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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH CENTRAL DIVISION

R. WAYNE KLEIN, as Receiver of National Note of Utah, LC et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

LARRY L. ADAMS, et al.,

STATUS REPORT IN ADVANCE OF JANUARY 30, 2015 CONFERENCE

Civil No. 2:14-cv-00614

The Honorable Bruce S. Jenkins

Defendants.

Plaintiff R. Wayne Klein, the Court-Appointed Receiver (the "Receiver") of National Note of Utah, LC, its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, "National Note"), and the assets of Wayne LaMar Palmer in the case styled as Securities and Exchange Commission v. National Note of Utah, LC et al., Case No. 2:12-cv-00591-BSJ (D. Utah), by and through his counsel, respectfully submits this Status Report In Advance of January 30, 2015 Conference (the "Report"). This Report is submitted to the Court for consideration as part of the Scheduling Conference scheduled by this Court for January 30, 2015.

BACKGROUND

- 1. The Receiver contests the validity and enforceability of "Assignments of Beneficial Interests" ("ABIs") that were issued to some National Note investors and recorded against certain real property owned by National Note.
- 2. The Receiver requested that holders of ABIs voluntarily release their ABIs prior to him commencing litigation against them, and as a result many ABIs were released without the expense of litigation.
- 3. The Receiver then commenced litigation against all known holders of ABIs who did not voluntarily release their ABIs. This litigation was filed in several different ways:
 - (a) the above-captioned case was filed against 130 ABI holders (the "Omnibus Case");
 - (b) a lawsuit to invalidate ABIs recorded against the "Autumn Ridge Property" was filed against eighteen (18) ABI holders (the "Autumn Ridge Lawsuit"); 1
 - (c) a lawsuit to invalidate ABIs recorded against the "Farrell Property" (the "Farrell Lawsuit")² was filed against three (3) ABI holders;
 - (d) a lawsuit to invalidate an ABI recorded against the "Elkhorn Ridge Lot #48 Property" (the "Elkhorn Ridge Lawsuit")³ was filed against one (1) ABI holder; and
 - (e) requests for declaratory relief were made in numerous lawsuits filed against National Note investors who received ABIs in addition to false profits from National Note (the "Clawback Cases").

¹ Klein v. Bingham et al., Case No. 2:13cv00845 (D. Utah) (Nuffer, C.J.).

² Klein v. Shah, Case No. 2:13cv00810 (D. Utah) (Wells, J.).

³ Klein v. Harvest Time Ministries, Case No. 2:13cv00742 (D. Utah) (Waddoups, J.).

4. In accordance with guidance from the Court, it is the Receiver's intent to have the ABI issues resolved by this Court as part of this Omnibus Case. The Receiver has been working diligently for the last several months attempting to get the various matters in a procedural posture where this can be done effectively and efficiently. The status of each of these matters is discussed below.

The Present Omnibus Case

- 5. On August 25, 2014, the Receiver filed a Complaint commencing the above-captioned case, seeking a declaratory judgment that ABIs held by 130 Defendants are invalid and unenforceable. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a list of all Defendants and the status of the Omnibus Case as to each Defendant. The information in **Exhibit A** is summarized as follows:
- a. <u>Dismissed</u>: After the commencement of this Omnibus Case, a total of eighty (80) Defendants voluntarily released their ABIs, and thus the Receiver has filed Notices of Dismissal with respect to each of these Defendants.⁴
- b. <u>Defaulted</u>: Twenty six (26) Defendants were served with a summons and Complaint, but have not responded.⁵ With respect to these Defendants: (i) the Court has entered Default Judgments against nine (9) Defendants; (ii) the Receiver has requested Default Judgment against sixteen (16) Defendants; and (iii) the Receiver has requested the entry of a Default Certificate against one (1) Defendant.
- c. <u>Not Served</u>: Fourteen (14) Defendants have not been served with the summons and Complaint because the Receiver has had difficulty locating the Defendants

⁴ Exhibit A, pp. 1-2.

⁵ Exhibit A, p. 3.

inasmuch as National Note's records do not include current address or contact information.⁶ Many of these Defendants had investments held by retirement custodians (primarily, American Pension Services which is in receivership), and there are no records with addresses. The Receiver has been diligently attempting to locate these Defendants. On January 28, 2015, the Court entered an *Order Granting Motion for Extension of Time to Serve Summons and Complaint*, allowing the Receiver until March 31, 2015 to serve these Defendants. If service is not successful, the Receiver will request authorization to serve by publication.

- d. Answered: Four (4) Defendants have filed an Answer, with the Receiver has been informed that three (3) other Defendants will also answer the Complaint.⁸
 - e. Other: With regard to the remaining three (3) Defendants:
 - (i) The Complaint must be amended to name the estates of Defendants Richard Kermit Fulmer and Jenny Adamson, as the Receiver has discovered that these Defendants are now deceased; and
 - (ii) The Receiver has discovered that Sadee Dawn Adamson is a minor. Although she was properly served and has defaulted, the Receiver must, consistent with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55, ensure that a representative appears on her behalf before he can move for a default judgment.⁹
- 6. In addition, the Receiver has determined that the Complaint must be amended to include two (2) additional parties as Defendants -- Vetco, Inc. and Denise Lewis. These are

⁶ Exhibit A, p. 4.

⁷ Docket No. 295.

⁸ Exhibit A, p. 4.

⁹ Exhibit A, p. 4.

persons who the Receiver has recently discovered still hold ABIs for which no complaint to invalidate has been filed. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a list of all parties that the Receiver intends to request be added as Defendants in this Omnibus Case, including the two (2) recently discovered ABI holders.

The Autumn Ridge Lawsuit

- 7. On September 13, 2013, the Receiver commenced the Autumn Ridge Lawsuit against eighteen (18) holders of ABIs recorded against the Autumn Ridge Property. As a result of voluntary releases of ABIs and the entry of Default Judgments, at this time, only four (4) Defendants (the "Autumn Ridge Remaining Defendants") remain in that Lawsuit, and there is A Default Judgment pending against one of those Defendants—a Motion for Default Judgment was filed on January 22, 2015.
- 8. The Receiver intends to amend the Complaint in this Omnibus Case to add the three-non-defaulting Autumn Ridge Remaining Defendants as defendants in this action promptly after the Default Judgment against the defaulting Defendant is entered and all pending requests for Default Judgment in this Omnibus Case have been entered. The Autumn Ridge Lawsuit will be dismissed and the validity and enforceability of all ABIs that were involved in that Lawsuit will be resolved by this Court in this Omnibus Case.
- 9. To save expense, the Receiver has delayed moving to amend the Complaint in this Omnibus Case to include the three (3) Autumn Ridge Remaining Defendants. Specifically, if the Receiver had sought leave to file an amended complaint before the dismissal and/or entry of default judgment against many of the Omnibus Case Defendants, service of the amended complaint on the numerous Defendants herein would have been required. This would have cost

the Receivership Estate a significant amount in fees and costs and would have delayed resolution of the Receiver's claims against Defendants against whom judgments have been obtained earlier this month. The Receiver intends to file a Motion for Leave to file an amended complaint as soon as all pending Default Judgments are entered.

10. A list of the Autumn Ridge Remaining Defendants to be included as part of this Omnibus Case is included as part of **Exhibit B**.

The Farrell Lawsuit

- 11. On September 3, 2013, the Receiver commenced the Farrell Lawsuit against three (3) holders of ABIs recorded against the Farrell Property (the "<u>Farrell Defendants</u>").
- 12. Based on direction from this Court, the Receiver intends to amend the Complaint in this Omnibus Case to add the Farrell Defendants as defendants in this action. The Farrell Lawsuit will be dismissed and the validity and enforceability of all ABIs that were involved in that Lawsuit will be resolved by this Court in this Omnibus Case.
- Omnibus Case to include the three Farrell Defendants. Specifically, if the Receiver had sought leave to file an amended complaint before the dismissal and/or entry of default judgment against many of the Omnibus Case Defendants, service of the amended complaint on the numerous Defendants herein would have been required. This would have cost the Receivership Estate a significant amount in fees and costs. The Receiver intends to file a Motion for Leave to file an amended complaint as soon as all pending Default Judgments are entered.
- 14. A list of the Farrell Defendants to be included as part of this Omnibus Case is included as part of **Exhibit B**.

The Elkhorn Ridge Lawsuit

- 15. On August 6, 2013, the Receiver commenced the Elkhorn Ridge Lawsuit against one (1) holder of an ABI recorded against the Elkhorn Ridge Lot # 48 Property. On November 19, 2014, the Clerk entered a Default Certificate against Harvest Time and the Receiver is in the process of seeking the entry of a Default Judgment.
- 16. After the Default Judgment is entered, the Receiver intends to request dismissal of the Elkhorn Ridge Lawsuit.

The Clawback Cases

- 17. At this time, there are five (5) Clawback Cases remaining in which the Receiver has sued ABI holders who also received false profits. In these suits, the Receiver is seeking recovery of the false profits that were paid to the Defendants, as well as a declaratory judgment that their ABIs are invalid and unenforceable.
- 18. The Receiver has settled with Defendants in one of the still pending Clawback Cases, and he anticipates settling with Defendants in a second of the Clawback Cases shortly. Accordingly, it appears that these matters will be resolved.
- 19. As for the remaining three (3) Clawback Cases involving ABI issues, the Receiver believes the nexus of operative facts requires that the ABI issue be litigated as part of

the avoidance and recovery of false profits. The Receiver will request that these Clawback Cases be transferred to this Court if it is deemed necessary at this time.

DATED this 29th day of January, 2015.

DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP

/s/ Peggy Hunt

Peggy Hunt Chris Martinez Sarah Goldberg Attorneys for Receiver

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that service of the above **STATUS REPORT IN ADVANCE OF JANUARY 30, 2015 CONFERENCE** was filed with the Court on this 29th day of January, 2015, and served via ECF on all parties who have requested notice in this case.

/s/ Peggy Hunt	/s/ Peggy	Hunt
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EXHIBIT A

DEFENDANTS DISMISSED

- 1. ANITA K. BASHAW
- 2. MICHAEL BASHAW
- 3. MARY E. BEATTY
- 4. WILLIAM J. BEATTY
- 5. BLUE DIAMOND INVESTMENTS, L.P.
- 6. LAVOLA S. BROWNING
- 7. KANNON BURGOYNE
- 8. CHASE TRUST Dated APRIL 24, 2009
- 9. JARED A. CHASE
- 10. STEPHANIE P. CHASE
- 11. CHELTENHAM, LLC
- 12. KWANGSUN SARAH CHOE
- 13. RUTH CHRISTENSEN
- 14. HALERIE CLEVELAND
- 15. CLIFF COLE
- 16. RUTH COLE
- 17. L.C. CORDER
- 18. STEVEN A. DIAZ
- 19. DILLARD FAMILY TRUST
- 20. MACKEAL S. DILLARD
- 21. MERILU DILLARD
- 22. LARRY D. DIMICK
- 23. PAMA LEE GILLAM
- 24. RICARDO GONZALEZ
- 25. CIRA FRANCO VAZQUEZ
- 26. BARRY GORDON
- 27. RACHANEE GORDON
- 28. EVAN GRIDLEY
- 29. ROBERT D. HAHN
- 30. PHYLLIS S. HAHN
- 31. ALYCE HALVORSON
- 32. DAROLD HALVORSON
- 33. C. ANN HEATH
- 34. G. RODNEY HEATH
- 35. ROY HODELL
- 36. JOHN HUESTS
- 37. HUNTER T. HYDE
- 38. MARK JANIGA
- 39. BETSY A. JOHNSON
- 40. GIRISH JUNEJA
- 41. K&G MANAGEMENT, LLC
- 42. ZACHARY KEENAN SOUTIERE

- 43. REYA L. KEMPLEY
- 44. TARI C. KEMPLEY
- 45. LAURA KILPACK
- 46. TAMMARA LYNN KING
- 47. RAE LEE
- 48. DENISE LEONE
- 49. LINDA LIPNICKI
- 50. MAHAL KITA, INC.
- 51. TIFFANIE MCCOY
- 52. AMELIA K. MATHISON
- 53. HANNAH M. MATHISON
- 54. HOLLIE E. MATHISON
- 55. CYNTHIA JEAN MORREY
- 56. CHRISTIAN MORTENSEN
- 57. MICHAEL J. MORTENSEN
- 58. LOIS G. MORTENSEN
- 59. RONALD C. MURPHY
- **60. LONNY OLSON**
- 61. MELINDA OLSON
- 62. DAVID S. PAUL
- 63. PERPETUAL INCOME PARTNERSHIP, LLP
- 64. ADRIENNE PERRY
- 65. CRISTOPHER RYAN
- 66. DOUGLAS SCHMIDT
- 67. MARGARET H. SEDENQUIST
- 68. MICHAEL W. SQUIRES
- 69. PATRICIA ANN SQUIRES
- 70. JOHN STOKER
- 71. STEPHANIE STOKER
- 72. WILLARD TATE
- 73. NADINE C. TATE
- 74. THUNDERHEAD INVESTMENTS, LC
- 75. NICHOLAS TUTTLE
- 76. MARISSA TUTTLE
- 77. LINDA TUXON
- 78. GERALD E. WALLIN
- 79. JANET E. WALLIN
- **80. AL WILLIAMS**

DEFAULTING DEFENDANTS

- 1. JON M. BAIRD
- 2. MARK CARDONE
- 3. LISA R. CARDONE
- 4. JAVIER DEL CARPIO
- 5. DAVID L. FLYNN
- 6. SUMMER ADELE FROEHLICH
- 7. SHELDON J. HEATON
- 8. JAMIE L. HEATON
- 9. R'LENE HOGGAN
- 10. ROBERT LICCIARDO
- 11. AUDREY LICCIARDO
- 12. SUSAN LORING
- 13. DAN MADDOCK
- 14. TOR MEIER
- 15. JAMES EDGAR MOSS
- 16. PAULINE C. MOSS
- 17. NATIONAL NOTE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
- 18. CHAD PALMER
- 19. JULIE PALMER
- 20. PAUL MARTIN PALMER
- 21. LESLIE PAULA PROFFIT
- 22. CHERRY ANN REDD
- 23. PHILLIP REDD
- 24. H. COLEMAN SCHEULLER
- 25. XIAOPING SU
- 26. MICHAEL WALDEN

DEFENDANTS TO BE SERVED

- 1. KURT BROOKS
- 2. MICHAEL BRYANT
- 3. SHEILA BRYANT
- 4. KARAN HENDERSON
- 5. WILLIE HENDERSON
- 6. CYNTHIA HOLGATE-JOHNSON
- 7. ADAM H. JOHNSON
- 8. JANE LASH
- 9. DAVID MADDOCK
- 10. MENESINI REVOCABLE TRUST
- 11. ISABELLA MENESINI
- 12. MATTIE MAE SMALL
- 13. KRISTEN SPINOLA
- 14. MARYLOU WILLIAMS

RESPONDING DEFENDANTS

LARRY ADAMS
 KIMBERLY J. BRASHER
 JACQUELINE F. CHRISTENSEN
 STEPHEN E. CHRISTENSEN
 OLSON PROFIT SHARING PLAN
 KRISTINE S. OLSON
 G&K SUDBURY

Answered
Will Answer
Will Answer

MISCELLEOUS DEFENDANTS

1. SADEE DAWN ADAMSON Minor

2. JENNY ADAMSON
 3. RICHARD KERMIT FULMER
 Need to Substitute Estate

EXHIBIT B

AMEND OMNIBUS COMPLAINT TO ADD

RONALD CROSSMAN
 LILA FRANDSEN
 JEFFREY TODD HEATON
 AUTUMN RIDGE DEFENDANT
 AUTUMN RIDGE DEFENDANT

4. DENISE LEWIS NEWLY DISCOVERED

ABI/COTTONWOOD PROPERTY

LISA SANDERS-SHAH
 LAURIE VERTNER
 MICHAEL VERTNER
 VETCO, INC.
 FARRELL DEFENDANT
 FARRELL DEFENDANT
 NEWLY DISCOVERED

ABI/CLEARVIEW PROPERTY