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CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS, CASE NO. 37-2018-00023369-CU-PO-CTL Plaintiff, PLAINTIFF CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS' **MOTION IN LIMINE, 22 OF 23** VS. DAVID ARAMBULA; CITY OF LEMON Action Filed: March 01, 2017 GROVE; and DOES 1 through 1,000, Department: C-68 (Whitney) Defendants. Trial Date: August 5, 2022 8:30 a.m Trial Time:

Plaintiff Christopher Williams ("Plaintiff") respectfully submits this brief in opposition to Defendant David Arambula ("Arambula") and City of Lemon Grove ("City") (collectively, "Defendants")'s Motion In Limine No. 22 to preclude testimony, inquiry, and comment concerning Plaintiff's wealth and ability to afford medical treatment and psychological therapy.

Defendants contend that evidence of Plaintiff's financial means is not relevant, has no probative value, and would confuse and mislead the jury. The motion should be denied. Not only is Plaintiff's financial status relevant, but preventing him from discussing his ability to afford treatments may greatly confuse and mislead the jury. To preclude any and all testimony regarding Plaintiff's ability to afford medical treatment, therapy, and related services will therefore unduly prejudice Plaintiff at trial.

All relevant evidence is admissible except as otherwise provided by statute. EVID. CODE § 351. For evidence to be relevant, it must have "any tendency in reason to provide or disprove any disputed fact that is of consequence to the determination of the action". EVID. CODE § 210. Plaintiff's financial status has great

probative value because it can provide explanation for why Plaintiff did or did not seek or continue certain treatments. Without providing such an explanation if and when necessary, the jury can be mislead and confused about the extent of his injuries, pain, and suffering. If Plaintiff cannot explain his process of obtaining treatments for injuries, including any inability to afford treatments, the jury may be misled to believe that those treatments were not necessary and will lead to incorrect conclusions concerning the state of Plaintiff's mental and physical health since he was attacked by Arambula.

For these reasons, motion *in limine* no. 21 to preclude testimony, inquiry, and comment concerning Plaintiff's wealth and ability to afford medical treatment and psychological therapy should be denied.

Date: August 3, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

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