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ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATION OF LOUISIANA, KAREN KENNEDY, **CAROLINE MESSENGER**

NUMBER 605,769 **SECTION 25 19TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT** PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE STATE OF LOUISIANA

ANSWER TO PETITION FOR DAMAGES FOR DEFAMATION OF CHARACTER AND AMMENDED PETITION FOR DAMAGES FOR DEFAMATON OF CHARACTER AND TORTIOUS INTERFERENCE WITH BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP

NOW INTO COURT through undersigned counsel come defendants, the Arthritis Association of Louisiana, Karen Kennedy and Caroline Messenger, who for answer to Plaintiff's original and amended pleadings respectfully shows as follows:

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants aver that the Plaintiff has failed to state a cause of action for which the law of the State of Louisiana affords relief. · · (\bigcirc) 1. 012 The allegations in paragraph (1) one of Plaintiff's original petition do not require a response by these Defendants. 2.

The Defendants admit their status and their domicile. 3 COU

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M. The allegations in paragraphs 3-39 are denied for a lack of sufficient information to justify a belief and are denied as drafted.

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The allegations in paragraph 40 of Plaintiff's pleadings are specifically denied.

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The allegations in paragraphs 41-44 of Plaintiff's pleadings are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify belief.

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The allegations in paragraphs 45 are denied for lack of sufficient information and for the fact that paragraph 45 does not exist in regard to these Defendants.

The allegations in paragraphs 46-55 of Plaintiff's pleadings are expressly denied and denied for lack of sufficient information to justify belief.

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WHEREFORE, Defendants, the Arthritis Association of Louisiana, Karen Kennedy, and Caroline Messenger prays that this answer and affirmative defense be deemed good and sufficient and that after all delays and due proceedings had there be judgment herein in their favor and against the Plaintiff, Robert Burns, dismissing Plaintiffs demands at Plaintiff's costs. Defendants further pray for all general and equitable relief in the premise.

Respectfully submitted, ASSOCIATES, A.P.L.C. BRANKLEY JOSEPH P. BRANTLEY, IV La. Bar No. 03401 6513 Perkins Road Baton Rouge, LA 70808 (225) 769-9555 (225) 769-0023 facsimile

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the above and foregoing has been mailed, postage prepaid, to all counsel or parties of record.

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