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AUTHORIZATION TO COMMUNICATE VIA E-MAIL

I recognize that e-mail is an inherently risky way to communicate. E-mail communications are often more susceptible to interception than are many other forms of communication.

E-mail is also easier to forward than are other forms of communication. I recognize that if I forward e-mail, the e-mail and the content thereof becomes the property of the person to whom I forward the e-mail, and can be forwarded by that person to any other person, including the opposing party or counsel for the other party in any matter in which I may have an interest. I have been warned by Steven A. Heinrich of this fact, and have been advised never to forward to any other person or entity any e-mail or any portion of any e-mail that I send to Steven A. Heinrich, or that Steven A. Heinrich sends to me.

I also recognize that e-mail inherently has higher chances of being misdirected or misaddressed, or even being posted to a list serve or other group inadvertently. I recognize that I could do this inadvertently, that Steven A. Heinrich or members of his staff could do this, or that third persons who are a party to any communication could do this, both with regard to material I produce, and with regard to material that these other people produce.

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I acknowledge that it is generally against the advice of Steven A. Heinrich for me to communicate about my case by e-mail, but I have chosen to do so in any case.

I authorize Steven A. Heinrich to communicate with me by e-mail using any address I may use to send e-mails to Steven A. Heinrich or that I may subsequently instruct Steven A. Heinrich to use, specifically including the e-mail address I have written below, which I will use to send an initial test e-mail to Steven A. Heinrich at Steve@CorvallisLegal.com, to initially establish e-mail communication.

I also understand that e-mail communication will likely be handled in the ordinary course of business, and may not be reviewed or responded to more rapidly than would communications sent by other methods, and that, whether or not set forth in my fee agreement, responses to e-mails will be treated and billed as letters, with in most cases a 0.3 hour minimum charge applying.

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Signature

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E-mail Address