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ALAN CARLSON, Clerk

BY:

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

TOREN SMITH, an individual dba STUDIO PROTEUS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

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ECLIPSE ENTERPRISES, INC., a New York corporation; DEAN MULLANEY, an individual; JAN MULLANEY, an individual; and DOE 1 through DOE 20, inclusive,

Defendants.

No. 957460

DECLARATION OF DANIEL KORNBLUTH IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER

DATE: 4-22-94 TIME: 10:30 am PLACE: Rm 469

I, DANIEL KORNBLUTH, declare the following:

- 1. I am a natural person residing in San Francisco,
  California, and am the attorney of record for defendants DEAN
  MULLANEY, JAN MULLANEY, and ECLIPSE ENTERPRISES, INC. ("ECLIPSE")
  in the above entitled action. I have personal knowledge of the
  following facts and events, and as to those facts stated on
  belief, I am informed and believe them to be true, and allege
  them based on such information and belief. If sworn as a
  witness, I can testify competently to the facts stated herein.
- 2. I have been engaged in settlement negotiations with opposing counsel, Stephen Hollman, and the parties to this action

since on or about Thursday, April 14, 1994. By April 15, we had agreed to a significant portion of a settlement, but were still working out some details. On April 15, Mr. Hollman informed me that he would seek an Ex Parte Application for Temporary Protective Order ("TPO") and would try to set it for Wednesday, April 20. I requested he put off the Ex Parte application to allow sufficient time to work out the settlement, to which he refused.

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- 3. With many points agreed to, Mr. Hollman was to fax a written rough draft to my office. When I received the written proposal, it was full of severe enforcement penalties and requirements that were never agreed to by myself or my clients. When I brought these problems to Mr. Hollman's attention, he refused to remove them, and on Monday, April 18, informed me that he set an Ex Parte hearing for Application for a TPO pending a full hearing on an Application for a Writ of Attachment for Wednesday, April 20, at 10:30 am in Room 469. I believe that Mr. Hollman is using the Ex Parte procedure as a means to pressure my clients into settlement. Mr. Hollman had mentioned his intent to seek such an order from the beginning of the negotiations. Mr. Hollman truly believed there was a chance of "great and irreparable harm" to his clients, requiring an Ex Parte Temporary Protective Order, I do not believe he would have given, what has amounted to 8 days notice of his intent, when only 24 hours or less notice is required on a showing of great and irreparable harm.
- 3. As stated above, I believe this motion is being brought for an improper purpose. On the morning of April 20, two hours

prior to the noticed Ex Parte hearing, Mr. Hollman telephoned me informing that the motion was reset for April 22, 1994. I received a faxed letter from Mr. Hollman which alleged he was confirming notice of an Ex Parte Application for a right to attach and writ of attachment or, in the alternative, a TPO. This was the first I had heard that the hearing was for an Ex Parte Right to Attach and Writ of Attachment. I had been noticed that the hearing was for a TPO pending a full hearing on a writ of attachment. This was also verified in written form during the settlement negotiations.

4. I have spent 6.0 hours in researching the issues involved in this motion, preparing the opposing declarations, and speaking with my clients. I anticipate spending another 2.0 hours at the Ex Parte hearing. My billing rate is \$125.00 per hour. I believe this motion to be frivolous and an abuse of process. I would therefore request attorney's fees be granted as against plaintiff and/or plaintiff's counsel.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 4-21-94

DANTEL KORNBLUTH