Declaration Attachment 6

- I, Allen Felahy, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a member of the firm of Felahy Law Group. I am submitting this declaration in support of my firm's application for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses in connection with services rendered in the above-entitled action, pursuant to the Court's order of <u>August 10</u>, 2012.
- 2. The firm is counsel of record for plaintiff <u>Sam Balooch</u>. Our firm was not appointed lead counsel in this consolidated MDL. I have not ever been paid or reimbursed any fees or expenses in this case as of the filing of this document.
- 3. The identification and background of my firm and its partners is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 4. The following information regarding the firm's time and expenses is taken from time and expense printouts prepared and maintained by my firm in the ordinary course of business. I am the attorney who oversaw and/or conducted the day-to-day activities in the litigation and who reviewed these printouts (and backup documentation where necessary or appropriate). The purpose of these reviews was to confirm both the accuracy of the entries on the printouts as well as the necessity for and reasonableness of the time and expenses committed to the litigation. As a result of these reviews, reductions were made to both time and expenses either in the exercise of billing judgment or to conform to the firm's guidelines and policies regarding certain expenses such as charges for hotels, meals, and transportation. As a result of these reviews and adjustments, I believe that the time reflected in the firm's lodestar calculation and the expenses for which payment is sought are reasonable in amount and were necessary for the effective and efficient prosecution and resolution of the litigation.
- 5. The total number of hours spent on this litigation by my firm is 150.50. The total lodestar amount for attorney/paraprofessional time based on the firm's current rates is \$59,647.50. The hourly rates shown below are the usual and customary rates charged for each individual. A breakdown of the lodestar is as follows:

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NAME		HOURS	RATE	LODESTAR
Allen B. Felahy	(P)	56.70	495	\$28,066.50
Oscar Ramirez	(P)	37.50	395.00	\$14,812.50
Boris Sorsher	(A)	53.10	295.00	\$15,664.50
Joseph T. Sniezek	(OC)	3.20	345.00	\$1,104.00
TOTAL		150.50		\$59,647.50

⁽P) Partner

6. My firm seeks an award of \$1,589.30 in expenses which were reasonably and necessarily committed to the prosecution of the litigation. They are broken down as follows:

EXPENSES

From Inception to May 21, 2012

EXPENSE CATEGORY	TOTAL
Photocopies (in-house: 2170 copies @ \$0.25 per page)	\$542.50
Postage & Delivery	\$141.80
Filing, Witness & Other Fees	\$905.00
TOTAL	\$1,589.30
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7. The following is additional information regarding certain of these expenses:

(a) Filing, Witness and Other Fees: \$905.00

DATE	VENDOR
6/29/2010	One Legal LLC (complaint filing fee)
	Amount: \$905

- 8. The expenses pertaining to this case are reflected in the books and records of this firm. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, check records and other documents and are an accurate record of the expenses.
- 9. I submit that the time and expense submission included in this Declaration were incurred in this litigation. I request that the Court award my firm \$_59,647.50 in attorneys' fees and \$1,589.30 in expenses reimbursement for a total of \$61,236.80.

⁽A) Associate

⁽OC) Of Counsel

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 16th day of <u>August</u>, 2012, at Long Beach, CA.

ALLEN FELAHY

EXHIBIT A

IDENTIFICATION OF THE FIRM AND ITS COUNSEL

- 1. Since its inception in 1998, Felahy Law Group (formerly Felahy and Associates) has aggressively litigated more than 1,000 cases in Southern California, and its employment and business litigation attorneys pride themselves in standing at the top of their profession in terms of skills, integrity, and rate of success, with an average trial/arbitration award in excess of \$250,000.
- 2. Allen B. Felahy is the founding partner of Felahy Law Group who is admitted to practice before all of the Courts of this State. Mr. Felahy is highly experienced in civil litigation and class actions practice. Mr. Felahy has been practicing law since 1998 and has successfully litigated numerous Federal and State law actions through trial. Indeed, his success as a trial lawyer have been well documented in the Daily Journal, Los Angeles Times, Long Beach Press Telegram, and other regional newspapers; as he has obtained substantial and significant judgments/orders for his clients, several of which have exceeded the million dollar threshold. Many of the aforementioned actions were multiparty or class action wage and hour matters. Due to his expertise, Mr. Felahy was invited to be a contributing editor to the (2009-2010) CEB California Wage and Hour Compliance and Litigation Manual. He accepted the invitation and edited a portion of that CEB guide. Mr. Felahy has also successfully certified numerous class action cases and has been found by state and federal judges alike to be "qualified, experienced and generally able to conduct the proposed litigation."
- 3. Oscar Ramirez is a partner of Felahy Law Group who is admitted to practice before all of the Courts of this State. Mr. Ramirez is highly experienced in civil litigation and class actions practice. Mr. Ramirez has been practicing law since 2005 and has successfully litigated numerous Federal and State law actions through trial. Mr. Ramirez is also a certified

mediator. He serves as a volunteer mediator for the Los Angeles Superior Court's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) program

- 4. Mr. Joseph T. Sniezek, Esq., who is of counsel for Felahy Law Group, has over 14 years of experience as an employment law attorney and has proven track record of success in complex multi-party employment law matters. Mr. Sniezek is admitted to practice before all of the Courts of this State
- 5. Mr. Boris Sorsher, has five years of litigation experience and has recently been promoted to a junior partner. Mr. Sorsher has successfully litigated Federal and State law actions through trial. Mr. Sorsher is admitted to practice before all of the Courts of this State