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May 29, 2018

Via Certified Mail – Return Receipt Requested

Town of Bluffton 20 Bridge Street Bluffton, SC 29910

RE: Lisa Sulka vs. C.C. "Skip" Hoagland and Domains New Media, LLC Name: Lisa Sulka Case No.: 2017-CP-07-01547

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find our records subpoena requesting that you produce to us a <u>complete</u> copy of your records on Lisa Sulka by June 14, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Prior to preparing these copies, please notify us of the cost should it exceed \$75.00. Please be advised that said copies should be made pursuant to S.C. Code § 38-77-341. Additionally, please enclose a letter certifying that the materials produced are, in fact, a complete copy of your file on Lisa Sulka.

A copy of the subpoena and cover letter you have received has been served on all counsel of record, as listed below, or the Plaintiff if proceeding without counsel. The time for objections under Rule 45 of the South Carolina General Statue is fourteen (14) days (or by the date of the subpoena if the subpoena requests records to be produced in less than fourteen days).

We would request that you not send us the records any sooner than fourteen days after the date of this subpoena so as to afford Lisa Sulka time to object under the rules. Should this office receive notice of an objection, we will notify you and we will ask that you await resolution of the matter by the courts. Again, provided no objection is filed within fourteen days, please provide the records to our office by **June 14, 2018, at 2:00p.m.**

Please return with your records the enclosed **Affidavit of Records Custodian**, certifying that the records provided in response to this subpoena are, a complete and accurate copy of Lisa Sulka's records.

Thank you for your time and attention to this request and please give me a call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

EWER LAW FIRM, LLC Barrett R. Brewer

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Enclosures

cc: Daniel E. Henderson, Esq. (Via e-mail w/enclosures) John E. Parker, Esq. (Via e-mail w/enclosures) Charles Russ Keep, III, Esq. (Via e-mail w/enclosures)

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ISSUED BY THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN THE COUNTY OF BEAUFORT

Lisa Sulka, Plaintiff

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SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM IN A CIVIL CASE

C.C. "Skip" Hoagland and Domains New Media, LLC. Defendants

Case Number: 2017-CP-07-01547

Pending in Beaufort County

TO: Town of Bluffton **20 Bridge Street** Bluffton, SC 29910

□ YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear in the above-named court at the place, and time specified below to testify in the above case.

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YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear at the place, date, and time specified below to testify at the taking of a deposition in the above case. DATE AND TIME

PLACE OF DEPOSITION

☑ YOU ARE COMMANDED to produce and permit inspection and copying of the following documents or objects in your possession, custody or control at the place, date and time specified below: SEE ATTACHMENT "A"

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PLACE	DATE AND TIME
BREWER LAW FIRM, LLC	June 14, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.
Post Office Box 1847	
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465	
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ANY SUBPOENAED ORGANIZATION NOT A PARTY TO THIS IS HEREBY DIRECTED TO RULE 30(b)(6). SOUTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, TO FILE A DESIGNATION WITH THE COURT SPECIFYING ONE OR MORE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, OR MANAGING AGENTS, OR OTHER PERSONS WHO CONSENT TO TESTIFY ON ITS BEHALF, SHALL SET FORTH, FOR EACH PERSON DESIGNATED, THE MATTERS ON WHICH HE WILL TESTIFY OR PRODUCE DOCUMENTS OR THINGS. THE PERSON SO DESIGNATED TESTIFY AS TO MATTERS KNOWN OR REASONABLY AVAILABLE TO THE ORGANIZATION

I CERTJFY THAT THE SUBPOENA IS ISSUED IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 45(c)(1), AND THAT NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY RULE 45(b)(1) HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ALL PARTIES.

BREWER LAW FIRM, LLC

Barrett R. Brewer, Esg. Post Office Box 1847 Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465 Phone:(843) 779-7454

May 29, 2018 Date

Barrett R. Brewer Print Name

Attorney for Defendants

30 PROOF OF SERVICE		
SERVED	DATE May 29, 2018	FEES AND MILEAGE TO BE TENDERED TO WITNESS UPON
	PLACE: Town of Bluffton	DAILY ARRIVAL
		YES NO AMOUNT \$
	: Custodian of Records – 20 Bridge Street	MANNER OF SERVICE: Certified Mail – Return Receipt
Bluffton, Sout	th Carolina, 29910	Requested
SERVED BY	Melissa Carlton	TITLE: Paralegal
DECLARATION OF SERVER		
I certify that the foregoing information contained in the Proof of Service is true and correct.		
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Post Office Box 1847		
		Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465
		ADDRESS OF SERVER

Rule 45, South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedures, Parts (c) and (d):

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(c) Protection of Persons Subject to Subpoenas.

(1) A party or an attorney responsible for the issuance and service of a subpoena shall take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to that subpoena. The court on behalf of which the subpoena was issued shall enforce this duty and impose upon the party or attorney in breach of this duty an appropriate sanction, which may include, but is not limited to, lost earnings and a reasonable attorney's fee.

(2)(A) A person commanded to produce and permit inspection and copying of designated electronically stored information, books, papers, documents or tangible things, or inspection of premises need not appear in person at the place of production or inspection unless commanded to appear for deposition, hearing or trial. A party or an attorney responsible for the issuance and service of a subpoena for production of books, papers and documents without a deposition shall provide to another party copies of documents so produced upon written request. The party requesting copies shall pay the reasonable costs of reproduction.

(B) Subject to paragraph (d)(2) of this rule, a person commanded to produce and permit inspection and copying may, within 14 days after service of the subpoena or before the time specified for compliance if such time is less than 14 days after service, serve upon the party or attorney designated in the subpoena written objection to inspection or copying of any or all of the designated materials or of the premises—or to producing electronically stored information in the form or forms requested. If objection is made, the party serving the subpoena was issued. If objection has been made, the party serving the subpoena may, upon notice to the person commanded to produce, move at any time in the court that issued the subpoena for an order to compel the production. Such an order to compel production shall protect any person who is not a party or an officer of a party from significant expense resulting from the inspection and copying commanded.

(3)(A) On timely motion, the court by which a subpoena was issued, or regarding a subpoena commanding appearance at a deposition, or production or inspection directed to a non-party, the court in the county where the non-party resides, is employed or regularly transacts business in person, shall quash or modify the subpoena if it:

(i) fails to allow reasonable time for compliance; or

(ii) requires a person who is not a party nor an officer, director or managing agent of a party, nor a general partner of a partnership that is a party, to travel more than 50 miles from the county where that person resides, is employed or regularly transacts business in person, except that, subject to the provisions of clause (c)(3)(B)(iii) of this rule, such a person may in order to attend trial be commanded to travel from any such place within the state in which the trial is held; or

(iii) requires disclosure of privileged or otherwise protected matter and no exception or waiver applies; or

(iv) subjects a person to undue burden.

(B) If a subpoena:

(i) requires disclosure of a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information, or

(ii) requires disclosure of an unretained expert's opinion or information not describing specific events or occurrences in dispute and resulting from the expert's study made not at the request of any party, or

(iii) requires a person who is not a party nor an officer, director or managing agent of a party, nor a general partner of a partnership that is a party, to incur substantial expense to travel from the county where that person resides, is employed or regularly transacts business in person, the court may, to protect a person subject to or affected by the subpoena, quash or modify the subpoena or, if the party in whose behalf the subpoena is issued shows a substantial need for the testimony or material that cannot be otherwise met without undue hardship and assures that the person to whom the subpoena is addressed will be reasonably compensated, the court may order appearance or production only upon specified conditions.

(d) Duties in Responding to Subpoena.

(1)(A)A person responding to a subpoena to produce documents shall produce them as they are kept in the usual course of business or shall organize and label them to correspond with the categories in the demand.

(B) If a subpoena does not specify the form or forms for producing electronically stored information, a person responding to a subpoena must produce the information in a form or forms in which it is ordinarily maintained or in a reasonably usable form or forms.

(C) A person responding to a subpoena need not produce the same electronically stored information in more than one form.

(D) A person responding to a subpoena need not provide discovery of electronically stored information from sources that the person identifies as not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. On motion to compel discovery or to quash, the person from whom discovery is sought must show that the information sought is not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. If that showing is made, the court may nonetheless order discovery from such sources if the requesting party shows good cause, considering the limitations of Rule 26(b)(6)(B). The court may specify conditions for the discovery.

(2)(A) When information subject to a subpoena is withheld on a claim that it is privileged or subject to protection as trial preparation materials, the claim shall be made expressly and shall be supported by a description of the nature of the documents, communications, or things not produced that is sufficient to enable the demanding party to contest the claim.

(B) If information produced in response to a subpoena is subject to a claim of privilege or of protection as trial preparation material, the person making the claim may notify any party that received the information of the claim and the basis for it. After being notified, a party must promptly return, sequester, or destroy the specified information and any copies it has and may not use or disclose the information until the claim is resolved. A receiving party may promptly present the information to the court under seal for a determination of the claim. If the receiving party disclosed the information before being notified, the receiving party must take reasonable steps to retrieve the information. The person who produced the information must preserve the information until the claim is resolved.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF BEAUFORT

Lisa Sulka,

Plaintiff,

vs.

C.C. "Skip" Hoagland and Domains New Media, LLC,

Defendant.

Having first been duly sworn according to law, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury:

1. I, _____, am the duly authorized custodian of the office of the records for the **Town of Bluffton** and in such capacity, I have authority to certify the attached records.

2. The attached records are true copies of all original records maintained by the **Town of Bluffton** regarding Lisa Sulka that were requested in connection with the captioned matter.

3. The attached records were kept in the course of the regularly conducted business activity of the **Town of Bluffton** and were prepared as a regular practice and custom.

4. The attached records were prepared by the personnel of the **Town of Bluffton** in the ordinary course of business at or near the time of the act, condition, diagnosis, or event, reported thereon, and by a person or persons with knowledge of and a business duty to record or transmit those matters.

5. That there is a total of _____ pages constituting the complete file records regarding Lisa Sulka.

AND FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

AFFIANT

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2018

Notary Public for South Carolina My Commission Expires: _____ IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

CASE NO.: 2017-CP-07-01547

AFFIDAVIT OF RECORDS CUSTODIAN

RE: Lisa Sulka

1.Please produce <u>ALL</u> non-privileged correspondence, emails, and other documents, voicemails, memorandums, evidence of contributions either monetary or work product and/or ideas, and/or donations, including electronically recorded information, produced electronically in its native format, in your possession, custody, and/or control, produced, generated, saved or sent, by and/or received by you or your legal/corporate entity either for yourself, or on behalf of Lisa Sulka, and/or non-privileged communications involving a combination of yourself, your firm, and/or Lisa Sulka (<u>Isulka@townofbluffton.com</u>), or any other Town of Bluffton employee and/or elected official and the following entities:

a) with any of the listed persons or corporate entities: Lisa Sulka, Anthony Barrett, Marc Orlando; Greg Alford; Alford Law Firm, LLC; Alford and Thorensen, LLC; John Linton; Walker Gressette Freeman and Linton, LLC; Town of Hilton Head Island, and/or any of its employees, representatives, agents, or elected officials, specifically including Kim Likins, David Bennett, Thomas Lennox, Bill Harkins, Stephen Riley; The Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce, including Bill Miles, Charlie Clark, Ray Deal, and David Tigges; Carson Realty of the Lowcountry, including Lisa Sulka, Michael Hahn, Jonathan Matthew Rowe; Roberts Vaux and the law firm of Vaux, Marscher & Berglind, LLC; The Greater Bluffton Chamber of Commerce, and Shellie West-Hodges; Central City Realty; Bluffton Police Department, Your Chamber Connection; Boys and Girls Club of the Lowcountry, Boys & Girls Club of Bluffton, Boys & Girls Club of Hilton Head Island, and Chris Protz.

and which concern the following topics:

b) concerning Skip Hoagland; any of the two area Chambers of Commerce; the use of Town of Bluffton employees to assist the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce with a membership drive (on or about May 12-13, 2015); the negotiation and/or approval of the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce Designated Marketing Organization ("DMO") contract and/or Accommodations Tax Issues; real estate transactions involving the Town of Bluffton related to the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG"); real estate transactions in Bluffton Village, involving the Town of Bluffton, related to location and construction of Bluffton Town Hall and/or for parking for the Town Hall; real estate transactions involving the Town of Bluffton and the Wharf Street project; the 2007 vote for land purchase for additional parking for the Town Hall; the 2011 vote for the Wharf Street redevelopment project; and the 2013 vote for the purchase of land for the new Bluffton Town Hall; SC Ethics Commission filings regarding Lisa Sulka, investigation, and the disposition of the same; and/or any issue involving Skip Hoagland and/or Beaufort Watchdog, and/or Katina Beasley; Boys and Girls Club of Hilton Head, Boys and Girls Club of Bluffton Advisory Committee, and Boys and Girls Club of the Lowcountry.

2. Any and all contracts, real estate purchase agreements, closing statements, HUD-1 statements, deeds, mortgages, loan documents, government fund documents, emails, correspondence, money transfers, plans, drawings, photographs, development documents, regarding real estate transactions involving the Town of Bluffton related to the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG"); real estate transactions in Bluffton Village, involving the Town of Bluffton, related to location and construction of Bluffton Town Hall and/or for parking for the Town Hall; real estate transactions involving the Town of Bluffton and the Wharf Street project.

3.Any emails to or from Lisa Sulka at her work address <u>lisa@carsonrealtysc.com</u>, engaging in business on behalf of the Town of Bluffton, SC.

4.Any emails, no matter the content and subject, between Lisa Sulka, and Skip Hoagland, Greg Alford; Kim Likins, Drew Laughlin, David Bennett, Thomas Lennox, Bill Harkins, Stephen Riley; Bill Miles, Charlie Clark, Ray Deal, and David Tigges; C Michael Hahn, Jonathan Matthew Rowe, Nickey Maxey.

5.Any documentation, memos, records and/or emails concerning Skip Hoagland, his emails, and/or his public speaking at Town of Bluffton Council meetings, Town of Bluffton ATAX Committee meetings, Finance Committee meetings, or any other Town of Bluffton sponsored meeting where public speaking is allowed and it has involved Hoagland.