THOMAS E. WINNER, ESQ. 1 Nevada Bar No. 5168 MATTHEW J. DOUGLAS, ESQ. 2 Nevada Bar No. 11371 PHIL W. SU, ESQ. 3 Nevada Bar No. 10450 ATKIN WINNER & SHERROD 4 1117 South Rancho Drive Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 5 Phone (702) 243-7000 Facsimile (702) 243-7059 6 Attorneys for GEICO Indemnity Company 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 10 GEICO INDEMNITY COMPANY, 11 Plaintiff, 12 VS. 13 GOLDSTEIN, Special **STEVEN** as 14 Administrator of the Estate of THOMAS JOSEPH MEYERS, and DOES I through V, 15 Defendants. 16 Consolidated With: 17 CAROLYN MARIE MANN, Individually 18 and as Special Administrator of the ESTATE OF DAVID ANTHONY MANN 19 and as Assignee of the claims of STEVEN GOLDSTEIN, as Special Administrator of 20 THE ESTATE OF THOMAS JOSEPH MEYERS, 21 Plaintiff, 22 VS. 23 GEICO INDEMNITY COMPANY, 24 25 Defendant. 26

CASE NO.: 2:15-cv-00340-APG-PAL

(Sub-Case 2:12-cv-02166-APG-CWH)

STIPULATION AND PROTECTIVE ORDER REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS PRODUCED BY PLAINTIFF/DEFENDANT GEICO INDEMNITY COMPANY

## STIPULATION TO PROTECTIVE ORDER

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between all parties: Plaintiff/Defendant GEICO

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Indemnity Company, Defendant Steven Goldstein, and Plaintiff Carolyn Mann, through their respective attorneys of record, as follows:

- The parties agree that certain documents and data produced in this litigation contain confidential information. A document containing confidential information shall be designated by marking the document with a watermark indicating "Proprietary or Confidential Information -Subject to Protective Order, Case No. 2:15-cv-00340-APG-PAL."
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this stipulation or by further order of the court, all documents designated confidential shall be used only for purposes of this litigation and shall be disclosed only to the parties and their attorneys (including secretarial and legal staff); and to any consultant retained by the parties as a potential or actual expert witness in this litigation. All such individuals who are given access to the Confidential Information must first agree to be bound by the terms of this Stipulation and Protective Order by signing the "Acknowledgement of Stipulated Protective Order," attached as **Exhibit A** to that Order.
- 3. For any deposition transcript that contains testimony concerning Confidential Information, or which includes any document containing Confidential Information that is marked as an exhibit, each such deposition shall be designated as "Subject to Protective Order, Case No. 2:15-cv-00340-APG-PAL" on the record during said deposition, placed under seal, and shall be subject to the terms of the Stipulated Protective Order.
- 4. When this litigation is concluded by judgment, settlement, dismissal or otherwise, the provisions of this protective order shall remain in effect and each such confidential document (and all copies thereof) shall be returned within forty-five (45) days of conclusion of the case to counsel for the party that produced the confidential document.
  - 5. All documents so marked confidential may be referred to or incorporated in briefs,

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# STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS <u>United State Federal District Court, District of Nevada</u> Case No.: 2:15-cv-00340-APG-PAL

The parties, Plaintiff/Defendant GEICO Indemnity Company; Defendant Steven Goldstein; and Plaintiff Carolyn Mann, by and through their respective counsel of record, acknowledge that certain documents produced in the subject consolidated action contain confidential information including, but not limited to, trade secrets; confidential research, development or commercial information; financial information; process and training materials; and other sensitive, non-public information (collectively, "Confidential Information").

The Court, being advised of the agreement of the parties to the entry of this Stipulated Protective Order, HEREBY ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- This Stipulated Protective Order shall apply to all confidential information, properly designated as described in Paragraph 4, which is produced in this litigation.
- 2. In connection with discovery proceedings in the Litigation, any party to the Litigation (the "Designating Party") shall have the right to designate as "Confidential" any testimony, documents, and other material containing Confidential Information, the disclosure of which in a manner other than that specified herein the Designating Party in good faith believes would present a significant risk of injury to the legitimate business interests of the disclosing party or a significant risk of injury to any other legitimate interest. Such Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, proprietary trade secrets; all materials reflecting, referring to or evidencing any information deemed confidential by local, state, or federal statute, ordinance, regulation, or other law; confidential non-public business plans or forecasts; confidential non-public financial plans and forecasts; all private or sensitive commercial, financial, personal or personnel information; confidential non-public underwriting and rating information; training manuals, guidelines and other proprietary process documentation; and confidential research and development information. Confidential Information also includes, but is not limited to, personal information such as a person's social security number, medical records, personnel file, bank records, tax records and other sensitive non-public information. Confidential Information may

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take the form of, but is not limited to, (a) documents, interrogatories, requests for admission, and answers and responses thereto; (b) transcripts of depositions and exhibits thereto; and (c) all copies, abstracts, excerpts, analyses, and complete or partial summaries prepared from or containing, reflecting, or disclosing such Confidential Information.

- 3. Confidential Information may be disclosed only to "Qualified Persons," as that term is defined in Paragraph 5 below, and used only in connection with this litigation and for no other purpose. All Qualified Persons receiving Confidential Information shall be bound by the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order.
- 4. Any document, material, or information to be designated as Confidential Information must be so designated by stamping or marking the document, material or information "Proprietary or Confidential Information Subject to Protective Order Case, No. 2:15-cv-00340-APG-PAL" or with a substantially compliant designation.
- 5. Confidential Information may be disclosed to or made available by counsel of record for the party receiving such information only to Qualified Persons. For the purpose of this Agreement, the term "Qualified Persons" means:
- (a) this Court (and any appellate court), including court personnel, jurors and alternate jurors;
  - (b) court reporters;
- (c) the named parties or the officers, employees, or principals of a party, who are actually assisting counsel in the consideration or prosecution of the claims, or the defense thereof, asserted in the Litigation;
- (d) counsel to the named parties to the Litigation, associate attorneys, paralegal, clerical, secretarial, and other staff employed by such counsel, or copy service personnel responsible for copying documents or materials in connection with the Litigation, who such counsel shall determine have a need to have access to such information; and
- (e) independent outside experts, advisors or consultants (other than employees, officers, or directors of any party) retained by counsel of record in the Litigation.

6. Prior to any disclosure of Confidential Information to any Qualified Person defined in paragraphs 5, counsel of record for the party proposing to make such disclosure shall ensure that a copy of this Stipulated Protective Order has been delivered to such person, and shall obtain that person's written agreement to be bound by the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order and consent to the Court's jurisdiction for purposes of enforcing this Stipulated Protective Order. The requirements of obtaining such written agreement may be satisfied by obtaining the signature of any such person on a copy of **Exhibit A** to this Stipulated Protective Order, after having had such person read this Stipulated Protective Order. Counsel of record for each party shall maintain a list of the names of all persons to whom such documents or information is disclosed.

- 7. All Qualified Persons who have received Confidential Information pursuant to this Stipulated Protective Order shall safeguard such information so as to avoid any disclosure of that information, except as provided in this Stipulated Protective Order.
- 8. Any party to the Litigation to whom Confidential Information is produced or disclosed may object to the "Confidential" designation. The objection shall be made in writing to counsel for the Designating Party. Counsel shall confer is good faith in an effort to resolve any dispute concerning such designation. Should the parties be unable to reach an agreement regarding any dispute concerning the "Confidential" designation, the party which designated the document as "Confidential" shall file a Motion with the Court to have the issue concerning the objection to the "Confidential" designation ruled upon. In the event of a motion concerning the designation of information as "Confidential," all materials the designation of which is so objected to shall continue to be treated as Confidential Information until the Court rules to the contrary.
- 9. The fact that a document or information has been designated as "Confidential" shall not create a presumption that the document or information is, in fact, confidential or is entitled to protection by this Protective Order. It shall be the burden of the party claiming the information is Confidential to prove to the satisfaction of the Court that it is Confidential and entitled to protection.
  - 10. Documents, depositions, or other materials designated as "Confidential" shall be used

by the persons receiving them only for the purpose of preparing for and conducting the Litigation. Any use or disclosure of such documents, materials or information for any other purposes is a direct violation of this Stipulated Protective Order.

- 11. All Confidential Information, and all copies thereof, shall be returned to counsel for the Designating Party producing such documents within forty-five (45) days after the final conclusion of the Litigation, including appeals. Counsel for the parties, may, within sixty (60) days following the final conclusion of the Litigation, including appeals, and with notice to the other parties who may object within seven (7) days thereof, withdraw all documents containing Confidential Information that have been filed with the Court to the extent permitted to do so by the Court and the Clerk of the Court.
- 12. The inadvertent production of any Confidential Information during discovery in this action without a designation as provided herein, or the inadvertent production of any document, material, or other information, not intended to be produced (e.g. due to a claim of privilege), shall be without prejudice to any later claim that it is Confidential Information, or should be withheld from production on the basis of privilege and no party shall be held to have waived future assertion of any rights by such inadvertent production. However, disclosure of the material by the other party prior to such designation is not a violation of this Protective Order.
- 13. Nothing in this Stipulated Protective Order shall prejudice the right of any party to make any use of or disclose to any person any material it has designated as Confidential Information, without prior court order, or to waive the provisions of this Stipulated Protective Order with respect to any Confidential Information.
- 14. Nothing in this Stipulated Protective Order shall constitute or be used by any party as an "admission by party opponent."
- 15. This Stipulated Protective Order does not control the treatment of Confidential Information at trial. The parties agree to address the treatment of Confidential Information at trial by appropriate request to the Court at the time of trial.
  - 16. The Federal District Court of Nevada shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this

Protective Order and decide any issues related to or arising from it. The provisions and terms of this Stipulated Protective Order shall survive the termination of the Litigation unless the Order is terminated or modified in writing by the parties or by further Order of this Court after notice and hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 27th day of October, 2015.

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### EXHIBIT A

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER

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In the United States District Court, District of Nevada, Case No. Case No: 2:15-cv-00340-APG-PAL Sub-Case No: 2:12-cv-02166-APG-CWH

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