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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

Case No. 2:12-cv-00536-GMN-VCF

Motion to Release Certain Funds Held by

Plaintiff, Monitor AMG Services, Inc., et al.,

Consistent with prior orders in this case, the United States moves to have certain funds held by the court-appointed monitor Thomas W. McNamara (the "Monitor") in this action released to satisfy a stipulation and order entered by U.S. District Judge P. Kevin Castel in a related criminal forfeiture proceeding in *United States v. Tucker*, 16 Cr. 91 (PKC), in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "SDNY Action").

On November 30, 2016, the Court entered a Stipulated Order freezing certain assets of the defendant Scott Tucker, among others (the "Defendants"), in this action and appointing the Monitor. (ECF No. 1099). The Monitor was authorized to, among other things, preserve the value of the assets of the Defendants, conduct investigation and discovery to locate additional assets of the Defendants, sell assets of the Defendants when authorized by the Court, and collect money due or owing to the Defendants. As set forth in 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

the Court's Second Amended Order dated September 3, 2021 (ECF No. 1338), the Monitor is in the process of winding down the Monitorship and disposing of the assets in the Monitorship Estate, and the Monitorship Account held \$14,957,327.76 in net cash as of its most recent status report.

On June 9, 2021, a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Substitute Assets was entered in the SDNY Action (ECF No. 447) (the "SDNY Order") forfeiting all right, title and interest of Scott Tucker in certain assets currently in the possession, custody, and control of the Monitor (the "Substitute Assets"). The value of the Substitute Assets that have been liquidated by the Monitor is approximately \$17.3 million. The SDNY Order stated that, "to the extent the Substitute Assets are ordered released in [this] Action or the [Monitor] is terminated prior to entry of the Final Order of Forfeiture, the United States (or its designee) is hereby authorized to take possession of the Substitute Assets and to keep them in its secure custody and control." A copy of the SDNY Order is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

On November 9, 2021, a Stipulation and Order was entered in the SDNY Action (ECF No. 482) (the "SDNY Stipulation") among the United States, third-party petitioner MoloLamken LLP ("MoloLamken"), and third-party petitioner Kim Tucker, who is Scott Tucker's former wife, and several corporate entities Kim Tucker claims to currently own (collectively, the "Kim Tucker Parties."). Pursuant to the SDNY Stipulation, the United States acknowledged MoloLamken's superior interest in \$3,338,217.10 of certain of the Substitute Assets (the "Settlement Amount") and agreed to seek release of the Settlement Amount in this action to be transferred to MoloLamken. In addition, the Kim Tucker Parties consented to release of the Settlement Amount to MoloLamken. A copy of the SDNY Stipulation is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

The United States has consulted with the Monitor regarding this motion, and the Monitor has no objection to the granting of this motion and has agreed, upon entry of the accompanying proposed order, to transfer the Settlement Amount to MoloLamken pursuant to wire instructions provided by the United States.

## Conclusion Based on the above, this Court should grant the United States' motion to release the Settlement Amount and to have the Settlement Amount transferred to MoloLamken. Respectfully submitted this 19th day of November 2021. CHRISTOPHER CHIOU Acting United States Attorney /s/ Troy K. Flake Troy K. Flake Assistant United States Attorney Stephen R. Hanson II Assistant United States Attorney

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14	Defendants.			
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17	The Court has considered the United States' motion to have certain funds held by the			
18	court-appointed monitor Thomas W. McNam	ara (the "Monitor") in this action released to		
19	satisfy a stipulation and order entered by U.S.	District Judge P. Kevin Castel in a related		
20	criminal forfeiture proceeding in <i>United States v. Tucker</i> , 16 Cr. 91 (PKC), in the United			
21	States District Court for the Southern District	of New York.		
22	Accordingly,			
23	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the U	United States' [1363] Motion for Release of		
24	Funds Held by the Monitor is <b>GRANTED</b> . W	Vithin five days of the receipt of wire		
25	instructions provided by the United States, the	Monitor shall transfer \$3,338,217.10 from		
26	the Monitorship Account in this action to Mol	oLamken LLP.		
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**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the MoloLamken LLP's [1394] Motion, which requests the same relief, is **DENIED as moot**.

Dated this 27 day of July, 2022.

Gloria M. Navarro, District Judge UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT