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## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING

STAN SCHIFF, M.D., Ph.D., and closs of similarly situated Washington health care providers,

Plaintiff.

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MAPFRE INS. GRP., d/b/a AMERICAN COMMERCE INSURANCE COMPANY and AMERICAN COMMERCE INSURANCE COMPANY WEST, a/k/a, COMMERCE WEST INSURANCE COMPANY, foreign insurance companies,

Defendants.

NO. 14-2-11309-9SEA

STIPULATED MOTION TO AMEND PRELIMINARY APPROVAL ORDER

-AND-

PROPOSED

**ORDER** 

## **STIPULATION**

Plaintiff and Defendants stipulate as follows:

1. The court entered its Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement and Directing Notice to the Class, and Setting Date for Fairness Hearing ("Preliminary Approval Order") on October 27, 2014. The Preliminary Approval Order preliminarily approved the Stipulation of Settlement ("Agreement") entered by the parties and filed with the Court on October 17, 2014,

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- 2. Paragraph 15 of the Preliminary Approval Order set a deadline for Class Members who wished to object to the Settlement to do so "no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Final Settlement Hearing."
- 3. However, the parties in the Agreement agreed that Class Members may have until "not later than 20 days before the date set for the Final Settlement Hearing" to make any objections. See Agreement ¶ 61.
- 4. The deadline for objections in the Agreement allows Class Members an additional 10 days to make any objections beyond the deadline set in the Preliminary Approval Order, and therefore is more favorable to Class Members and provides additional time for them to exercise their rights to object.
- 5. The parties agree that the deadline for objections in the Preliminary Approval Order should be amended to conform to the agreed-upon deadline for objections in the Agreement, which is more favorable to Class Members. Specifically, the parties agree paragraph 15 of the Preliminary Approval Order should be amended at lines 13-15 to state as follows: "...provided, however, that no person shall be heard with respect to, or shall be entitled to contest the foregoing matters by objection unless, no later than thirty (30) twenty (20) days prior to the Final Settlement Hearing, that person has properly filed with the Clerk of the Court, and served..."
- 6. For the foregoing reasons, the parties respectfully request that the Court enter the Amended Preliminary Approval Order submitted herewith, which makes the proposed change to paragraph 15. No other changes have been made to the proposed Amended Preliminary Approval Order.

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