## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

In re:

| Laser Spine Institute, LLC <sup>1</sup>         | Case No. 2019-CA-2762                   |
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| CLM Aviation, LLC                               | Case No. 2019-CA-2764                   |
| LSI HoldCo, LLC                                 | Case No. 2019-CA-2765                   |
| LSI Management Company, LLC                     | Case No. 2019-CA-2766                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of Arizona, LLC      | Case No. 2019-CA-2767                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of Cincinnati, LLC   | Case No. 2019-CA-2768                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of Cleveland, LLC    | Case No. 2019-CA-2769                   |
| Laser Spine Surgical Center, LLC                | Case No. 2019-CA-2770                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of Pennsylvania, LLC | Case No. 2019-CA-2771                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of St. Louis, LLC    | Case No. 2019-CA-2772                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of Warwick, LLC      | Case No. 2019-CA-2773                   |
| Medical Care Management Services, LLC           | Case No. 2019-CA-2774                   |
| Spine DME Solutions, LLC                        | Case No. 2019-CA-2775                   |
| Total Spine Care, LLC                           | Case No. 2019-CA-2776                   |
| Laser Spine Institute Consulting, LLC           | Case No. 2019-CA-2777                   |
| Laser Spine Surgery Center of Oklahoma, LLC     | Case No. 2019-CA-2780                   |
| Assignors,                                      | Consolidated Case No. 2019-CA-2762      |
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| Soneet Kapila,                                  | Division L                              |
| Assignee.                                       |   |
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## ORDER GRANTING ASSIGNEE'S MOTION FOR ORDER APPROVING (A) GLOBAL SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE AGREEMENT WITH GLENN HAMBURG, AND (B) ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PROFESSIONAL FEES

THESE CASES came before the Court for consideration upon the Assignee's

On April 8, 2019, the Court entered an order administratively consolidating this case with the assignment cases of the following entities: LSI Management Company, LLC; Laser Spine Institute Consulting, LLC; CLM Aviation, LLC; Medical Care Management Services, LLC; LSI HoldCo, LLC; Laser Spine Surgical Center, LLC; Laser Spine Surgery Center of Arizona, LLC; Laser Spine Surgery Center of Cincinnati, LLC; Laser Spine Surgery Center of St. Louis, LLC; Laser Spine Surgery Center of Oklahoma, LLC; Laser Spine Surgery Center of Oklahoma, LLC; Laser Spine Surgery Center of Cleveland, LLC; Total Spine Care, LLC; and Spine DME Solutions, LLC (collectively, the "Assignment Estates").

Motion for (A) Order Approving Global Settlement and Release Agreement with Glenn Hamburg, and (B) Order Authorizing Payment of Professional Fees (the "Motion") filed by Soneet R. Kapila as Assignee.<sup>2</sup> The Motion was filed on October 23, 2023, and was served by negative notice to all parties on the master service list. No objection to the Motion was filed. The Court finds that under the circumstances of this case, due and sufficient notice of the Motion was provided to parties, and that such notice was adequate and appropriate. Therefore, any requests for other and further notice shall be and hereby are dispensed with and waived, and no other or further notice is necessary.

The Court, having considered the Motion, the Settlement Agreement, the record in the Assignment Cases, and argument of interested parties, finds and concludes as follows:<sup>3</sup>

- A. This Court has jurisdiction to hear and consider the Motion, the settlement, and the compromise and related relief contained therein.
- B. Notice has been provided to those creditors and parties in interest as set forth on the master service list maintained by the Assignee in these Assignment Cases.
- C. Due, proper, and sufficient notice of the Motion and of the hearing on the Motion was given to those creditors and parties in interest set forth on the master service list maintained by the Assignee in the Assignment Cases. Such notice was proper, adequate, and satisfied the requirements of Sections 727.109(7) and 727.111(4), Florida Statutes and prior order of this Court.
  - D. In the context of a Chapter 727 assignment, the Assignee is the sole owner

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms not defined in the Order shall have the meaning set forth in the Motion or Settlement Agreement, as applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The findings of fact and conclusions of law stated in this Order shall constitute the Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law. To the extent any finding of fact later shall be determined to be a conclusion of law, it shall be so deemed. To the extent any conclusion of law later shall be determined to be a finding of fact, it shall be so deemed.

of and has the exclusive right to assert and settle the fraudulent transfer claims being

resolved in the Settlement Agreement. Moffatt & Nichol, Inc. v. B.E.A. International Corp,

*Inc.*, 48 So.3d 896, 899 (Fla. 3d. DCA 2010) (finding that an assignee is the only party who

has standing to pursue and settle fraudulent transfer, preferential transfer and other

derivative claims); Smith v. Effective Teleservices, Inc., 133 So.3d 1048, 1053 (Fla. 4th

DCA 2014) (same).

E. The Settlement and compromise embodied in the Settlement Agreement

falls within the reasonable range of possible litigation outcomes and reflects the Assignee's

appropriate exercise of his business judgment.

F. The Settlement and compromise embodied in the Settlement Agreement is

in the best interests of creditors and the Assignment Estates because the Settlement will

generate a significant recovery for the Assignment Estates and will avoid the substantial

risk, delay, and expense associated with the continued litigation and likely appeals of the

claims being settled.

G. The terms of the Settlement Agreement, including without limitation, the

Settlement Payment and mutual releases provided for in the Settlement Agreement, fall

well above the lowest level in the range of reasonableness and in all respects satisfy the

standards set forth in Wallis v. Justice Oaks II, Ltd. (In re Justice Oaks II, Ltd.), 898 F.2d

1544, 1549 (11th Cir. 1990), for approval of a compromise of a controversy on behalf of

the Assignment Estates.

Based on the findings above and for the reasons stated in the Motion and on the

terms of the Settlement Agreement, which shall constitute the decision of the Court, it is

ORDERED as follows:

1. The Motion is granted.

2. The Settlement Agreement is approved in all respects. The failure to specifically describe or include any particular provision of the Settlement Agreement in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provision, it being the intent of this Court that the Settlement Agreement be approved and so ordered in its entirety.

3. The Parties are authorized and directed to implement and comply with the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement.

4. Dr. Hamburg shall pay the Settlement Payment pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

5. The General Releases set forth in paragraph 7 of the Settlement Agreement are approved in accordance with the terms thereof and shall become effective upon the receipt of the Settlement Payment.

6. Upon the receipt of the Settlement Payment in full, the parties shall file a joint stipulation dismissing with prejudice the Lawsuit.

7. The Court retains jurisdiction to enforce this Order, to give effect to the compromise, and to resolve any issues or claims that arise out of or impact this Order or compromise.

8. The Court approves a total contingency fee to Venable, LLP and Rocke McLean & Sbar in the aggregate amount of \$56,250, calculated based on the percentage of the Settlement Payment previously approved by this Court. Pursuant to the agreement between such firms, the Assignee is authorized to pay from the Settlement Payment \$28,125 to Venable, LLP, and \$28,125 to Rocke McLean & Sbar.

72081433;1 4858-3394-9576, v. 1 9. Counsel for the Assignee shall serve this Order upon all interested parties and their counsel, including the creditors of the Assignment Estates.

DONE AND ORDERED in Hillsborough County, Florida, on October \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Electronically Conformed 12/19/2023 Darren D. Farfante

> DARREN FARFANTE Circuit Court Judge

Copies to: Counsel of record