In re:

To:

Assignee.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA COMPLEX BUSINESS LITIGATION **DIVISION** CRYSTAL CRUISES LLC, a California Case No. 2022-002742-CA-01 limited liability company, Lead Case CRYSTAL HOLDINGS U.S., LLC, a Case No. 2022-002757-CA-01 Delaware limited liability company, CRYSTAL AIRCRUISES, LLC, a Florida Case No. 2022-002758-CA-01 limited liability company, and (Jointly Administered Cases) Assignors, MARK C. HEALY,

## ASSIGNEE'S OBJECTION TO CLAIM OF PRAETORIAN FIRE RESCUE

### NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO OBJECT AND REQUEST FOR HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, Pursuant to section 727.111(4), Florida Statutes, the assignee may disallow improper claims of creditors, and the Court may consider these actions without further notice or hearing unless a party in interest files an objection within 21 days from the date this paper is served. If you object to the relief requested in this paper, you must file your objection with the Clerk of the Court of Miami-Dade County at 73 W. Flagler Street, Room 133, Miami, FL 33130, and serve a copy on the assignee's attorney, Paul N. Mascia, Esq., Nardella & Nardella, PLLC, 135 W. Central Blvd., Ste. 300, Orlando, FL 32801, and any other appropriate person.

If you file and serve an objection within the time permitted, the Court shall schedule a hearing and notify you of the scheduled hearing.

If you do not file an objection within the time permitted, the assignee and the Court will presume that you do not oppose the granting of the relief requested in the paper.

COMES NOW Mark C. Healy, Assignee in the above-captioned Assignment proceeding (the "Assignee"), pursuant to Section 727.113 and 727.109(4), files this Objection to Claim of Praetorian Fire Rescue ("PFR" or "Claimant"), and asserts as follows:

### **BACKGROUND**

- 1. On February 10, 2022, the Crystal Cruises, LLC (the "Assignor") executed and delivered, and the Assignee accepted, an irrevocable Assignment for the benefit of creditors to the Assignee (the "Assignment"). On February 11, 2022, a *Petition Commencing Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors* was filed by the Assignee for the Assignor, thereby commencing the following assignment for the benefit of creditors case pursuant to Chapter 727 of the Florida Statutes, in this Court: *In re Crystal Cruises LLC*, Case No. 2022-002742-CA-01 (the "Assignment Case").
- 2. Prior to the Assignment, Assignor engaged in the business of travel and entertainment business, including operating ocean, river, and expedition cruises and conducting related activities around the world (the "Business").
- 3. The Assignee's address and telephone number are c/o Paul N. Mascia, Esq., Nardella & Nardella, PLLC, 135 W. Central Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32801 and (407) 966-2680.
- 4. Pursuant to § 727.112, *Florida Statutes*, all proofs of claims shall be filed by delivering the claims to the Assignee within 120 days from the filing of the Assignment.
  - 5. In this case, all claims were due by June 11, 2022 (the "Bar Date").
- 6. PFR delivered its claim of \$147,000 to the assignee on July 11, 2022, via email (the "Claim"), a true and correct copy of which Claim is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**.
- 7. While the Claim was proffered after the Bar Date, and thus was untimely, PFR was not included on the list of Assignor's possible creditors provided to Assignee by the Assignor.

Therefore, for fairness's sake, Assignee is not objecting to the Claim on the basis of its untimely proffering. Rather, Assignee's basis for objection is PFR's failure to provide substantive evidence as to its claim's validity.

- 8. At any time before the entry of an order approving the Assignee's final report, the Assignee may file its objection to the Claim. *See* § 727.113(1), *Florida Statutes*. The Assignee's final report has not yet been filed in this case and his objection to the Claim is therefore timely made.
- 9. This Honorable Court has the power to allow or disallow claims against the estate and determine their priority. *See* § 727.109(4), *Florida Statutes*.

### **OBJECTION TO CLAIM**

- 10. The only documents PFR attached to its proof of claim is an email to Assignee's office and a list of itemized expenses showing three allegedly past due invoices dating back to August of 2021. Assignee cannot find any support for these allegedly past due invoices in the records of Assignor nor can Assignee find a copy of the an agreement between Assignor and PFR.
- 11. On May 17, 2023, and then again on June 1, 2023, Assignee contacted PFR and requested copies of the invoices and/or a copy of an original agreement between Assignor and PFR. To date, PFR has not responded to either of Assignee's request for additional documentation evidencing the validity of the Claim.
- 12. As PFR has failed to provide any documentation evidencing the debt alleged by PFR, Assignee requests that this Court deny the Claim.

WHEREFORE, the Assignee respectfully requests the Court enter an order sustaining his Objection to PFR's Claim and enter an order DENYING PFR's Claim and for any and all other relief this court deems just and proper.

DATED this 8 day of January 2024.

NARDELLA & NARDELLA, PLLC Co-General Counsel for Assignee 135 W. Central Blvd., Ste. 300 Orlando, FL 32801 (407) 966-2680

By: /s/ Danielle N. Waters

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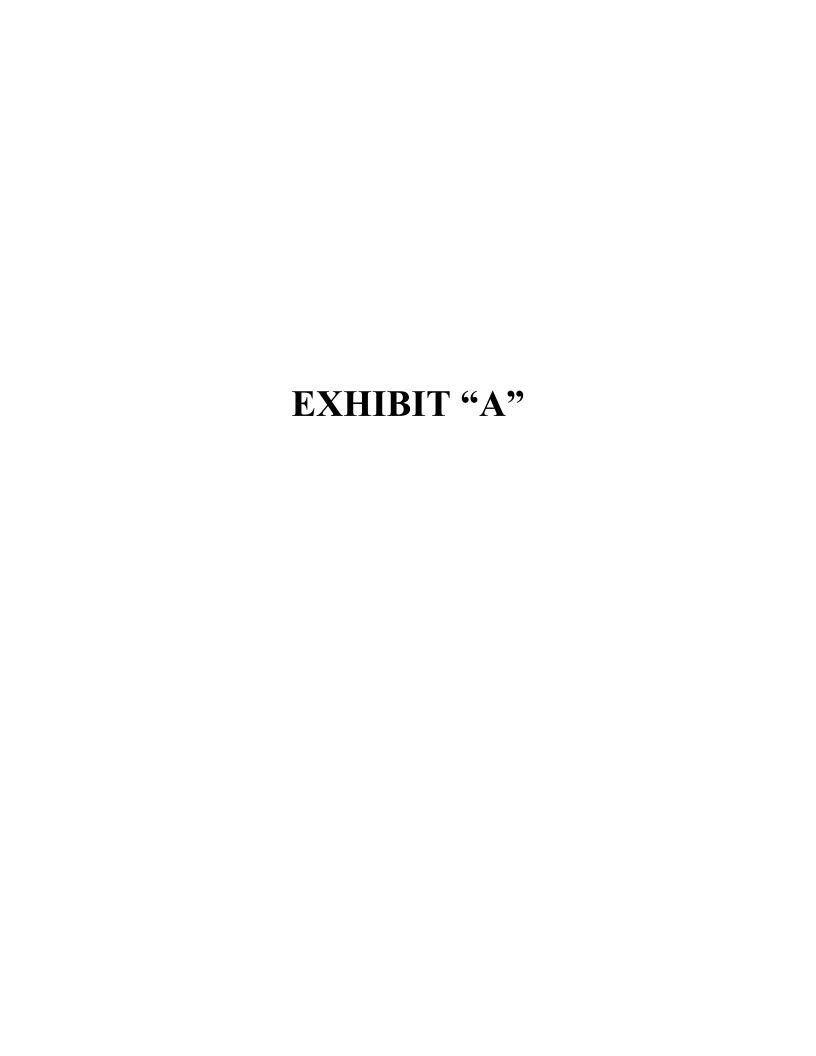
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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via the Florida Court's e-Filing Portal on January 8, 2024, which will serve upon all parties and interested persons of record in this action; on claimant Praetorian Fire Rescue via email at Helpenstell@praetorianFire.com and U.S. mail to 22409 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue Court East, Spanaway, WA 98387; and via email to cbl44@jud11.flcourts.org pursuant to CBL Rule 2.2.

By: /s/ Danielle N. Waters
Danielle N. Waters, Esq.



# IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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	Assignor,		Case No.: 20	22-002742 CA 01
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2.	BASIS FOR CLAIM: [] Goods Sold  [XServices Performed [] Money Loaned	[] Wages, Salaries and Comp [] Taxes [] Shareholder [] Other: _	pensations [] Secu	ured Creditor
3.	DATE DEBT WAS INCURRED	June - July 2021		===
4.	AMOUNT OF CLAIM:	147,000,00USD		_
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6.	SIGNATURE: Sign and print nan	ne and title, if any, of the credit	tor or other person auth	norized to file this claim:
DATE	D:06/02/2022	BY:	mant or Representative	2
		Eric Helpenstell,	Operations Director, Pr	raetorian Fire Rescue

Print Name and Title Here

# PRAETORIAN FIRE RESCUE TIN 81-1018801 USCG OSRO #411



Date: 1 August 2021

Invoice #: 1 Praetorian Fire Rescue for July 2021.

BILL TO:

Crystal Cruises

1501 Biscayne Blvd #501 Miami, FL 33132

P.O. NUMBER	TERMS	REP	SHIP	SHIP VIA	COMMENTS
June / July 2021	Payment upon receipt.				Consulting and emergency SOP production / COVID

### ITEMIZED EXPENSES

Line Item	Date	Description	Unit	Rate	Total
1	08/01/2021	Past Due June 2021. 30 days of consultation services. Covid /CEM Specialist.	30 ea	2000.00	60,000.00
2	08/01/2021	Past Due June 2021. Initial covid action plan.	1 ea	25,000.00	25,000.00
3	08/01/2021	July 2021. 31 Days of consultation services.	31 ea	2000.00	62,000.00
				Total	\$147,000.00

# Please remit too

Praetorian Fire Rescue 22409 44th Avenue Court East Spanaway, WA 98387 Wells Fargo N.A. RTN 121000248

Account: 1224972859

Thank you for your business.

Praetorian Fire Rescue 360 731 2627

Helpenstell@PraetorianFire.com

#### **Norma Castellon**

From:

info @Moecker.com

Sent:

Monday, July 11, 2022 12:17 PM

To:

Norma Castellon FW: Helpenstell

Subject: Attachments:

Praetorian Claim for Payment Crystal Cruises Insolvency.pdf

From: Eric Helpenstell

Sent: Monday, July 11, 2022 12:00 PM

To: info @Moecker.com <info@moecker.com>

Subject: Helpenstell

Greetings,

Please find attached our claim for bad debt with Crystal Cruises. We called and spoke several months ago about this process and you guys asked "do you know where they bank"?

We researched all we could and all we could find was the payment used for shipping their documents to use was on an visa account from "Nordea Bank" New Jersey. I have no idea if that helps.

Regardless, the 147k they have not paid a cent on from last year is a significant amount to us. Any relief will go a long ways.

Thank you for your time,

eric

Eric Helpenstell CEM
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