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> Mr. Stan V. Smith Corporate Financial Group Limited 1165 North Clark Street, Suite 650 Chicago, Illinois 60610

> > Re: The Estate of Sharon Bruns v. Jeep

Dear Mr. Smith:

We are in the process of closing out our file in the above-described matter and I am taking this opportunity to write an overdue letter to thank you for your courtesies and professional assistance. We deal with expert witnesses on a very regular basis, but you will stand out in our memory with fondness because of your helpful attitude and immediate response to our requests for your services. Moreover, your preparation and testimony at deposition was outstanding and helped us settle this case. Your national reputation is well deserved.

Unfortunately, our settlement contains a confidentiality provision that precludes me from disclosing the terms or conditions. However, we did arrange a structure that will provide benefits for many years to the five (5) orphans of Sharon Bruns who was killed by a rollbar that failed and collapsed on her when she was a passenger involved in a low speed accident in a Jeep CJ vehicle.

It was a pleasure talking to you by phone and working with you on this case. I hope to work with you on other cases and meet you personally some day.

Very truly yours,

TREECE, RICHDALE, MALONE,

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