

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SPOKANE

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Plaintiff,

VS.

DOG SCIENCES, LLC ET. AL.,

Defendants.

Case No. 23-2-00428-32

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO PRECLUDE IMPROPER EX PARTE CONTACT WITH CLASS MEMBERS

This matter came before the Court on Plaintiff's MOTION TO PRECLUDE IMPROPER EX PARTE CONTACT WITH CLASS MEMBERS. The Court considered the following relevant pleadings:

- 1. Plaintiff's Motion to Preclude Improper Ex Parte Contact with Class Members;
- 2. Declaration of Casey Bruner in Support;
- 3. Defendants' Response;
- 4. Declaration of David Bingaman;
- 5. Declaration of Mary Davies;

DAVID BINGAMAN, WSBA #40586

6. Plaintiffs' Reply;

The court finds:

- 1. Defendants' Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. Defendants SHALL produce and / or explain all communications they have had, their agents have had, or their counsel has had, with class members about the litigation since it was orally certified on August 11, 2023.
- 3. Defendants SHALL NOT have any communication with any class member about the litigation unless and until that member receives appropriate, court approved notice and affirmatively decides to opt out.
- 4. The previously approved class notice shall include the language:

"Mary Davies, DOG SCIENCES, LLC, and their agents may not communicate with you about this notice or this lawsuit and may not retaliate against you for not opting out of the class."

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