1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Carney R. Shegerian, State Bar No. 150461 CShegerian@Shegerianlaw.com Anthony Nguyen, State Bar No. 259154 ANguyen@Shegerianlaw.com SHEGERIAN & ASSOCIATES, INC. 11520 San Vicente Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90049 Telephone Number: (310) 860-0770 Facsimile Number: (310) 860-0771 Attorneys for Plaintiff ARTHUR BAGDASARYAN, individually, and on behalf of all others similarly situated	
8	[Additional counsel next page]	
9	SUPERIOR COURT OF TH	HE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
10	COUNTY OF LOS ANGE	LES, CENTRAL DISTRICT
11		,
12	ARTHUR BAGDASARYAN, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated,	Case No.: 20STCV25666
13	,,	[Assigned for all purposes to the Hon. Lawrence P. Riff in Dept. SS7]
14	Plaintiffs,	SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND
15	WOODBURY UNIVERSITY, a California	RELEASE
16	corporation; and DOES 1 through 100 inclusive,	
17	Defendants.	Complaint Filed: July 6, 2020 FAC Filed: March 22, 2021
18		
19 20		
21		
22		
23		
24		
25		
26		
27		
28		
	Paş	ge 1
	Page 1 STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS	

1	Richard D. Robins SBN 77923
2	Brent G. Cheney SBN 180429 Suzie S. Vardanyan SBN 322714
3	PARKER, MILLIKEN, CLARK, O'HARA & SAMUELIAN APC
4	515 S. Figueroa St., 8 th Floor Los Angeles, California 90071-3325
5	Telephone: (213) 683-6500
6	Facsimile: (213) 683-6669 bcheney@pmcos.com
7	Attorneys for Defendant
8	WOODBURY UNIVERSITY
9	
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
22	
23	
24	
25	
26	
27	
28	
	Page 2 STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS

STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, by and among Plaintiff Arthur Bagdasaryan, on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class Members on the one hand ("Plaintiff" or "Bagdasaryan"), and Defendant Woodbury University (the "University"), collectively with Plaintiff, the "Parties," on the other hand, subject to the approval of the Court, that the Action is hereby being compromised and settled pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Class Action Settlement Agreement ("Agreement"), and subject to the definitions, recitals and terms set forth herein, which by this reference become an integral part of this Agreement.

On or about July 6, 2020, Plaintiff Arthur Bagdasaryan filed a class action lawsuit against Defendant Woodbury University in the Los Angeles Superior Court, County of Los Angeles, Case No. 20STCV25666, captioned, *Bagdasaryan v. Woodbury University*. This suit alleged damages related to the University's transitioning in-person instruction and a physical campus to purely an online remote format in the Spring 2020 semester 2020 because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

After conducting some formal discovery, the Parties agreed to some additional informal discovery and to participate in a mediation, which was conducted on October 12, 2023 by the Scott Markus, Esq. of Signature Resolution.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. "Action" means the lawsuit initially filed by Plaintiff on July 6, 2020 in the Court, entitled *Bagdasaryan v. Woodbury University*, LASC Case No. 20STCV25666.
- 2. "Certified Class Amount" means the entire Settlement Class Members, which is certified as 1,160 Woodbury undergraduate and graduate students (1,050 undergraduate plus 110 graduate students) during the Class Period.
- 3. "Class Counsel" means Carney R. Shegerian, Anthony Nguyen, and Cheryl A. Kenner of Shegerian & Associates, Inc.
- 4. "Class Counsel Award" means attorneys' fees for Class Counsel's litigation and resolution of this Action, as well as costs incurred in connection with the Action. The Class Counsel Award shall be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount after Court approval.

- 5. "Class Information" means information regarding Settlement Class Members that Defendant will in good faith compile from its records and provide to the Settlement Administrator. It shall be formatted as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet and shall include: each Settlement Class Member's full name; last known mailing address; last known email address; last known primary and alternate telephone number; and the Class Position during the Class Period.
- 6. "Class Member(s)" means all undergraduate and graduate students who paid or were obligated to pay tuition, fees, or others costs to attend in-person classes at either Woodbury University campus (i.e., either the Burbank, California campus or San Diego, California campus), excluding both (a) students that did not pay any tuition or fees (other than parking fees) and (b) faculty members, staff, and their respective dependents, for the Class Period.
- 7. "Class Notice" and "Notice" mean the Notice of Pendency of Class Action Settlement, including the Notice of Estimated Individual Settlement Payment, (substantially in the form attached as **Exhibit A**) in English.
- 8. "Class Period" means the period from March 13, 2020 through May 16, 2020 (i.e., Woodbury's Spring 2020 semester when in-person learning was not available).
- 9. "Class Position" means one of the four combinations of study levels and statuses that each Class Member will be designated as, which are as follows: (1) full-time undergraduate student, (2) part-time undergraduate student, (3) full-time graduate student, and (4) part-time graduate student.
- 10. "Class Release" and "Released Claims" mean all claims, rights, demands, liabilities, and causes of action, whether statutory, in tort, contract or otherwise, alleged in the any of Plaintiff's complaints in this Action or that could have been reasonably alleged based on the facts pleaded by Plaintiff or any other Participating Class Member in the Action, arising during the Class Period from March 13, 2020 through May 16, 2020 (i.e., Woodbury's Spring 2020 semester when in-person learning was not available), including but not limited to any and all actual, potential, filed, known or unknown, fixed or contingent, claimed or unclaimed, suspected or unsuspected, claims, demands, liabilities, rights, causes of action, contracts, agreements, extra contractual claims, unfair or unlawful business practices in violation of California Business and

28

Professions Code § 17200, et seq., damages, whether general, specific, punitive, exemplary or multiplied damages, expenses, costs, attorneys' fees and or obligations, whether in law or in equity, accrued or unaccrued, direct, individual or representative, of every nature and description whatsoever, whether based on state, federal, local, statutory or common law or any other law, rule or regulation, against the Released Parties, or any of them, arising out of any facts, transactions, events, matters, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, representations, omissions or failures to act regarding Woodbury University's actions, inactions and/or decisions with respect to COVID-19 policies and procedures for the Spring 2020 Semester, including but not limited to transitioning from in-person instruction and other in-person services or opportunities of any kind or nature (e.g., educational, recreational, employment, extracurricular, etc.) to a remote format during the Spring 2020 Semester, including but not limited to all claims that were brought or could have been brought in the Action by any of the Releasing Parties relating to any and all of the Released Parties. "Class Release" and "Released Claims" also means and includes any claims, rights, demands, liabilities, damages, wages, benefits, expenses, penalties, debts, obligations, attorneys' fees, costs, any other form of relief or remedy in law, equity, or whatever kind or nature, and causes of action that could potentially arise from the receipt of any monies as a result of this Settlement by any member of the Settlement Class.

- 11. "Class Representative Enhancement Award" means the amount that the Court authorizes to be paid to Plaintiff in addition to his General Release Payment and Individual Settlement Payment, in recognition of his efforts and work in prosecuting the Action on behalf of the Class Members. Subject to the Court granting final approval of this Settlement Agreement, and subject to the exhaustion of any and all appeals, Plaintiff will request Court approval of the Class Representative Enhancement Payment of Three Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$3,000.00).
- 12. "Court" means the Superior Court of the State of California, for the County of Los Angeles.
 - 13. "Defendant" means Woodbury University.

14.	"Defense Counse	l" means	Richard	D. Robins,	Brent	G. Cheney,	and	Suzie S
Vardanvan of	Parker, Milliken,	Clark, O'l	Hara & Sa	muelian, A	Profess	ional Corpo	ration	1.

- 15. "Effective Date" means the date the Court's order approving the settlement and judgment thereon ("Judgment") becomes final. For purposes of the Settlement Agreement, the Court's Judgment "becomes final" upon the later of: (i) if no appeal is filed, the expiration date of the time for the filing or noticing of any appeal from, or other challenge to, the Court's Judgment (i.e., 61 calendar days after notice of entry of the Court's Judgment); (ii) the date on which the time for any appeal arising from any objection filed by a Class Member to the settlement has passed, if one or more objections to the settlement are filed, and (iii) if an appeal is taken, the date on which any reviewing court issues a decision, the time for further appeal has expired, and the trial court has regained jurisdiction.
- 16. "General Release Payment" means the amount to be paid to Plaintiff as consideration for his general release of all claims arising out of his enrollment at Woodbury University. Subject to the Court granting final approval of this Settlement Agreement and subject to the exhaustion of any and all appeals, Plaintiff will request Court approval of General Release Payments of Two Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$2,000.00).
- 17. "Gross Settlement Amount" means Two Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Dollars Eight Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Zero Cents (\$298,833.00).
- 18. "Individual Settlement Payment" means the amount payable from the Net Settlement Amount to each Settlement Class Member who does not submit a valid Request for Exclusion from this Settlement.
- 19. "Net Settlement Amount" and "NSA" mean the Gross Settlement Amount less Class Counsel Award of Attorneys' Fees and Costs, Class Representative Enhancement Award, General Release Payment, and Settlement Administrator Costs.
- 20. "Participating Class Member" means any Settlement Class Member who does not opt out of the Settlement by submitting a valid and timely Request for Exclusion.
- 21. "Parties" means Plaintiff and Defendant, collectively, and "Party" shall mean either Plaintiff or Defendant.

- 22. "Plaintiff" and "Class Representative" mean Arthur Bagdasaryan.
- 23. "Released Parties" means Woodbury University as well as any and all of its respective present or past heirs, executors, estates, administrators, predecessors, successors, assigns, parent companies, subsidiaries, licensors, licensees, associates, affiliates, employees, agents, consultants, independent contractors, insurers, including without limitation employees of the foregoing, directors, trustees, board members, managing directors, officers, partners, principals, members, attorneys, accountants, financial and other advisors, underwriters, shareholders, lenders, auditors, investment advisors, legal representatives, successors in interest, assigns and companies, firms, trusts, corporations, and all third party service providers or entities identified as Woodbury University's agents and/or independent contractors in this Action.
- 24. "Releasing Parties" means Plaintiff and all Participating Class Members, as well as any and all of their respective heirs, executors, estates, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns.
- 25. "Request for Exclusion" means a Settlement Class Member's signed, written request to be excluded or to "opt out" of the Settlement.
- 26. "Response Deadline" means the date forty-five (45) calendar days after the Settlement Administrator mails the Notice to Settlement Class Members and the last date on which Settlement Class Members may postmark written Requests for Exclusion, disputes to Class Position, or a Notice of Objection to the Settlement. For Settlement Class Members who are sent re-mailed Class Notices, the "Extended Response Deadline" shall mean forty-five (45) calendar days from the date the Settlement Administrator re-mails the Notice of Settlement to Class Members but not later than sixty (60) calendar days from the Response Deadline. The Extended Response Deadline is the last date on which Settlement Class Members who are sent re-mailed Class Notices may postmark written Requests for Exclusion, disputes to Class Position, or a Notice of Objection to the Settlement.
 - 27. "Settlement" means the disposition of the Action pursuant to this Agreement.
- 28. "Settlement Administration Costs" means the amount to be paid to the Settlement Administrator from the Gross Settlement Amount for administration of this Settlement, not to

exceed Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000) but currently estimated at Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Zero Cents (\$13,915.00), subject to good faith quotes obtained by Class Counsel.

- 29. "Settlement Administrator" means RG/2 Claims Administration LLC, or any other third-party class action settlement administrator agreed to by the Parties and approved by the Court for the purposes of administering this Settlement.
- 30. "Settlement Class Members" means all Class Members regardless of whether they have submitted a Request for Exclusion.

RECITALS

31. <u>Procedural History</u>. On July 6, 2020, Plaintiff filed a class action complaint in the Action against Defendant alleging the following causes of action: (1) breach of contract; (2) unjust enrichment; (3) conversion; and (4) violation of California's Unfair Competition Law ("UCL"), Business and Professions Code §§ 17200, *et seq*. Following the Parties' meet and confer efforts, on March 22, 2021, Plaintiff filed a First Amended Class Action Complaint against Defendant in the Action alleging the following causes of action: (1) breach of contract; (2) unjust enrichment; and (3) violation of California's Unfair Competition Law ("UCL"), Business and Professions Code §§ 17200, *et seq*. Defendant denies each and every one of the allegations asserted in Plaintiff's operative complaint.

Following formal discovery, the Parties agreed to mediate this Action in an effort to avoid the high cost of litigation and on the condition that Defendant would provide sufficient information to allow Class Counsel to conduct a thorough evaluation of the claims and damages at issue in this case. Defendant produced certain information pursuant to a confidentiality agreement, including, but not limited to, classwide statistics and receipt of funds, financials (financial statements for years ending 2017, 2018, and 2019), promotional materials distributed to prospective undergraduate and graduate students, and undergraduate and graduate course catalogs.

Following an exchange of informal discovery and additional investigation of all claims, the Parties participated in a private mediation with the experienced and respected mediator, Scott

Markus, Esq. of Signature Resolution on October 12, 2023. The Parties settled as to all material terms for this Settlement in the weeks following the mediation with the mediator's assistance.

While Defendant is confident of a positive outcome on the merits, it has concluded that the future costs and expenses involved in continuing litigation would be significant. For that reason, Defendant has agreed to a settlement to eliminate any further expenses, attorneys' fees, and risks associated with further litigation of this Action.

Class Counsel has conducted a thorough investigation into the facts of the Actions, including a thorough review of relevant documents, and has diligently pursued an investigation of the claims of the Class against Defendants. Based on their own independent investigation and evaluation, Class Counsel are of the opinion that the Gross Settlement Amount is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interest of the Class in light of all known facts and circumstances.

32. <u>Class Certification</u>. The Parties stipulate and agree to the certification of this Action for purposes of this Settlement only. Should the Settlement not become final and effective as herein provided, class certification shall immediately be set aside and the Settlement Class immediately decertified. The Parties' willingness to stipulate to class certification as part of the Settlement shall have no bearing on, and shall not be admissible in or considered in connection with, the issue of whether a class should be certified in a non-settlement context in this Action and shall have no bearing on, and shall not be admissible or considered in connection with, the issue of whether a class should be certified in any other lawsuit.

That said, in the event the Settlement fails to be approved or otherwise fails to be consummated for any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to the Judgment not becoming final, then Defendant retains all rights and defenses previously available to it, and any provisional certification of any class, or the adoption of any procedure or any ruling made pursuant to the terms contained herein, shall be undone and the Parties restored to their pre-settlement status as if no settlement had been reached and no decisions were made pursuant to it, except as otherwise expressly provided herein. In that event, nothing in this Settlement Agreement or other papers or proceedings related to the settlement shall be used as evidence or argument by any party, including

any Settlement Class Members who opt out, concerning whether or not the Action may properly be maintained as a class action pursuant to California state law.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT

- 33. <u>Class Release</u>. It is the desire of the Class Representative, Participating Class Members, and Defendant to fully, finally and forever settle, compromise, and discharge, to the maximum permitted by law, all disputes and claims arising from or related to this Action. Upon full funding of the Gross Settlement Amount, except as to such rights or claims as may be created by this Settlement Agreement, all Class Members who do not submit a valid and timely written Request of Exclusion, fully release and discharge the Released Parties from all Released Claims during the Class Period.
- 34. <u>Tax Liability</u>. The Parties make no representations as to the tax treatment or legal effect of the payments called for hereunder, and Settlement Class Members shall not rely on any statement or representation by the Parties or by the Settlement Administrator in this regard.
 - a. Withholding and Reporting Requirements. The Settlement Administrator shall be responsible for ensuring that all taxes associated with the Agreement are properly calculated and timely paid to the appropriate tax authorities. To verify the Settlement Administrator's compliance with the foregoing reporting requirements, as soon as administratively practicable, the Settlement Administrator shall furnish Defense Counsel with copies of all forms detailing the payment of taxes (including all 1099 returns) sufficient to prove that such payments were properly remitted. The Settlement Administrator shall provide, if Defendant so chooses, a final accounting adequate to demonstrate full compliance with all tax withholding, payment and reporting obligations.
 - b. No Tax Advice. Each Participating Class Member shall be responsible for any local, state, or federal taxes that may be assessed or owing with respect to the proceeds from this settlement that Class Members receive. Neither Defendant, Plaintiff, Class Counsel, nor Defense Counsel intend anything contained in this Settlement to constitute legal advice regarding the taxability of any amount

27

28

1

paid hereunder, nor shall anything in this Settlement be relied upon as such. Participating Class Members agree to make no claims against Defendant for any payment or non-payment of taxes or regarding or relating to the reporting of the payment described in this Agreement, if any, to any taxing authorities.

- c. <u>Circular 230 Disclaimer</u>. Each Party to this Agreement (for purposes of this section, the "Acknowledging Party" and each Party to this Agreement other than the Acknowledging Party, an "Other Party") acknowledges and agrees that (1) no provision of this Agreement, and no written communication or disclosure between or among the Parties or their attorneys and other advisers, is or was intended to be, nor shall any such communication or disclosure constitute or be construed or be relied upon as, tax advice within the meaning of United States Treasury Department circular 230 (31 CFR part 10, as amended); (2) the Acknowledging Party (a) has relied exclusively upon his, his or its own, independent legal and tax counsel for advice (including tax advice) in connection with this Agreement, (b) has not entered into this Agreement based upon the recommendation of any other party or any attorney or advisor to any Other Party, and (c) is not entitled to rely upon any communication or disclosure by any attorney or adviser to any Other Party to avoid any tax penalty that may be imposed on the Acknowledging Party; and (3) no attorney or adviser to any Other Party has imposed any limitation that protects the confidentiality of any such attorney's or adviser's tax strategies (regardless of whether such limitation is legally binding) upon disclosure by the Acknowledging Party of the tax treatment or tax structure of any transaction, including any transaction contemplated by this Agreement.
- 35. <u>Notice and Preliminary Approval of Settlement</u>. As part of this Settlement, Plaintiff will request that the Court: (a) grant preliminary approval of the Settlement, (b) certify a Settlement Class, (c) approve distribution of Notice to Settlement Class Members, and (d) grant final approval of the Settlement. Plaintiff shall request a hearing before the Court to obtain

preliminary approval of the Settlement. In conjunction with the hearing, Plaintiff will submit this Agreement, which sets forth the terms of this Settlement, and will include a proposed Notice, as necessary to implement the Settlement.

- 36. <u>Settlement Administration</u>. Within ten (10) calendar days after the Court grants preliminary approval of this Agreement, Defendant shall provide to the Settlement Administrator with the Class Information for purposes of mailing the Notice to Settlement Class Members.
 - Notice by Email with Follow-Up First Class U.S. Mail with Business Reply Mail Postage. Within ten (10) business days after receiving the Class Information from Defendants as provided herein, the Settlement Administrator shall transmit the Class Notice via email to all Class Members with a valid email address or else mail the Class Notice to the last known mailing address provided following a search based on the National Change of Address Database to update and correct any known or identifiable address changes. For all Settlement Class Members for whom Defendant was unable to provide an email address, or for whom the email notice bounced back and the Settlement Administrator was unable to successfully re-send the email to the last known or alternate email addresses, the Settlement Administrator shall perform skip traces for those mailing addresses and then transmit the Class Notice of those Settlement Class Members via regular First-Class U.S. Mail. In the event the transmission of email results in a bounce-back email, the Settlement Administrator shall, if possible, correct any issues that may have caused the bounce-back email to occur and make a second attempt to re-send the email notice. If no alternate email address is located, then within seven (7) business days after receiving bounce-back emails from invalid email addresses, the Settlement Administrator shall mail copies of the Class Notice to all Settlement Class Members via regular First-Class U.S. Mail. The Settlement Administrator shall exercise its best judgment to determine the current mailing address for each Settlement Class Member who will receive a Class Notice by U.S. Mail. The address identified by the Settlement Administrator as the current mailing address

shall be presumed to be the best mailing address for each Settlement Class Member.

- b. Undeliverable First-Class U.S. Mail Notices. Any Notice sent by First-Class U.S. Mail that is returned to the Settlement Administrator as undeliverable on or before the Response Deadline shall be re-mailed to the forwarding address affixed thereto. If no forwarding address is provided, the Settlement Administrator shall promptly attempt to determine a correct address by use of skip-tracing, or other search using the name, address and/or Social Security number of the respective Settlement Class Member, and shall then perform a re-mailing, if another mailing address is identified by the Settlement Administrator. If a Settlement Class Member's Notice is returned to the Settlement Administrator more than once as non-deliverable on or before the Response Deadline, then an additional Notice need not be re-mailed and the Settlement Class Member is deemed to have received Notice. The Settlement Administrator shall email a Settlement Class Member's Notice upon request and proper verification by the Settlement Class Member or his or his counsel, provided a valid email address is given.
- c. <u>Re-mailed Notices</u>. In the event the Settlement Administrator re-mails a Notice to a Settlement Class Member, the Settlement Administrator will update the Response Deadline on the re-mailed Notice to reflect the applicable Extended Response Deadline or else will include a cover letter indicating the applicable Extended Response Deadline.
- d. <u>No Claim Form Necessary</u>. All Settlement Class Members who do not request to be excluded from the Settlement will receive Individual Settlement Payments from the Net Settlement Amount; submission of a claim form is not necessary to receive an Individual Settlement Payment. The estimated Individual Settlement Payments will be stated in the Notice. This Settlement is non-reversionary.

- e. <u>Disputes Regarding Individual Settlement Payments</u>. Settlement Class Members will have the opportunity, should they disagree with Defendants' records regarding their assigned Class Position, to provide documentation and/or an explanation to correct the information and seek modification of their estimated Individual Settlement Payments. The Class Members' designated Class Positions provided by Defendant shall be presumed to be correct, unless the Settlement Class Member provides documentation and/or an explanation to show otherwise. A Settlement Class Member challenging his or her Class Position must submit his or her dispute by the Response Deadline.
 - i. If there is a dispute by a Class Member to his or his designated Class Position, the Settlement Administrator will timely notify the Parties and request that Defendant confirm that the disputing Settlement Class Member's assigned Class Position is accurate, or, alternatively, warrants reassignment. Defendant agrees to provide confirmation of the disputing Settlement Class Member's Class Position to the Settlement Administrator within five (5) court days of receiving notification of the dispute.
 - ii. The Settlement Administrator retains the ultimate authority to determine the eligibility for and amount of any Individual Settlement Payment under the terms of this Agreement, and this determination shall be final and binding upon the Settlement Class Members and Parties.
- f. <u>Disputes Regarding Administration of Settlement</u>. Any disputes not resolved concerning the administration of the Settlement will be resolved by the Court, under the laws of the State of California. Prior to any such involvement of the Court, counsel for the Parties will confer in good faith to resolve the disputes without the necessity of involving the Court.

Requests for Exclusion. The Notice shall state that the Settlement Class g. Members who wish to exclude themselves from the Settlement must submit a written Request for Exclusion by the Response Deadline or, if applicable, Extended Response Deadline. The written Request for Exclusion may be transmitted to the Settlement Administrator via email or regular mail and: (1) must contain the name, address, telephone number and the last four digits of the Social Security number of the person requesting exclusion; (2) must be signed by the Settlement Class Member; (3) must be timestamped (for email) or postmarked (for U.S. Mail) by the Response Deadline and returned to the Settlement Administrator at the applicable specified address; and (4) must clearly state as follows: "I request to be excluded from the Class in Bagdasaryan v. Woodbury University, LASC Case No. 20STCV25666, and understand I will receive nothing." If a signed Request for Exclusion is not timely submitted stating the name and address of the Settlement Class Member, it will not be deemed valid for exclusion from this Settlement. The date of the timestamp or postmark on the return mailing envelope of the Request for Exclusion shall be the exclusive means used to determine whether the Request for Exclusion was timely submitted. However, for Requests for Exclusion via U.S. mail, if the date of the postmark is illegible, the Settlement Administrator shall take the earliest postmark date of other items it receives in the mail that day. Any Settlement Class Member who requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class will not be entitled to any recovery under the Settlement and will not be bound by the terms of the Settlement or have any right to object, appeal, or comment thereon. Settlement Class Members who fail to submit a valid and timely written Request for Exclusion on or before the Response Deadline shall be bound by all terms of the Settlement and any Judgment entered in this Action, if the Settlement receives final approval by the Court and the Settlement is not nullified pursuant to paragraph 43 below.

- i. No later than twenty-one (21) calendar days after the Response Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall provide counsel for Defendant with a complete list of the names of all Settlement Class Members who have timely submitted written Requests for Exclusion. Defendant also agrees to provide Plaintiff and/or the Court the names of those Settlement Class Members who timely request exclusion from the Settlement if ordered by the Court for purposes of approving the Settlement or facilitating the administration of the Settlement.
- ii. On a weekly basis, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the parties with a weekly reporting including the total valid and timely Requests for Exclusion, as well as notice of any disputes to a Settlement Class Member's Class Position.
- h. Objections. The Class Notice shall state that Settlement Class Members who wish to object to the Settlement may email or mail to the Settlement Administrator a written statement of objection ("Notice of Objection") by the Response Deadline. The date of the timestamp of the email or the postmark on the return envelope shall be the exclusive means for determining that a Notice of Objection was timely submitted. However, for objections sent via U.S. Mail, if the date of the postmark is illegible, the Settlement Administrator shall take the earliest postmark date of other items it receives in the mail that day. The Notice of Objection must be signed by the Settlement Class Member and state: (1) the full name, address, and telephone number of the Settlement Class Member; (2) the last four digits of the Settlement Class Member's Social Security number; (3) the basis for the objection; and (4) whether he/she intends to appear at the final approval hearing. However, a failure to express an intention of appearing or an intention of not appearing at the final approval hearing shall not preclude the Settlement Class Member from being heard at the final approval hearing. Class Counsel shall include all objections received and Plaintiff's response(s) with Plaintiff's motion

for final approval of the Settlement. Class Counsel shall not represent any Settlement Class Members with respect to any such objections.

- i. <u>No Solicitation of Settlement Objections or Exclusions</u>. The Parties agree to use their best efforts to carry out the terms of this Settlement. At no time shall any of the Parties or their counsel seek to solicit or otherwise encourage Settlement Class Members to submit either Notices of Objection to the Settlement or Requests for Exclusion from the Settlement, or to appeal from the Court's Final Judgment.
- j. Class Members Who Submit Both a Settlement Objection and Exclusion: If a Settlement Class Member submits a timely Objection and a timely Request for Exclusion, the Settlement Administrator shall contact the Settlement Class Member to determine whether the Settlement Class Member wishes to participate in the Settlement but interpose an Objection or whether the Class Member wishes to be excluded from the Settlement. In the event the Settlement Administrator cannot reach the Class Member to clarify the situation, the later-postmarked Request for Exclusion or Objection shall be deemed valid and operative; and if the Request for Exclusion and Objection bear the same postmark date, the Objection shall be deemed valid and operative.
- 37. Funding and Allocation of Gross Settlement Amount. Within thirty (30) calendar days of the Effective Date, Defendants shall provide the Gross Settlement Amount to the Settlement Administrator. Payments from the Gross Settlement Amount shall be made, as specified in this Agreement and approved by the Court, for: (1) Individual Settlement Payments to Participating Class Members who do not request to be excluded, (2) Class Representative Enhancement Award, (3) Class Counsel Award, and (4) the Settlement Administration Costs.
 - a. <u>Gross Settlement Amount</u>. The Gross Settlement Amount was calculated with, and is premised on, the understanding that the Class comprises approximately 1,160 Settlement Class Members during the Class Period, defined herein as the Certified Class Amount. If the actual number of Settlement Class Members exceeds the Certified Class Amount by 5% or more, then the Gross

Settlement Amount shall be increased proportionately based on the ultimate actual number of Settlement Class Members as further described in Paragraph 39 below..

- Individual Settlement Payments. Individual Settlement Payments will be b. paid from the Net Settlement Amount and shall be paid pursuant to the terms set forth herein. Within fourteen (14) calendar days after Defendant provides funds to the Settlement Administrator for disbursement under this Agreement, the Settlement Administrator shall digitally distribute Individual Settlement Payments to each Settlement Class Member via the email(s) on file or as provided or, if no email address is available, then the Settlement Administrator shall mail a check by regular First-Class U.S. Mail to the respective Settlement Class Member's last known mailing address. Participating Class Members will be provided with a number of digital payment options such as PayPal, Venmo, or a digital debit card, to immediately receive their Individual Settlement Payments. Class Representative and Class Counsel represent that the Individual Settlement Payments will be allocated as follows: 100% as restitution, which shall not be subject to tax withholding and will not be reported on any IRS Form. Woodbury and Defense Counsel make no representation or warranty with respect to the nature or tax withholding of the Individual Settlement Payments, and whether such payments should be reported on any IRS Form Any checks issued to Settlement Class Members shall remain valid and negotiable for one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of their issuance.
- c. <u>Calculation of Individual Class Settlement Payments</u>. The Settlement Administrator shall calculate the value of each Settlement Class Member's Individual Settlement Payment and each Participating Class Member's Individual Settlement Payment. Individual Settlement Payments shall be distributed to Class members based on class level (undergraduate or graduate) and status (full-time or part-time). That is, each participating Class member will receive a pro rata cash award from the Net Settlement Amount ("NSA"). The pro rata cash award, or

28

1

2

3

Individual Settlement Payment, will be calculated and distributed based on their class position. The four class positions are full-time undergraduate Class members, part-time undergraduate Class members, full-time graduate Class members, and part-time graduate Class members. The NSA shall be divided among the class positions as follows: Full-time undergraduate Class members shall receive 92.00% of the NSA, Part-time undergraduate Class members shall receive 2.35% of the NSA, Full-time graduate Class members shall receive 5.5% of the NSA, and Parttime graduate Class members shall receive 0.15% of the NSA. These respective allocations shall be divided up equally among members based on their class position. For instance and hypothetically, 92% of the estimated NSA of \$179,222.22 is \$164,884.44, which shall then be divided up equally among the estimated 991 full-time undergraduate Class members, yielding 991 payments of \$166.38 to each full-time undergraduate Class member, assuming none opts out of the settlement. In the event a Class member designated as either a part-time undergraduate Class member, full-time graduate Class member, or part-time graduate Class member opts out of the settlement, the value of his or her share shall shift upwards to the class position ranked one level above. The tiered class positions are ranked as follows:

Rank of Class Position	Percent Allocation of NSA
1. Full-time undergraduate Class members	92.00%
2. Part-time undergraduate Class members	2.35%
3. Full-time graduate Class members	5.5%
4. Part-time graduate Class members	0.15%

For instance, if a part-time undergraduate Class member opts out, the value of that Class member's Individual Settlement Payment shall be redirected for distribution to all participating Class members in the full-time undergraduate Class member position. This redirected distribution will effectively alter the respective class positions' shares of the NSA.

- d. <u>Second Notice and Uncashed Settlement Checks</u>. If settlement checks remain uncashed after one hundred and thirty (130) calendar days from their issuance, then:
 - i. Plaintiff and/or the Settlement Administrator shall seek a court order requiring Defendant to provide the Settlement Administrator, in addition to the Class Information, the social security number of any Class Member whose settlement check remains uncashed at that time (the "Further Class Information Court Order") in accordance with Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), and specifically 20 United States Code Service § 1232g(b)(2)(B);
 - ii. The Settlement Administrator then shall send any Class Member whose settlement check remains uncashed at that time a reminder postcard, in English, advising them to cash the check or request a replacement check, and, in accordance with FERPA, expressly notifying them that if the check or replacement check remains uncashed, pursuant to the Further Class Information Court Order, Defendant has been ordered to disclose that student's social security number to the Settlement Administrator; and
 - iii. The Settlement Administrator shall tender any funds represented by Individual Settlement Payment checks returned as undeliverable and Individual Settlement Payment checks remaining uncashed for more than one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days after issuance, plus any accrued interest in the Settlement Administrator's qualified settlement fund that has not otherwise been distributed, to the California State Controller's Office's Unclaimed Property Division in the name of the Participating Class Member.
- e. <u>Class Representative Enhancement Award</u>. Subject to Court approval, in exchange for his time, effort, and risk in bringing and prosecuting this matter, Plaintiff Arthur Bagdasaryan shall be paid up to Three Thousand Dollars and Zero

Cents (\$3,000.00), subject to Court approval. The Class Representative Enhancement Award shall be paid to Plaintiff from the Gross Settlement Amount no later than fourteen (14) calendar days after Defendant provides funds to the Settlement Administrator for disbursement under this Agreement. Any portion of the requested Class Representative Enhancement Award that is not awarded to the Class Representative shall be part of the Net Settlement Amount and shall be distributed to Settlement Class Members as provided in this Agreement. The Settlement Administrator shall issue an IRS Form 1099-MISC to Plaintiff for his Class Representative Enhancement Award. Plaintiff shall be solely and legally responsible to pay any and all applicable taxes on his Class Representative Enhancement Award and shall hold harmless Defendant and the Released Parties from any claim or liability for taxes, penalties, or interest arising as a result of the Class Representative Enhancement Award. The Class Representative Enhancement Award shall be in addition to the Plaintiff's Individual Settlement Payment as a Settlement Class Member.

f. General Release by Plaintiff. In exchange for the release of all Released Claims and the General Release, Plaintiff Arthur Bagdasaryan shall be paid up to Two Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$2,000.00), subject to Court approval, which is for agreeing to personally release, in addition to the Class Release, any and all complaints, claims, liabilities, obligations, promises, agreements, controversies, damages, costs, losses, debts and expenses (including attorneys' fees and costs actually incurred), of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to the claims made in this Action, claims arising from the California Constitution, breach of implied contract or for claims of a breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing, as well as any other express or implied covenant, or any other statute or common law principle of similar effect, known or unknown, which Plaintiff may have against any Released Parties to this Action arising from any acts, events, or circumstances occurring on or before the effective date of this

27

28

Settlement Agreement. As to the foregoing claims, Plaintiff expressly waives the benefits of California Civil Code section 1542, which provides:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HIS FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HIS, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HIS SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

Class Counsel Award. Defendant agrees not to oppose or object to any g. application or motion by Class Counsel for attorneys' fees not to exceed one-third of the Gross Settlement Amount, which is currently Ninety-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eleven Dollars and Zero Cents (\$99,611.00) of the Gross Settlement Amount. If the Gross Settlement Amount increases, Class Counsel's attorneys' fees will increase accordingly to preserve the one-third recovery ratio. Defendant also agrees not to oppose any application or motion by Class Counsel for the reimbursement of actual costs of up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$15,000.00), subject to submission of itemized costs to the Court, associated with Class Counsel's prosecution of this Action from the Gross Settlement Amount, and Class Counsel agrees not to appeal any award of attorneys' fees or costs. Any portion of the requested Class Counsel Award that is not awarded to Class Counsel shall be part of the Net Settlement Amount and distributed to Settlement Class Members as provided in this Agreement. So long as there are no objections, Class Counsel shall be paid any Court-approved fees and costs no later than fourteen (14) calendar days after Defendants provide funds to the Settlement Administrator for disbursement under this Agreement. Class Counsel shall be solely and legally responsible to pay all applicable taxes on the payment made pursuant to this paragraph. The Settlement Administrator shall issue an IRS Form 1099-MISC to Class Counsel for the payments made pursuant to this paragraph. This Settlement is not contingent upon the Court awarding Class Counsel any particular amount in attorneys' fees and costs.

- h. <u>Settlement Administration Costs</u>. The Settlement Administrator shall be paid for the costs of administration of the Settlement from the Gross Settlement Amount. The capped cost of administration for this Settlement is Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000) but currently estimated at Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Zero Cents (\$13,915.00). The Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with a declaration to support the cost of administration. The Settlement Administrator shall be paid the Settlement Administration Costs no later than fourteen (14) calendar days after Defendants provide funds to the Settlement Administrator for disbursement under this Agreement. The Settlement Administrator, on Defendants' behalf, shall have the authority and obligation to make payments, credits and disbursements, including in the manner set forth herein, to Settlement Class Members and the Internal Revenue Service, calculated in accordance with the methodology set out in this Agreement and orders of the Court.
 - i. The Parties agree to cooperate in the Settlement Administration process and to make all reasonable efforts to control and minimize the cost and expenses incurred in administration of the Settlement. The Parties each represent they do not have any financial interest in the Settlement Administrator or otherwise have a relationship with the Settlement Administrator that could create a conflict of interest.
 - ii. The Settlement Administrator shall be responsible for: processing and mailing payments and associated 1099 forms or other tax forms to Plaintiff, Class Counsel, Settlement Class Members, the Internal Revenue Service, California State Treasury, the Unclaimed Property Division of the California State Controller Office, and/or any other appropriate government authorities, including forwarding all taxes, contributions, and

withholdings to the appropriate government authorities. The Settlement Administrator shall also be responsible for printing, and mailing the Notice to the Settlement Class Members, as directed by the Court; receiving and reporting the Requests for Exclusion and Notices of Objection submitted by Settlement Class Members; properly calculating and completing all tax reporting, withholdings, and payments to the Internal Revenue Service and/or appropriate tax authorities on a timely basis; providing declaration(s) and reports as necessary in support of preliminary and final approval of this Settlement and upon completion of this Settlement; and other tasks as the Parties mutually agree or the Court orders the Settlement Administrator to perform both before and after distribution of the Gross Settlement Amount. The Settlement Administrator shall keep the Parties timely apprised of the performance of all Settlement Administrator responsibilities.

iii. No person shall have any claim against Defendant, Defense Counsel, Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, Class Counsel or the Settlement Administrator based on distributions and payments made in accordance with this Agreement.

38. <u>Declarations by Settlement Administrator</u>. The Settlement Administrator shall submit a declaration in support of Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary Approval of this Settlement detailing its qualifications, experience, and estimated costs for administration of this Settlement. The Settlement Administrator shall submit a declaration in support of Plaintiff's Motion for Final Approval of this Settlement detailing the number of Notices mailed and re-mailed to Settlement Class Members, the number of undeliverable Notices, the number of timely Requests for Exclusion, the number of timely and late objections received, if any, the amount of the average Individual Settlement Payment and maximum and minimum Individual Settlement Payments, the Settlement Administration Costs, and any other information as the Parties mutually agree or the Court orders the Settlement Administrator to provide. If the Motion for Final Approval is filed

prior to the Response Deadline, the Settlement Administrator shall, if requested to do so, submit a Supplemental Declaration following the Response deadline, updating the information set forth above. Upon distribution of settlement funds to all recipients, within thirty (30) days after the check stale date, the Settlement Administrator shall submit to Class Counsel a Declaration of Compliance detailing the payment of all settlement funds, including the number of checks negotiated and corresponding dollar value, the number of checks not negotiated and corresponding dollar value, the completion of the forwarding of the value(s) of the uncashed checks to the Unclaimed Property Division, and the payment of funds to Class Counsel.

- 39. Increase to the Gross Settlement Amount. Because Plaintiff has relied on the Defendant's representation that the Certified Class Amount is fixed at 1,160 Class Members in agreeing to settle the Action at the given value—which yields a certain per-student average—if that 1,160 turns out to be larger, the result would dilute that per-student average. As such, to protect the Participating Class Members from an unacceptable degree of dilution, if the actual number of Settlement Class Members exceeds 5% of the Certified Class Amount, then the Gross Settlement Amount shall be increased proportionately based on the actual number of Settlement Class Members. For instance, if the actual number of Settlement Class Members is 1,220 (which exceeds 5% of the Certified Class Amount), then the Gross Settlement Amount shall be increased proportionally by the corresponding percentage difference between the Certified Class Amount and the actual number of Settlement Class Members, which would be an additional \$15,456.87 for a total Gross Settlement Amount of \$313,774.65.
- 40. <u>Final Settlement Approval Hearing and Entry of Final Judgment</u>. Upon expiration of the Response Deadline, with the Court's permission, a Final Approval/Settlement Fairness Hearing shall be conducted to determine final approval of the Settlement along with the amount properly payable for (i) the Class Counsel Award, (ii) the Class Representative Enhancement Award, (iii) the General Release Payment), (iv) Individual Settlement Payments, and (v) the Settlement Administration Cost. Upon granting final approval of the Settlement, the Court shall also enter a Final Judgment and Order implementing the Releases set forth in paragraphs 10, 23, 24, and 33 of this Agreement, as well as the General Release by Plaintiff contained in paragraph

7

1011

13

12

1415

16

17

18

19 20

21

22

2324

25

2627

28

37(f) of this Agreement as to Plaintiff. Settlement Class Members shall be provided with notice of the Final Judgment and Order under California Rule of Court 3.771(b), and the Settlement Administrator shall include with each settlement award a notice on the check stub advising the Class Members that the Court entered a Final Judgment, the date of the Judgment, and that Class Members may obtain a copy of the Judgment upon request from the Settlement Administrator. Pursuant to California Rule of Court 3.769(h), after granting final approval, the Court shall retain jurisdiction over the Parties to enforce the terms of the Judgment.

41. Omitted Class Members. If additional individuals not originally included on the Class List provided to the Settlement Administrator are discovered after Class Notices have been distributed and no later than ten (10) calendar days before Plaintiff is ordered to file his Motion for Final Approval, Defendant shall, in good faith, immediately make a determination as to whether those individuals should be deemed Settlement Class Members and entitled to participate in the Settlement. If Defendant determines that the omitted individual is a Settlement Class Member, the third-party administrator shall mail the individual a Class Notice as provided in paragraph 35 and recalculate the Individual Settlement Payments of all Settlement Class Members by the formula set forth herein to include the additional Individual Settlement Payment for that Omitted Class Member. The Omitted Class Member will have until the calendar day before Individual Settlement Payments are mailed by the third-party administrator as provided in paragraph 36 of this Agreement to submit a Request for Exclusion or Objection. If additional individuals not originally included on the Class List are discovered later than thirty-five (35 days) before the Effective Date, those individuals shall not be deemed Settlement Class Members, will not receive payment, and will not release claims against Defendant or Released Parties. In the event there is a dispute regarding the Omitted Class Member's Class Position, the provisions of paragraphs 26 and 36(e) of this Agreement shall govern the dispute.

42. Revocation of Settlement Agreement. Defendants, at their sole discretion, shall have the right but not the obligation to revoke the Settlement Agreement if twenty (20) or more of the Class Members timely submit a valid Request for Exclusion from the Class. Defendant shall exercise its revocation rights, if at all, within fourteen (14) days of the Response Deadline

9

11 12

13 14

15

16

17

18

19

20 21

22

23

24 25

26

27

28

by providing written notice to Class Counsel. In the event Defendant elects to revoke the settlement under this provision, Defendant shall be solely responsible for any and all Settlement Administration Costs incurred.

- 43. Nullification of Settlement Agreement. In the event: (i) the Court does not enter an order for preliminary approval; (ii) the Court does not enter an order for final approval; (iii) the Court does not enter a Final Judgment, (iv) the Effective Date is not triggered, (v) Defendant elects to revoke the Settlement Agreement pursuant to paragraph 42, or (vi) the Settlement does not become final, this Settlement Agreement shall be null and void and any order or judgment entered by the Court in furtherance of this Settlement shall be treated as void from the beginning. In such case, Defendant shall not make any payment under this Agreement, and the Parties shall proceed in all respects as if this Agreement had not been executed, except that any fees already incurred by the Settlement Administrator shall be paid by Plaintiff, on one hand, and Defendant, on the other hand, in equal shares, except for the scenario in (v) described in the preceding sentence. For avoidance of doubt, the preceding sentence applies to all instances the Settlement Agreement is nullified except for the event in which Defendant elects to revoke the Settlement Agreement pursuant to paragraph 42, because in that instance, Defendant shall be solely responsible for all fees already incurred by the Settlement Administrator. If Defendant, however, fails to fully fund the Settlement, Defendant shall be solely responsible for any fees already incurred by the Settlement Administrator.
- 44. <u>Publicity</u>. The Parties and their counsel agree that they will not issue any press releases or initiate any contact with the media about the fact, amount, or terms of the settlement. If counsel for either party receives an inquiry about the settlement from the media or other attorneys, counsel may respond only after the motion for preliminary approval has been filed and only by confirming the accurate terms of the settlement. Nothing in this provision shall prevent Defendant from making any required disclosure.
- 45. No Admission by Defendants. Defendants deny any and all claims alleged in this Action and denies all wrongdoing whatsoever. This Agreement is not a concession or admission

of any liability or wrongdoing by Defendants, and it shall not be used against Defendants as an admission with respect to any claim of fault, concession or omission by Defendants.

- 46. <u>Exhibits and Headings</u>. The terms of this Agreement include the terms set forth in the attached exhibit, which is incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. The exhibit to this Agreement is an integral part of the Settlement; however, the terms of this Agreement control in case of conflict. The descriptive headings of any paragraphs or sections of this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only.
- 47. <u>Interim Stay of Proceedings</u>. The Parties agree to stay all proceedings in the Action, except such proceedings necessary to implement and complete the Settlement, pending the Final Approval/Settlement Fairness Hearing to be conducted by the Court.
- 48. <u>Amendment or Modification</u>. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by counsel for all Parties or their successors-in-interest and also must be approved by the Court.
- 49. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes, including **Exhibit A**, the entire Agreement among these Parties, and no oral or written representations, warranties or inducements have been made to any Party concerning this Agreement or its exhibit other than the representations, warranties and covenants contained and memorialized in the Agreement and its exhibit.
- Authorization to Enter into Settlement Agreement. Counsel for the Parties warrant and represent they are expressly authorized by the Party whom they each represent to negotiate this Agreement and to take all appropriate actions required or permitted to be taken by such Parties pursuant to this Agreement to effectuate its terms, and to execute any other documents required to effectuate the terms of this Agreement. The Parties and their counsel will cooperate with each other and use their best efforts to effect the implementation of the Settlement. In the event the Parties are unable to reach an agreement on the form or content of any document needed to implement the Settlement, or on any supplemental provisions that may become necessary to effectuate the terms of this Settlement, the Parties may seek the assistance of the Court to resolve such disagreement. The person signing this Agreement on behalf of Defendants represent and

warrants that he/he is authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of Defendants. The person signing this Agreement on behalf of Plaintiff represents and warrants that he/he is authorized to sign this Agreement and that he/he has not assigned any claim, or part of a claim, covered by this Settlement to a third-party.

- 51. <u>Binding on Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors or assigns of the Parties hereto, as previously defined.
- 52. <u>California Law Governs</u>. All terms of this Agreement and the exhibit hereto shall be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the State of California.
- 53. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts. All executed counterparts together shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument.
- 54. This Settlement Is Fair, Adequate and Reasonable. The Parties believe this Settlement is a fair, adequate and reasonable settlement of this Action and have arrived at this Settlement after extensive arm's-length negotiations, taking into account all relevant factors, present and potential.
- 55. <u>Jurisdiction of the Court</u>. In accordance with California Rule of Court 3.769(h), the Parties agree that the Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to the interpretation, implementation and enforcement of the terms of this Agreement and all orders and judgments entered in connection therewith, and the Parties and their counsel hereto submit to the jurisdiction of the Court for purposes of interpreting, implementing and enforcing the Settlement embodied in this Agreement and all orders and judgments entered in connection therewith.
- 56. <u>Invalidity of Any Provision</u>. Before declaring any provision of this Agreement invalid, the Court shall first attempt to construe the provisions valid to the fullest extent possible consistent with applicable precedents so as to define all provisions of this Agreement valid and enforceable.

[SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE]

1	PLAINTIFF
2	Arthur Baadasaruan
3	Date: 4/22/2024 Arthur Bagdasaryan (Apr 22, 2024 17:18 PDT) Arthur Bagdasaryan
4	
5	CLASS COUNSEL
6	SHEGERIAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.
7	Date: 4/22/2024
8	Anthony Nguyen Attorneys for Plaintiff
9	ARTHUR BAGDASARYAN
10	
11	DEFENDANT
12	Data
13	Date: Dr. Barry Ryan,
14	President of Woodbury University
15	DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL
16	PARKER, MILLIKEN, CLARK, O'HARA &
17	SAMUELIAN, A Professional Corporation
18	Date:
19	Brent G. Cheney Attorneys for Defendant WOODBURY UNIVERSITY
20	WOODBURY UNIVERSITY
21	
22	
23	
24	
25	
26	
27	
28	
20	Page 30
	Page 30 STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS 8165425v.1

1	*	PLAINTIFF
2	, and the second	
3	Date:	Arthur Bagdasaryan
4		
5		CLASS COUNSEL SHEGERIAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.
6		
7	Date:	
8		Anthony Nguyen Attorneys for Plaintiff
9		ARTHUR BAGDASARYAN
10	V.	DEFENDANT
11	2	DEFENDANT
12	Date: 4/22/24	Dr. Key Ky
13	/ /	Dr. Barry Ryan, President of Woodbury University
14		management server and the community of t
15	MI.	DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL
16		PARKER, MILLIKEN, CLARK, O'HARA & SAMUELIAN, A Professional Corporation
17		n
18	Date: April 22, 2024	Pront G. Chonox
19		Brent G. Cheney Attorneys for Defendant WOODBURY UNIVERSITY
20		WOODBOK! ON VERDI!!
21		
22		
23		
24		
25		
26		