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Defendants JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("Chase"), Samantha Nelson, Kristofer 1 Nelson, Vikram Dadlani, and Jane Doe Dadlani (collectively, the "Chase Defendants") 2 hereby furnish their Fourth Supplemental Rule 26.1 Disclosure Statement. This 3 supplemental disclosure statement is based upon information currently known to the 4 Chase Defendants and reasonably believed to be relevant. The Chase Defendants reserve 5 the right to supplement this disclosure statement in the event additional information 6 becomes known as the result of ongoing discovery or otherwise. Moreover, if any part of 7 this disclosure statement is used in any way in connection with this matter, the Chase 8 Defendants reserve all objections and state that, at the time this disclosure statement was 9 prepared, the case was in the early stages of discovery. New information is in **bold type**. 10

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### I. FACTUAL BASES OF THE CHASE DEFENDANTS' DEFENSES

This lawsuit was brought by Plaintiff Peter S. Davis as receiver (the "Receiver") on behalf of DenSco Investment Corporation ("DenSco") and concerns DenSco's involvement in a real estate loan fraud perpetrated by Scott Menaged ("Menaged"). The essence of DenSco's case against the Chase Defendants, as alleged in the First Amended Complaint, is that Menaged maintained bank accounts for his business at Chase for part of the time (2014 and 2015) he was defrauding DenSco, and, therefore, Chase and two of its branch bankers must have known of the fraud and aided it.

<sup>19</sup> The Chase Defendants possess a variety of meritorious defenses to this claim, <sup>20</sup> including: (a) the Receiver lacks standing to bring this claim; (b) the claim is barred by <sup>21</sup> the statute of limitations; (c) the Receiver cannot satisfy a number of the elements <sup>22</sup> necessary to sustain an aiding and abetting fraud claim; and (d) and several additional <sup>23</sup> affirmative defenses pleaded in the Chase Defendants' answers. Below, the Chase <sup>24</sup> Defendants describe the facts currently known to them that support each category of <sup>25</sup> defense.

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A. Facts Supporting a Lack of Standing Defense

In the Order Appointing Receiver ("Appointment Order"), the Maricopa County

Superior Court defined the "Receivership Assets" as "the assets monies, securities, choses 1 in action, and properties, real and personal, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind and 2 description, wherever situated, of [DenSco]." In keeping, the Appointment Order 3 authorizes the Receiver "to institute [] actions or proceedings [] as may in his discretion 4 be advisable or proper for the protection of the Receivership Assets or proceeds 5 therefrom, and to institute [or] prosecute [] such actions or proceedings [] as may in his 6 judgment be necessary or proper for the collection, preservation and maintenance of the 7 Receivership Assets." 8

In other words, the Appointment Order authorizes the Receiver to bring claims 9 that belong to the actual entity in receivership: DenSco. The Receiver, as a matter of both 10 fact and law, steps into the shoes of DenSco. The Appointment Order does not authorize 11 the Receiver to bring claims that belong to *investors* in DenSco. The fraud allegedly 12 perpetrated by Menaged did not, in fact, tortiously injure DenSco as a company. To the 13 contrary, the First Amended Complaint makes clear that DenSco, as operated by its sole 14 owner, shareholder, and operator, Denny Chittick ("Chittick"), was a participant in the 15 alleged fraud-not a victim. Because DenSco participated in the scheme for its own 16 benefit, it does not have standing nor the ability to bring a claim against Chase. And, 17 because the Receiver is authorized only to bring claims on behalf of DenSco, and not 18 19 DenSco's investors, he too lacks standing.

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### **B.** Facts Supporting a Statute of Limitations Defense

The statute of limitations for a claim of aiding and abetting in Arizona is three years. Menaged began banking with Chase in April 2014, five months after DenSco admittedly discovered Menaged's fraudulent activity in or around November 2013. Thus, DenSco's claim accrued by April 2014, and its claim—not filed for over five years later on August 16, 2019—is barred by the applicable three-year statute of limitations.

Moreover, the facts in the following table demonstrate that DenSco remained aware of Menaged's alleged fraudulence throughout 2014 and 2015—the full duration of his banking relationship with Chase. These facts are drawn from a corporate journal

1 maintained by DenSco in 2014 and 2015, and an investor letter that Chittick wrote to

2 DenSco investors shortly before his death in July 2016.

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Date	Source	Excerpt
2/25/2014		I talked with Scott for an hour, we went over like three more scenarios. It all boils down to
		him coming up with cash. He does, that we'll be able to pay off a lot of loans, in numbers not dollars. Then his attorney sent over a 35 page
		agreement which was completely different than what scott agreed too. I swear they are just
		drgging this out and have no intention of signing anything.
3/31/2014	DenSco Journal	Scott is now convinced he's going to just sell all the properties and owe me a sh!t load of money
		and work on paying it off. at this point it clears the books, brings in the interest and then
		hopefully he can produce enough money that he can pay down the debt, it could be 8 million. That's a scary f*cking number. I'll now be able
		to fund a few more deals that are popping up. I only lost 95k this month. If he sells the
		properties, and I get the interest in, I'll have a good year, which will be good to put some
		capital on the books incase he f*cks me at some point.
6/10/14	DenSco Journal	I started looking up old wholesale deals from
		scott, I couldn't find any that were recorded, or very few. I went to the auction today to see if I
		could see louie buy some. No one knows me. John ray walks up and blows it! he's introducing
		me to everyone. I see louie buy one, then that's not on the list. I question scott about it he says it
		was paid for by a customer, he only bought two others, and they were after I left. Then the thing
		with the deeds he explains that they hold them until the guy they sell it to sells it so that if there
		are HOA's they don't get hit with all the fees. W go over all the properties. He's almost 40 million
		now.
<sup>1</sup> The Den	Sco Journal and Invest	tor Letter include typos. The Chase Defendants ha
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1	9/15/14	DenSco Journal	Scott was back and forth several times with me
			checking properties and amounts. Gregg was
2			trying to give him releases for properties that were already paid off my only problem is that
3			scott kept saying hey I came to you a year and
4			half ago, when it was just in November. I think
5			he knew about this longer than he's telling me.
	Late 2014	Investor Letter	This whole agreement bothered me and wasn't
6			sure it was right. Over time I was getting more
7			and more uncomfortable with this arrangement and kept asking more questions. I told him I
8			wasn't comfortable with this arrangement and he need to return the funds to me and I would no
9 10			longer fund any more deals. [] We are now in late 2014. I was adamant that I wanted to stop
			this transaction. I wasn't sure what the truth was
11			as far as arrangement how or who was getting
12			paid etc.
13	December 2014	Investor Letter	Now compounded with the knowledge that all
14	2014		along I had been an unwittingly accomplice in some kind of fraud in my estimation. I felt like I
15			was between a rock and hard place, with no out.
16			In December I said no more.
17	Finally, Chittick was DenSco's sole owner, shareholder, and operator. As a result,		
18	his knowledge of Menaged's alleged fraud is attributed to DenSco, conclusively		
19	triggering the accrual of any purported aiding and abetting claim DenSco possesses at the		
20	time Chittick acquired knowledge of the alleged fraud.		
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23	DenS	co is unable to establi	sh the elements necessary to prevail on an aiding and
24	abetting fraud claim. The record established in this case already demonstrates that DenSco		
11	is unable to prove (i) the existence of an actionable underlying tort; (ii) knowledge on the		
25	is unable to p		
25 26	-		ubstantial assistance on the Chase Defendants' part.

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and justifiably relies on the misrepresentations at hand. Reliance, in turn, is not justifiable 1 where the allegedly defrauded party could have ascertained the falsity of those 2 representations. The facts outlined above and as part of the Receiver's prior filings 3 demonstrate not only that DenSco could have ascertained that Menaged's representations 4 were false, but that DenSco-through Chittick, its sole owner, shareholder, and 5 operator—in fact knew that Menaged was making misrepresentations about his usage of 6 DenSco's real estate loan funds. 7

#### ii. The Chase Defendants had no knowledge of Menaged's alleged fraud.

In Arizona, aiding and abetting liability only lies where a defendant knows that the 10 conduct they are allegedly aiding and abetting is, in fact, a tort. Defendants Vikram Dadlani and Samantha Nelson-the Chase employees through whom Chase is alleged to 12 possess knowledge of Menaged's alleged fraud-have confirmed in sworn deposition 13 testimony that they had no knowledge whatsoever of misconduct on Menaged's part. And 14 the Chase Defendants' only interactions with Menaged were in the context of banking 15 activities on accounts Menaged owned and controlled that did not lead to actual 16 knowledge of Menaged's alleged misconduct. The fact that the Receiver believes 17 Menaged engaged in conduct that should have alerted the Chase bankers to Menaged's 18 fraud (the Chase Defendants disagree) is of no moment. The law is well-established: 19 "should have known" is not tantamount to actual knowledge for purposes of pleading or 20 establishing an aiding and abetting claim.

#### iii. The Chase Defendants did not substantially assist Menaged's alleged fraud.

23 In Arizona, the processing of banking transactions does not constitute substantial 24 assistance of fraud unless the alleged assistance was accompanied by an extraordinary 25 economic motivation. Chase collected only ordinary banking fees in connection with 26 Menaged's account, and the named individuals (the Nelsons and Dadlanis) had absolutely 27 no extraordinary economic motivation to assist Menaged. Samantha Nelson and Vikram

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Dadlani are salaried employees whose only economic motivation was the paycheck they
 received from Chase.

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#### D. Facts Supporting the Chase Defendants' Affirmative Defenses

In their Answers to the First Amended Complaint, the Chase Defendants identified 4 thirteen affirmative defenses, two of which are the standing and statutes of limitations 5 defenses described above. Many of the defenses-including laches, waiver, 6 acquiescence, estoppel, unclean hands, in pari delicto, comparative fault, assumption of 7 risk, and fraud-rely, at least in part, on facts articulated above. These defenses will be 8 further developed as facts become available to the Chase Defendants in discovery. Certain 9 other defenses—including those predicated on issue and claim preclusion and admissions 10 made by the Receiver in other court filings-rely, at least in part, on legal documents and 11 court filings in Peter S. Davis, as Receiver for DenSco Inv. Corp. v. Clark Hill PLC, Case 12 No. 2017-013832 ("Clark Hill Action"). So too will these be further developed as the 13 Chase Defendants investigate the voluminous court file in the Clark Hill Action and any 14 other potentially relevant legal proceedings in which the Receiver has engaged. 15

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## A. Lack of Standing

A receiver stands in the shoes of a corporate entity and is only authorized to bring 18 claims that would otherwise belong to that entity. The Receiver does not stand in the 19 shoes of individual investors that invested in the entity, and consequently lacks standing 20 to prosecute claims that belong to those investors. See, e.g., Managers Ass'n v. Kennesaw 21 Life & Accident Ins. Co., 809 F.2d 617, 622 (9th Cir. 1986) (where a receiver represents 22 a company and its affiliates, but not the company's beneficiaries, the receiver lacks 23 standing to assert state law fraud claims that lie with the third-party beneficiaries). In the 24 case of a Ponzi scheme, where an entity in receivership was used in service of the scheme, 25 it is the investors, and not the entity, that suffered injury as a result of the scheme. Thus, 26 a third-party tort claim predicated on fraud necessarily arises from damages to the 27 investors, not the receiver, depriving the receiver of standing. See, e.g., Isaiah v. 28

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JPMorgan Chase Bank, 960 F.3d 1296, 1307 (11th Cir. 2020). ("the Ponzi schemers'
 torts cannot properly be separated from the Receivership Entities, and the Receivership
 Entities cannot be said to have suffered any injury from the Ponzi scheme that the Entities
 themselves perpetrated").

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#### **B.** Statute of Limitations

Arizona has a three-year statute of limitations for fraud. Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 12-6 543(3). That same period applies to aiding and abetting fraud claims. Here, DenSco's 7 allegations demonstrate it was on notice of the fraud for at least three-plus years before it 8 filed suit against Chase. More specifically, its allegations show that a fraudster (Menaged) 9 was committing real estate loan fraud on the lender (DenSco), and midway through the 10 process, after his conduct was revealed to DenSco, Menaged made further false promises 11 while continuing the real estate loan fraud scheme and causing DenSco additional losses. 12 Also, DenSco admits in its allegations that it knew Menaged was defrauding it when 13 Menaged began the banking relationship with Chase commenced in April 2014. Since 14 this suit was not commenced until more than five years later in August 2019, the claim 15 against Chase is forever time-barred. 16

DenSco also concedes that it was on inquiry notice of the alleged fraud as of April 17 2014, and actually investigated the fraud in June 2014. As reflected in the table above, 18 DenSco knew enough about Menaged's fraud in June 2014—a mere two months after he 19 began banking at Chase-that DenSco's sole employee/representative attended an 20 auction incognito because of concern that Menaged was not really using DenSco funds to 21 buy homes. Thus, DenSco, a sophisticated business and real estate lender, was not only 22 on inquiry notice in April 2014, but actually did inquire, and knew or certainly should 23 have known of the fraud long before the Receiver was appointed—and more than five 24 25 years before this litigation was commenced. See, e.g., Stulce v. Salt River Project Agric. Improvement & Power Dist., 197 Ariz. 87, 90 ¶ 10, 3 P.3d 1007, 1010 (App. 1999) (under 26 Arizona's "discovery rule," a cause of action accrues when a plaintiff discovers or 27 "reasonably should have discovered" defendant's injury-causing misconduct). 28

Finally, DenSco cannot rely on the doctrine of adverse domination to save its stale 1 claim. The adverse domination doctrine is not applicable when a sole actor runs the 2 company alleged to have engaged in misconduct. Indeed, adverse domination is subject 3 to a basic exception-the widely-adopted "sole actor" rule, recognized in Arizona for 4 over 50 years—whereby the agent's knowledge (Chittick's) is attributed to the principal 5 (DenSco) when the agent, "although engaged in perpetrating [fraud] on his own account, 6 is the sole representative of the principal." Pearll v. Selective Life Ins. Co., 444 P.2d 443, 7 445 (1968) (internal citation and quotations omitted). Where an entity is controlled by a 8 sole actor, that period does not toll, but instead accrues at the time the sole actor discovers 9 the misconduct giving rise to the claim, as the sole actor's knowledge is imputed to the 10 entity under the sole actor rule. See, e.g., In re Mediators, Inc., 105 F.3d 822, 827 (2d Cir. 11 1997) (sole actor rule "imputes the agent's knowledge to the principal" when "the 12 principal and agent are one and the same"); In re Nat'l Century Fin. Enters., 783 F. Supp. 13 2d 1003, 1016 (S.D. Ohio 2011) ("[u]nder the sole actor rule, an agent's wrongdoing is 14 directly attributed to the principal if he so dominated and controlled the principal that it 15 had no separate mind, will or existence of its own," and "the principal and agent are one 16 and the same"). 17

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#### C. DenSco's Inability to Satisfy the Elements of the Claim

#### i. No actionable underlying tort.

In Arizona, an actionable fraud only exists where the party alleging fraud actually 20 and justifiably relies on the misrepresentations at hand. Reliance, in turn, is not justifiable 21 where the allegedly defrauded party could have or should have ascertained the falsity of 22 those representations. Specifically, a party in Arizona is not entitled to a verdict on a fraud 23 if by an ordinary degree of caution the party complaining could have ascertained the 24 25 falsity of the representations complained of. See Stanley Fruit Co. v. Ellery, 42 Ariz. 74, 78, 22 P.2d 672, 674 (Ariz. 1933) ("a party is not entitled to a verdict [on a fraud] if by 26 an ordinary degree of caution the party complaining could have ascertained the falsity of 27 the representations complained of"). 28

# ii. The Chase Defendants lack knowledge of Menaged's alleged fraud.

In Arizona, aiding and abetting liability only lies where a defendant knows that the conduct they are allegedly aiding and abetting is, in fact, a tort. Mere knowledge of suspicious activity is not enough, nor is the processing of transactions in an account that, in retrospect, appear unusual, unprecedented, and unexplained. *See, e.g., Stern v. Charles Schwab & Co., Inc.*, No. CV-09-1229, 2010 WL 1250732, at \*8 (D. Ariz. Mar. 24, 2010) ("mere knowledge of suspicious activity is not enough"). In other words, it is not enough that a defendant should have known something was amiss or known even of the alleged fraud. The defendant must have been actually aware that the fraudster did or would in fact perpetrate the specific fraud at issue.

# iii. The Chase Defendants did not substantially assist Menaged's alleged fraud.

In Arizona, the processing of "ordinary course transactions" only "constitute 13 substantial assistance under some circumstances, such as where there is an extraordinary 14 economic motivation to aid in the fraud." Wells Fargo Bank v. Ariz. Laborers, Teamsters, 15 & Cement Masons Local No. 395 Pension Tr. Fund, 201 Ariz. 474, 489 ¶ 48, 38 P.3d 12, 16 27 (2002). Such motivation requires more than the existence of ordinary account fees and 17 credit interest. See, e.g., Stern v. Charles Schwab & Co., Inc., No. CV-09-1229, 2009 WL 18 3352408, at \*8 (D. Ariz. Oct. 16, 2009) (holding that a bank's collection of ordinary 19 banking fees does not create a circumstance of "extraordinary economic motivation" such 20 that processing ordinary bank transactions morphs into substantial assistance). Merely 21 permitting a customer to open and continue maintaining an account with transactions in 22 the millions of dollars is not enough to establish an extraordinary economic motivation. 23

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#### D. Other Defenses

The Chase Defendants assert that DenSco's claims are barred, may be barred, or reduced by other matters constituting a defense or affirmative defense as set forth in Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure 8 and Arizona's common law, and as may be determined to exist through discovery. Those defenses include laches, waiver, acquiescence, estoppel,

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1	unclean hands, in pari delicto, comparative fault, assumption of risk, fraud, admission,		
2	and issue and claim preclusion.		
3	The Chase Defendants have not yet identified all the legal defenses that they may		
4	have to DenSco's claims and reserve the right to supplement this disclosure.		
5	III. THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF EACH		
6	WITNESS THE CHASE DEFENDANTS EXPECT TO CALL AT TRIAL, WITH DESIGNATION OF THE SUBJECT MATTER ABOUT WHICH EACH WITNESS MIGHT BE CALLED TO TESTIFY		
7	The Chase Defendants anticipate that their trial witnesses will include the		
8	following:		
9	1. Representative of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.		
10	c/o Nicole M. Goodwin Greenberg Traurig, LLP		
11	2375 East Camelback Road, Suite 700 Phoenix, Arizona 85016		
12	(602) 445-8000		
13	The Chase Defendants anticipate that a representative of Chase will be called to		
14	testify regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding DenSco's allegations, the		
15	damages alleged, and the Chase Defendants' defenses.		
16	2. Vikram Dadlani		
17	c/o Nicole M. Goodwin Greenberg Traurig, LLP 2375 East Camelback Road, Suite 700		
18	Phoenix, Arizona 85016 (602) 445-8000		
19	Vikram Dadlani is a Defendant in this action. The Chase Defendants anticipate		
20	that he will testify regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding DenSco's		
21	allegations and Vikram and Jane Doe Dadlani's defenses.		
22	3. Samantha Nelson		
23	c/o Nicole M. Goodwin Greenberg Traurig, LLP		
24	2375 East Camelback Road, Suite 700 Phoenix, Arizona 85016		
25	(602) 445-8000		
26	Samantha Nelson is a Defendant in this action. The Chase Defendants anticipate		
27	that she will testify regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding DenSco's		
28	allegations and Samantha and Kristofer Nelson's defenses.		
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4. Peter S. Davis c/o Plaintiff's counsel

Mr. Davis is the receiver appointed for DenSco, and acts on DenSco's behalf and in DenSco's stead as the Plaintiff in this action. The Chase Defendants anticipate that Mr. Davis will testify regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding Plaintiffs' allegations, his lack of personal knowledge thereof, and alleged damages.

- 5. Witnesses disclosed in future discovery, without waiver of objection.
- 6. Witnesses necessary to lay the foundation of exhibits.
- 7. Witnesses properly listed by any other party in this matter, without waiver of objection.
- 8. Any necessary rebuttal or impeachment witnesses, fact and expert.

The Chase Defendants reserve the right to supplement this disclosure as appropriate.

#### IV. OF ANY THE NAME AND ADDRESS PERSON THE DEFENDA NTS BELIEVE HAVE KNOWLEDGE THE FRANSACTIONS. OR OC CURRENCES **VE RISE TO THIS ACTION** AND A DESCRIPT THE NATURE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OR INFORMATION SUCH PERSON IS BELIEVED TO POSSESS

The Chase Defendants have not yet identified all of the witnesses with relevant knowledge of the events, transactions, or occurrences that gave rise to this action, but they anticipate that all witnesses listed above in § III have relevant knowledge. With respect to any other persons, the Chase Defendants identify the following:

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Mr. Menaged is the alleged fraudster at the heart of DenSco's case. The Chase
 Defendants believe he possesses information about the facts and circumstances
 surrounding DenSco's claims.

2. Veronica Castro Current address unknown

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Veronica Castro allegedly participated in the commission of Menaged's alleged 1 fraud. The Chase Defendants believe she possesses information about the facts and 2 circumstances surrounding DenSco's allegations. 3 4 3. **David Beauchamp** Clark Hill PLC 5 14850 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 500 Scottsdale, Arizona 85254 6 David Beauchamp served as DenSco's lawyer. The Chase Defendants believe he 7 possesses information about the facts and circumstances surrounding DenSco's 8 knowledge of Menaged's activities. 9 4. All witnesses necessary to lay foundation for exhibits; and 10 5. All witnesses listed by all other parties in their Rule 26.1 disclosure, and 11 any supplements and amendments thereto, to which Defendants do not otherwise object, 12 whether withdrawn or not. 13 The Chase Defendants reserve the right to supplement this disclosure as 14 appropriate. 15 V. THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE GIVE 16 STATEMENTS WHETHER WRITTEN OR **RECORDED.** SIGNED. AND гне CUSTODIANS COPIES 17 **STATEMENTS** Defendants Vikram Dadlani and Samantha Nelson were deposed by counsel for 18 the Receiver in connection with the Clark Hill Action, copies of which were made 19 available to both the Receiver and counsel for the Chase Defendants shortly after the 20deposition. Vikram Dadlani's and Samantha Nelson's contact information is listed above 21 in § IV. 22 Mr. Menaged has sat for numerous depositions, transcripts of all of which are 23 believed to be in the possession of counsel for the Receiver. 24 VI. **EXPERT WITNESSES** 25 The Chase Defendants have not yet determined the expert(s) they may call in this 26 27 case, or the subject matter(s) that may be covered by such expert(s). The Chase Defendants reserve the right to name one or more expert witnesses at a later date. 28

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## VII. <u>A COMPUTATION AND MEASURE OF DAMAGES</u>

The Chase Defendants deny all damages and remedies claimed by DenSco.

The Chase Defendants reserve the right to seek their attorneys' fees and costs associated with this suit, if allowed by law.

#### VIII. THE EXISTENCE, LOCATION, CUSTODIAN, AND GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ANY TANGIBLE EVIDENCE OR RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THE CHASE DEFENDANTS PLAN TO USE AT TRIAL AND RELEVANT INSURANCE AGREEMENT

The Chase Defendants have not yet determined what their trial exhibits will be and will supplement this disclosure as appropriate. The Chase Defendants anticipate that their trial exhibits may include the documents listed below in § IX of this disclosure, and any supplements and amendments thereto, as well as:

1. All documents attached to or referenced in all pleadings and motions in this matter;

2. All documents attached to or referenced in any party's disclosure statements in this matter, and any supplements thereto;

3. All discovery responses, including documents produced in response to requests for production or subpoenas duces tecum;

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4. All deposition transcripts and exhibits; and

5. All exhibits listed by all other parties in their disclosure statements, and any supplements and amendments thereto, to which the Chase Defendants do not otherwise object, whether withdrawn or not.

In the event any information and documents protected by the attorney-client privilege and/or work product doctrine are disclosed or produced, such disclosure or production is purely inadvertent and not a knowing and intentional waiver of such privilege. In the event any information and documents protected by the attorney-client privilege and/or work product doctrine are disclosed or produced, the Chase Defendants request immediate notification thereof by the other parties and/or their attorneys to the Chase Defendants' counsel pursuant to and as required by ABA Formal Opinion 05-437

(October 1, 2005) and ER 4.4(b), Arizona Rules of Professional Conduct.

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#### IX. A LIST OF DOCUMENTS, OR IN THE CASE OF VOLUMINOUS DOCUMENTARY INFORMATION, A LIST OF THE CATEGORIES OF DOCUMENTS THAT MAY BE RELEVANT TO THIS ACTION

The Chase Defendants possess the following documents which they believe may be relevant to the issues raised in the complaint:

6			DESCRIPTION	BATES RANGE
7 8		1.	Documents and communications produced in response to subpoenas issued in the <i>Clark Hill</i> Action	JPMC_0000001 to JPMC_0001187
9 10		2.	Account statements and records produced in responses to subpoen as previously issued by the Receiver	N/A
11 12	•	3.	Receiver's Statement of Facts in Support of Motion for Determination that Plaintiff Has Made a Prima Facie Case for Punitive Damages	N/A
13		4.	DenSco's 2013 Corporate Journal	N/A
14	•	5.	DenSco's 2014 Corporate Journal	N/A
15	•	6.	DenSco's 2015 Corporate Journal	N/A
16	-	7.	DenSco's 2016 Investor Letter	N/A
17 18	-	8.	Additional Documents to be produced in response to the Receiver's Second Request for the Production of Documents	JPMC_0001188 to JPMC_0001240
19 20		9.	Chase Employee Files	JPMC_0001241 to JPMC_0001286
21		10.	Chase Policies & Procedures	JPMC_0001287 to JPMC_0001349
22 23	•	11.	Chase Employee Susan Lazar Employee Files and Communications	JPMC_0001350 to JPMC_0001999
24	-	12.	Additional Internal Chase Communications	JPMC_0002000 to JPMC_0002049
25 26			Per the agreement of the parties, Chase agreed to	: (1) allow DenSco to withdraw

its first set of written discovery requests; and (2) respond to DenSco's Second Set of

Requests for Production. Subject to and without waiving all objections raised therein,

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Chase discloses that it will produce:

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Emails and communications between Menaged, and the named Chase employees Vikram Dadlani, and Samantha Nelson for the relevant time period that were produced in response to a subpoena issued in the matter captioned *Davis, as Receiver of DenSco Investment Corp., v. Clark Hill PLC, et al.*, No. CV2017-013832 (Superior Court of AZ, Maricopa Cty.) with Bates labels conforming to the scheme for the present case. (*See* RFP Responses ¶¶ 3, 11.)

Policies and procedures regarding cashier's checks during the relevant time of the Third Amended Complaint ("TAC") that were produced in response to a subpoena issued in the matter captioned *Davis, as Receiver of DenSco Investment Corp., v. Clark Hill PLC, et al.*, No. CV2017-013832 (Superior Court of AZ, Maricopa Cty.) with Bates labels conforming to the scheme for the present case. (*See* RFP Responses ¶ 7.)

- Policies and procedures regarding reporting of unusual activities available to branch employees for the time period alleged in the TAC. (See RFP Responses ¶ 8.)
- Policies and procedures regarding the preparation of currency transaction reports available to branch employees for the time period alleged in the TAC. (See RFP Responses ¶ 14.)

Further, after a reasonable search of potentially relevant documents, Chase will produce any responsive and non-privileged documents as set forth below to the extent any such documents exist:

- Emails and communications internal to the bank regarding Menaged, his staff, like
   Veronica Castro, or his personal and Arizona Home Foreclosures, LLC accounts.
   (See RFP Responses ¶ 2.)
- Compliance exception reports, if any such documents are located after a reasonable search. (See RFP Responses ¶ 6.)
  - Policies or procedures relating to deposit hold accounts available to branch

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- employees for the time period alleged in the TAC. (See RFP Responses ¶ 10.)
- Training records for Samantha Nelson and Vikram Dadlani. (See RFP Responses ¶ 12.)
- Documents pertaining to the account opening process available to branch employees for the time period alleged in the TAC, as well as any account profile information for Menaged and Arizona Home Foreclosures, LLC. (See RFP Responses ¶ 15.)
- Loan applications submitted by Menaged or Arizona Home Foreclosures, LLC, if any, for the time period alleged in the TAC. (*See* RFP Responses ¶ 16.)
- Vikram Dadlani, Samantha Nelson, and Susan Lazar's employment files and compensation histories for the time period alleged in the TAC. (See RFP Responses ¶ 17.)
- Documents pertaining or related to increasing any financial limits regarding banking by Menaged and Arizona Home Foreclosures, LLC, if any, for the time period alleged in the TAC. (See RFP Responses ¶ 18.)
- Documents, if any, related to Case #5682556 and Case #5763950. (See RFP Responses ¶¶ 20, 21.)

The Chase Defendants may be in possession of additional documents relevant to this action. The Chase Defendants respectfully submit that the Receiver, through its investigation and through discovery in the *Clark Hill* Action is in possession of voluminous documents that may be relevant to the claims and defenses in this action. Discovery has just begun in this matter, and the Chase Defendants reserve the right to identify additional documents and to amend or supplement this disclosure statement accordingly.

25 X. <u>SOURCES</u>

As provided in Rule 26.1, this disclosure includes required disclosures of information and documents in the Chase Defendants' possession, custody, and control at this time, and such required information and documents as have been ascertained or

1	acquired by reasonable inquiry to date. The Chase Defendants base their disclosure, in
2	part, on information from documents and witnesses, and this disclosure is not a party
3	statement or admission by the Chase Defendants. The Chase Defendants reserve the right
4	to supplement or amend this disclosure.
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6	Dated this 9th day of August, 2021.
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