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## TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on December 8, 2008, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, in Courtroom 850 of the above-entitled Court, the Honorable R. Gary Klausner presiding, located at 255 East Temple Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, Defendant The Republican National Committee ("RNC") will and hereby does move the Court pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for an order dismissing the Complaint, and each claim for relief contained therein, filed by Plaintiff Jackson Browne ("Browne").

This Motion is made following the conference of counsel pursuant to Central District Local Rule 7-3, which took place on October 6, 2008 and is made on the following grounds:

- 1. Browne's first and second claims for relief for Copyright Infringement and Vicarious Copyright Infringement, respectively, both under 17 U.S.C. § 106(4), fail as a matter of law under the fair use doctrine;
- 2. Browne's third claim for relief, for violation of Lanham Act § 43(a), 15 U.S.C. §1125(a), fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted for the following independent reasons:
  - a. The Lanham Act does not apply to political speech, such as that contained in the Political Video that is the subject of this action;
  - b. The claim is barred as a matter of law under the First Amendment and "artistic relevance" test;
  - c. The claim is barred because there can be no likelihood that consumers would be confused into believing that the Political Video that is the subject of this action was sponsored by or affiliated with Browne;
- 3. Browne's fourth claim for relief, for common law violation of Browne's right of publicity, fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted for the following independent reasons:

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I hereby certify that on November 17, 2008, I electronic

I hereby certify that on November 17, 2008, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of the filing to all counsel of record.

/s/ Sang N. Dang
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