### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

VICKI L. PINERO, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,	] ]	CIVIL ACTION 08-3535
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Plaintiffs	]	JUDGE SARAH S. VANCE
VERSUS	]	MAG. 3
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JACKSON HEWITT TAX SERVICE	]	
INC.; JACKSON HEWITT INC.; and	]	
CRESCENT CITY TAX SERVICE,	]	
INC. D/B/A JACKSON HEWITT TAX	1	
SERVICE,	]	
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Defendants	]	
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# NOTICE OF AUTOMATIC STAY

## TO: VICKI L. PINERO AND PLAINTIFFS

Through their attorney Bryan C. Shartle Sessions, Fishman, Nathan & Israel, LLP Lakeway II, Suite 200 3850 North Causeway Boulevard Metairie, LA 70002 Via Facsimile: (504) 828-3737 JACKSON HEWITT TAX SERVICE, INC. AND JACKSON HEWITT, INC.

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AND

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*PLEASE TAKE NOTICE* that on September 9, 2009, a Voluntary Petition for Relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code was filed by **Crescent City Tax Service, Inc.,** in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, bearing **Case No. 09-12917** of the docket of said Court, and that, accordingly, under the provisions of Section 362(a) of the United States Bankruptcy Code, the filing of the Involuntary Petition operates as a stay, applicable to all entities, of –

- 1. the commencement or continuation, including the issuance or employment of process, of a judicial, administrative, or other action or proceeding against the debtor that was or could have been commenced before the commencement of the case under this title, or to recover a claim against the debtor that arose before the commencement of the case under this title;
- 2. the enforcement, against the debtor or against property of the estate, of a judgment obtained before the commencement of the case under this title;
- 3. any act to obtain possession of property of the estate or to exercise control over property of the estate;
- 4. any act to create, perfect, or enforce any lien against property of the estate;

- 5. any act to create, perfect, or enforce against property of the debtor any lien to the extent that such lien secures a claim that arose before the commencement of the case under this title;
- 6. any act to collect, assess, or recover a claim against the debtor that arose before the commencement of the case under this title;
- 7. the setoff of any debt owing to the debtor that arose before the commencement of the case under this title against any claim against the debtor; and
- 8. the commencement or continuation of a proceeding before the United States Tax Court concerning the debtor.

11 U.S.C. § 362 (Emphasis added).

Any actions taken in violation of the Automatic Stay Provisions of 11 U.S.C. §362(a)

could result in the entry of an order of contempt against you.

DATE: September 11, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

#### ADAMS AND REESE LLP

/s/Lisa Merz Hedrick

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the above and foregoing Notice of Automatic Stay has been served upon the below listed counsel of record by depositing a copy of same in the United States Mail, First Class, postage prepaid, and via facsimile where indicated below, on September

11, 2009, addressed as follows:

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> <u>/s/Lisa Merz Hedrick</u> Lisa Merz Hedrick