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VIA JAWS

April 15, 2026

The Honorable Patricia A. Muscarella
315 Court Street, Room 423
Clearwater, FL 33756

Re: *Liccione v. Loper*
Case No.: 24-003939-CI

Dear Judge Muscarella:

The parties in the referenced matter have filed a joint motion for referral to mediation. We are submitting with this letter a proposed order to which all parties agree. If the order is acceptable to the Court, we ask that the order be entered.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

THOMAS & LOCICERO PL

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Enclosure
cc: Plaintiff pro se

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION

JOHN WILLIAM LICCIONE,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No.: 24-003939-CI

CATHY SALUSTRI LOPER, et al.,

Defendants.

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JOINT MOTION FOR REFERRAL TO MEDIATION

Pursuant to Administrative Order 2015-016 and this Court's procedures for Assessing Attorneys' Fees and Costs, Defendants Cathy Salustri Loper, Barry Loper and Thursday Morning Media, Inc. ("Defendants") and Plaintiff John William Liccione ("Plaintiff") move this Court for an order referring Defendants' Motion for Judgment for Fees and Costs (the "Fee Motion") to mediation through the Sixth Circuit Mediation and Arbitration Program. Grounds for this motion are as follows:

1. On February 18, 2026, Defendants filed the Fee Motion (DE 210). Plaintiff has responded (DE 219).
2. This Court's procedures for Assessing Attorneys' Fees and Costs require mediation.
3. The Parties seek the assistance of the Sixth Circuit Mediation and Arbitration Program in conducting mediation. We understand that the Program requires an order from the Court before a mediator will be appointed.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully request that the Court enter an order referring the Fee Motion to mediation via the Sixth Circuit Mediation and Arbitration Program. A proposed order will be submitted to the Court with a courtesy copy of this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS & LOCICERO PL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 14, 2026, the foregoing document was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court via the E-Portal, and was served this same day on all counsel of record, either via transmission of Notices of Electronic Filing generated by the E-Portal or in some other authorized manner for those counsel or parties who are not authorized to receive electronic Notices of Electronic Filing.

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