Honorable Catherine Shaffer 1 Hearing Date: April 9, 2021, 1:30 pm 2 3 4 5 6 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KING 7 ZACHARY HUDSON, individually and on 8 behalf of all others similarly situated, No. 18-2-23611-8 SEA 9 Plaintiff, PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION 10 SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR v. ATTORNEYS' FEES 11 OATRIDGE SECURITY GROUP, INC., a Washington corporation; and CY A. 12 OATRIDGE, individually and on behalf of the marital community composed of Cy and 13 J. Doe OATRIDGE. 14 Defendants. 15 16 I. **INTRODUCTION** 17 Pursuant to paragraph 8 of this Court's Order of January 12, 2021, which granted 18 preliminary approval of the parties' proposed class action settlement, Plaintiff Zachary 19 Hudson now moves for final approval of the proposed settlement and of an attorneys' fee and 20 cost award for Class Counsel. 21 22 23 PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR FINAL SCHROETER GOLDMARK & BENDER APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION 24 810 Third Avenue • Suite 500 • Seattle, WA 98104 SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR Phone (206) 622-8000 • Fax (206) 682-2305

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#### II. DISCUSSSION

## A. The Third Party Administrator Has Implemented the Court-Approved Notice Plan.

In accordance with the Court's January 12, 2021 Order (the "Preliminary Approval Order"), third party administrator ILYM mailed and emailed notice of settlement to the class members on February 11, 2021 with a text message reminder, where possible, seven days later. Declaration of Adam J. Berger ¶1 The notice included a March 15 deadline for submission of objections and, for newly added class members, to request exclusion from the class. *Id.* To date, no class member has communicated an objection to the proposed settlement and no newly added class member has requested exclusion. *Id.*, ¶2. Plaintiff will submit a final report on implementation of the notice plan and a response to any objections that may be received by March 23, 2021 in compliance with paragraph 8 of the preliminary approval order.

### B. The Court Should Grant Final Approval of the Proposed Settlement.

Plaintiff addressed the factors supporting final approval of the proposed settlement in his Unopposed Motion in Support of Preliminary Approval (Dkt. #108). There have been no developments since that time that call into question the fairness, adequacy, or reasonableness of the proposed settlement and the absence of any objections or additional requests for exclusion to date also support its final approval.

# C. The Court Should Approve Class Counsel's Requested Fee and Cost Award.

In the Preliminary Approval Order, the Court granted preliminary approval to a fee award of 30% of the gross settlement fund, or \$525,000, plus reasonable litigation costs of

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approximately \$25,000. As explained in Plaintiff's Motion Preliminary Approval, the requested fee award is well within the range of percentage-based awards normally approved by courts in class actions and is further supported by the duration and complexity of the litigation and the significant recovery for the class in this case. *See* Dkt.#108 at pp. 12-14. The notice to the class included a description of the requested award and no class member has yet objected to the award, further indicating the reasonableness of the request. Berger Dec. ¶3.

Following the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, Defendants produced additional, updated pay and time data to Plaintiff, permitting more precise allocation of damages to class members who worked toward the end of the class period. Plaintiff incurred additional expert expenses to analyze this data, which caused Class Counsel's total litigation costs to reach \$26,361.89, slightly in excess of the \$25,000 projected at the time of preliminary approval. *Id.*, ¶4. The costs incurred by Class Counsel are detailed in the reports appended to the accompanying declaration of counsel. *Id.*, ¶5, Exs. 1-3. Plaintiff respectfully submits that the Court should approve these slightly increased costs and approve a final fee award of \$525,000 and cost award of \$26,361.89.

#### III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above and in Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval, the Court should grant final approval of the proposed settlement and approve Class Counsel's fee and cost award. Plaintiff will submit a proposed form of Final Approval Order by March 23, 2021.

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