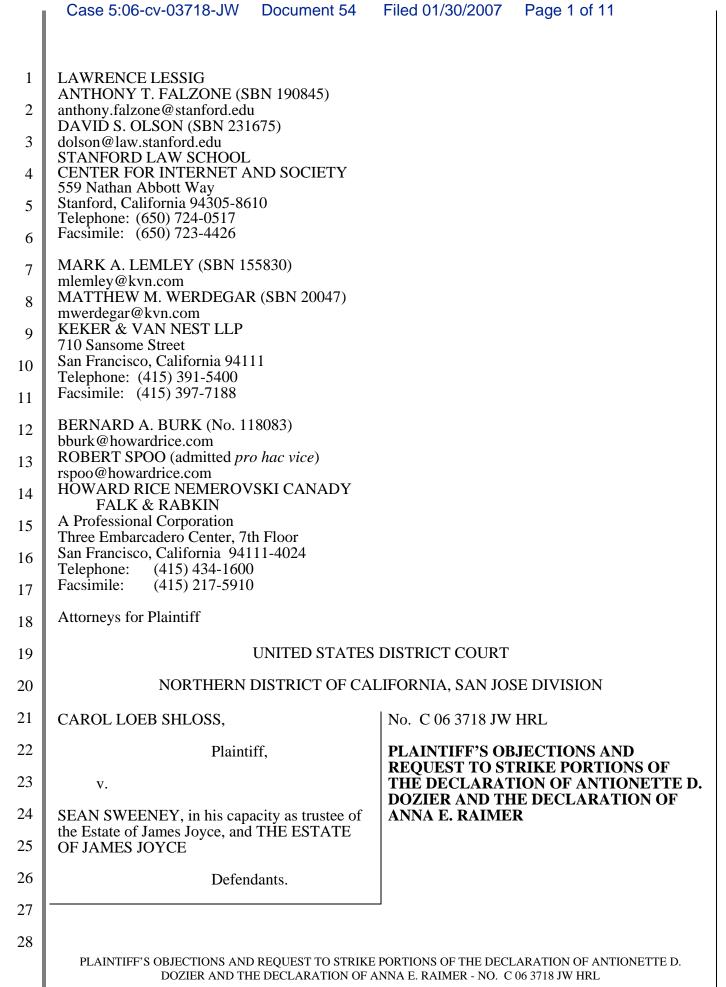
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Plaintiff Carol Loeb Shloss submits her Objections and Request to Strike portions of the Declaration of Antionette D. Dozier and the Declaration of Anna E. Raimer. Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), Rule 56(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Rules 401, 402, 403, 602, 1002, and 1003 of the Federal Rules of Evidence, Plaintiff hereby objects to portions of the Declaration of Antionette D. Dozier ("Dozier Declaration") and objects to the entirety of the Declaration of Anna E. Raimer ("Raimer Declaration") for the following reasons:

Plaintiff objects to paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Dozier Declaration with respect to Dozier's inappropriate legal analysis and speculation regarding the Court's reasoning and ruling. These paragraphs are objectionable due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and is also argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).

Plaintiff objects to the entirety of the Raimer Declaration under the "Best Evidence Rule." F.R.E. 1002, 1003. To the extent that the writings presented in Exhibit B were relevant and important to these proceedings, there is no justification made for an exception to the Best Evidence Rule (requiring an "original writing" or a "duplicate") F.R.E. 1002, 1003. The Raimer Declaration is inadmissible because it purports to bring into evidence the actual writings, but instead refers to quotes used by Plaintiff as they compare to the originals—thereby entering into evidence only portions of the original writings selected by (and with handwriting interpreted by) Raimer and Raimer's summary. The declaration is an objectionable substitute for "original writings" or "duplicates" of the original writings. F.R.E. 1002, 1003.

Plaintiff also objects to the entirety of the Raimer Declaration pursuant to Civil Local Rule 7-5(b). As Defendants themselves note, Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) provides that "[a]n affidavit or declarations may contain only facts, must conform as much as possible to the requirements of [Federal Rule of Civil Procedure] 56(e), and must avoid conclusions and argument." Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56(e) requires that the Raimer Declaration be made based on personal knowledge, set forth facts that would be admissible in evidence, and evidence counsel's competency to testify to the contents within. The Raimer Declaration is replete with conclusions, argument, and speculation regarding (among other things): other people's thoughts, Raimer's own opinion about PLAINTIFF'S OBJECTIONS AND REQUEST TO STRIKE PORTIONS OF THE DECLARATION OF ANTIONETTE D. DOZIER AND THE DECLARATION OF ANNA E. RAIMER - NO. C 06 3718 JW HRL

the need or usefulness of certain material in Plaintiff's book, Raimer's own opinion about the sufficiency of using portions of documents or summaries, Raimer's own opinion as to the character of material that was included or omitted, Raimer's own opinion regarding the relevance of materials, and Raimer's own opinion regarding the merits of literary and historical theories, descriptions, and conclusions made by Plaintiff in Plaintiff's writings. In the Raimer Declaration, Raimer blurred her role with that of a witness, and acted as an advocate throughout the declaration.

Plaintiffs offer the following more specific objections applicable to individual portions of the Raimer Declaration (note that the Best Evidence Rule is not reasserted for each section due to its applicability to the entire Raimer Declaration):

- 1. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 1" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e) and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 2. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 2" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "These same lines...do not add anything further for the reader." This statement is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403, and objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602.
- 3. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 3" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "[t]here appears to be no purpose to including this quote..." and "...she was not inhibited...." These statements are, inter alia, irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602.

- 4. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 4" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "Thus, any "threats" made ... could not have affected her decision." This statement is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e) and objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602.
- 5. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 6" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement with respect to the first three of four sentences. These sentences are, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 6. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 7" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement with respect to the allegation that the quote is redundant and that other statements "more specifically describe the family's financial status." This allegation is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 7. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 8" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 8. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 9" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.

- 9. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 10" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 10. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 11" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 11. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 12" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 12. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 13" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 13. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 14" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 14. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 15" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.

- 15. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 18" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for, inter alia, being argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 16. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 19" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "Shloss would add this quote for the proposition that the Joyces were 'baffled' to be invited to the wedding of Laurence Vail and Peggy Guggenheim. However, it does not make sense to cite this letter from January 1920 supposedly about Vail to support the proposition that Joyce did not know why he was invited to a wedding that occurred in March 1922. Even if Joyce did not know Vail in 1920, he could still have become familiar with him and Ms. Guggenheim in the 2 years prior to their wedding." This statement is, inter alia, objectionable due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and is also argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 17. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 21" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "The highlighted area simply makes Shloss's point more succinctly." This statement is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602
- 18. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 22" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "Once again, the inclusion of the entire allegedly omitted quote is unnecessary and would add nothing further to Shloss's analysis...The remainder of the quote that was not included is merely a description of a room and James Joyce's appearance, which adds nothing to Shloss's description of Lucia going to dancing classes -- the point of the paragraph." This statement is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.

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56(e), argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
20. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 27" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of

F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil

Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.

19. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 26" and

particularly objects to Raimer's statement as, inter alia, a conclusion in violation of F.R.C.P.

- 21. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 28" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602, a conclusion in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 22. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 29" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 23. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 30" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 24. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 31" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 25. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 33" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).

- 26. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 34" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602, a conclusion in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 27. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 35" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 28. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 37" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602, and argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 29. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 38" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 30. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 39" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602.
- 31. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 42" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602, and argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 32. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 44" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 33. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 47" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation PLAINTIFF'S OBJECTIONS AND REQUEST TO STRIKE PORTIONS OF THE DECLARATION OF ANTIONETTE D. DOZIER AND THE DECLARATION OF ANNA E. RAIMER NO. C 06 3718 JW HRL

- (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 34. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 48" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 35. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 50" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "This quote is unnecessary...The deletion makes the passage more fluid and the sentence read better." This statement is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602.
- 36. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 52" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602 and argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 37. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 53" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602.
- 38. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 54" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b), and F.R.E. 602 and argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 39. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 55" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).

- 40. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 56" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e) and objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 41. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 57" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 42. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 59" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.
- 43. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 60" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e).
- 44. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 63" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement, "Though the citation is to Finnegans Wake, the passage must be Shloss's own speculations since Giorgio did not visit Ivy on Sundays in Finnegans Wake. This omission of this quotation is therefore irrelevant." This statement is, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), objectional due to speculation (lack of personal knowledge) and opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602, a conclusion in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and irrelevant in violation of F.R.E. 401, 402, and/or 403.
- 45. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 64" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602.

46. Plaintiff objects to the portion of Raimer's Declaration relating to "Quote No. 67" and particularly objects to Raimer's statement for being, inter alia, argumentative in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), and objectional due to opinion testimony in violation of F.R.C.P. 56(e), Civil Local Rule 7-5(b) and F.R.E. 602. DATED: January 29, 2007 STANFORD LAW SCHOOL CENTER FOR INTERNET AND SOCIETY By: ___ Anthony T. Falzone Attorneys for Plaintiff **CAROL LOEB SHLOSS**

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