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Honorable Steven M. Gold, U.S.M J United States District Court Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East, Chambers 1217 Brooklyn, New York 11201

> Re: Allstate Ins. Co. et al. v. Halima, et al. No. 06 CV 1316 (DLI) (SMG) Our File No. 14567

Dear Judge Gold:

We represent defendants Bernard Glassman and GB Associates, Inc. in the abovereferenced matter, which is scheduled for an initial conference on July 25, 2006 at 10:00 a m We write to request that the initial conference be adjourned because we have a conflict on the scheduled date. This is the first request for an adjournment of such conference. Plaintiffs' counsel has consented to the adjournment request. We have sought consent from counsel for the three other defendants who have appeared and have obtained the consent of two of them, Mitchell Elman, Esq., who represents defendant Andrew Lopedote, M.D. and Jude Roberto Cardenas, Esq., counsel for Dr. Krementsov. Dr. Clarke's attorney has not yet responded to our request for consent made yesterday morning.

As not all defendants have appeared as of yet, and as Mr. Glassman and GB Associates have filed a Rule 12(b)(6) motion to dismiss, which is currently being briefed, this request for adjournment will not affect any other scheduled dates.

While we are available for a rescheduled initial conference at the Court's convenience. we did wish to mention that we have determined from conferring with other counsel that August 9 and August 10 (after 2 p.m.) are times mutually available to us and to counsel for plaintiffs and defendants Drs Lopedote and Krementzov

We will await the Court's advice as to this adjournment request, and thank the Court for its attention to the matter

Respectfully submitted,

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