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12	EDWARD B. DOUGLAS, an individual,	Case No. 2:17-cv-02134-APG-BNW
13	Plaintiff,	MOTION TO EXCUSE INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS FROM SETTLEMENT
14	VS.	CONFERENCE
	DREAMDEALERS USA, LLC d/b/a	
15	EXOTICS RACING, A Nevada limited liability company, DAVID PERISSET, an	
16	individual, and ROMAN THIEVIN, an individual,	
17	Defendants.	
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Defendants Dreamdealers USA, LLC d/b/a Exotics Racing, David Perisset, and Roman Thievin, by and through their counsel of record, Littler Mendelson, P.C., hereby respectfully submit their Motion to Excuse Individual Defendants from Settlement Conference.

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Defendants respectfully request that the Court excuse Individual Defendants Perisset and Thievin from the Settlement Conference scheduled for May 12, 2020, per ECF No. 69. Specifically, the Court's Order Scheduling Settlement Conference (ECF No. 69), schedules the Settlement Conference for May 12, 2020, and requires in-person attendance of, among others, "all individual parties" (ECF No. 69 at 2:2-4). On April 19, 2020, the Court issued a Minute Order in Chambers, modifying its Order Scheduling Settlement Conference to allow the Settlement

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Conference to take place telephonically. (See ECF No. 71). The remainder of the Order Scheduling Settlement Conference remains in place, however, including the requirement for all individual parties to participate. (See id.). Defendants now respectfully request that the Court excuse Individual Defendants Perisset and Thievin from participation in the Settlement Conference.

Defendants will be represented at the Settlement Conference by Wendy Medura Krincek, Esq. and Marcus B. Smith, Esq., Littler Mendelson, P.C., and by Corporate Counsel for Defendants, Ismail Amin, Esq. Also participating will be Elina Burke, Senior Claims Specialist for Chubb, Defendants' employment practices liability insurance carrier. These individuals will have settlement authority up to the full amount of the claim on behalf of all Defendants. In addition, these individuals are intimately familiar with the entirety of the facts, law, and history of this case.

Participation by Individual Defendants Perisset and Thievin will not substantially improve the utility of the Settlement Conference or the prospects of settlement. That is so because of the reasons set forth above, and because the insurance retention amount is exhausted and, as just stated, the insurer representative will be participating and will have full authority to resolve the matter for <u>all</u> of the named Defendants. Therefore, Defendants respectfully request that the Court excuse the Individual Defendants from participation in the May 12, 2020 Settlement Conference.

/s/ Marcus B. Smith

Dated: April 23, 2020

19 Respectfully submitted,

IT IS SO ORDERED

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BRENDA WEKSLER

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

1 **PROOF OF SERVICE** 2 I am a resident of the State of Nevada, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the 3 within action. My business address is 3960 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 300, Las Vegas, Nevada 4 89169. On April 23, 2020, I served the within document(s): 5 6 MOTION TO EXCUSE INIDIVUDAL DEFENDANTS FROM SETTLEMENT 7 **CONFERENCE** 8 By CM/ECF Filing – Pursuant to FRCP 5(b)(3) and LR 5-4, the above-referenced document was electronically filed and served upon the parties listed below through the Court's Case 9 Management and Electronic Case Filing (CM/ECF) system: 10 Dustin L. Clark Holley, Driggs, Walch, Fine, Puzey, Stein & 11 Thompson 400 South Fourth Street, Third Floor 12 Las Vegas, NV 89101 13 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on April 14 23, 2020, at Las Vegas, Nevada. 15 /s/Joanne Conti 16 Joanne Conti 17 18 4839-5726-8154.1 087825.1002 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 3.

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