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13	FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - CENTRAL DISTRICT		
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15	JANICE DICKINSON, an individual,	CASE NO. BC 580909	
16	Plaintiff,	[Hon. Debre Katz Weintraub - Dept. 47]	
17	V.	DEFENDANT WILLIAM H. COSBY, JR.'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR:	
18	WILLIAM H. COSBY, JR., an individual; and DOES 1 through 100, Inclusive,	(1) ORDER SHORTENING TIME TO	
19 20	Defendants.	HEAR PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO LIFT STAY OF DISCOVERY IMPOSED BY	
21		CCP § 425.16(g); AND	
22		(2) ORDER TO CONTINUE HEARING DATES RE DEFENDANT'S ANTI-SLAPP	
23		MOTION AND DEMURRER, AND RESPECTIVE DEADLINES FOR	
24		SUBMISSION OF PLAINTIFF'S BRIEFS IN OPPOSITION	
25		DATE: September 21, 2015 TIME: 8:30 A.M.	
26		DEPT.: 47	
27		Complaint Filed: May 20, 2015	
28		Complaint Finds. 1949 20, 2010	
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INTRODUCTION

Plaintiff Janice Dickinson is inexplicably asking this Court to permit her to file on shortened time a meritless motion she could have filed months ago on regular statutory notice to ask the Court to lift the mandatory discovery stay imposed by Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16(g). Without any good cause justifying Plaintiff's untimely eleventh hour *ex parte* application, she wants an expedited briefing schedule for a motion arguing that she ought to be able to depose Defendant and his litigation attorney prior to the hearing on Defendant's anti-SLAPP Motion, notwithstanding the legislative intent of the anti-SLAPP statute prohibiting such discovery in cases like this.

Ms. Dickinson used the national media as a platform to make outlandish accusations that she had been assaulted more than 30 years ago by Defendant William H. Cosby, Jr. She followed up those accusations up by filing this meritless defamation action against Mr. Cosby after his litigation counsel responded to Ms. Dickinson's accusations in a privileged pre-litigation demand letter and related statement. On June 22, 2015, Mr. Cosby filed a Special Motion to Strike Plaintiff's Complaint pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16 ("anti-SLAPP Motion") on the grounds that Ms. Dickinson's specious claims fall within the scope of the anti-SLAPP statute and should be stricken because she will be unable to meet her burden of establishing a probability of success on the merits.

The anti-SLAPP motion was filed three months ago, on June 22, 2015, and it is set for hearing on October 15, 2015. (Goldman Decl., ¶3.) Since that time, Plaintiff's counsel have been quite cognizant of Section 425.16(g)'s mandatory discovery stay in this case, as evidenced by a letter from Plaintiff's counsel on July 2, 2015, stating "...discovery proceedings have been stayed upon Defendant's filing of Notice of Special Motion to Strike Plaintiff's Complaint." (Goldman Decl., ¶4, Exh. "A.") Furthermore, over a month ago, Plaintiff's counsel indicated that she might move to lift the mandatory discovery stay, and Plaintiff's CMC Statement filed back in mid-

August specifically identified a Motion to Lift Stay of Discovery as something she expected to file. (Goldman Decl., ¶6, Exh. "B," pg. 4.) Still, no such noticed motion was filed.

Meanwhile, since filing this lawsuit, Plaintiff's counsel Lisa Bloom found the time to make numerous national media appearances, including at least half a dozen to talk about this case or Mr. Cosby. (Goldman Decl., ¶8, Exh. "C.")

After Plaintiff's counsel skipped attendance at the Case Management Conference on September 2, 2015, they waited until now to rush in *ex parte* asking the Court to impose an expedited briefing schedule on Defendant to oppose her dilatory motion asking the Court to lift CCP § 425.16(g)'s mandatory discovery stay. (Goldman Decl., ¶7.)

Now, without any reasonable justification and without any good cause, Plaintiff is asking for shortened time to hear a specious motion that could have been filed on proper statutory notice a long time ago (if at all). It is a motion which, if filed, would lack any merit since Plaintiff will be unable to demonstrate good cause to conduct discovery that would establish a *prima facie* case of defamation, particularly since the alleged defamation is protected by the litigation privilege in Civil Code § 47(b). The utter lack of merit to any motion seeking leave to depose Mr. Cosby and Mr. Singer prior to the anti-SLAPP Motion being decided is further reason that the *ex parte* application should be denied.

The purpose of the stay on discovery automatically imposed by CCP § 425.16(g) when an anti-SLAPP motion is filed is to protect defendants from discovery burdens and to minimize expense pending resolution of the motion. *Mattel, Inc. v. Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps*, 99 Cal.App.4th 1179, 1189-90, 121 Cal.Rptr. 2d, 794, 801 (2002). Allowing Plaintiff to waltz into Court now with an untimely motion to lift the discovery stay and to have it heard on shortened time with a truncated briefing schedule would subvert those principles.

There are at least three attorneys working on this case at The Bloom Firm (Lisa Bloom, Jivaka Candappa, and Nadia Taghizadeh). (Goldman Decl.,  $\P 9$ .) A motion to lift the discovery stay could have been filed long ago on regular statutory notice. The fact that Plaintiff is instead applying *ex parte* at the eleventh hour thwarts Section 425.16(g)'s requirement for a noticed

motion based on good cause. The absence of good cause for the *ex parte* was pointed out by defense counsel in a letter to Plaintiff's counsel. (Goldman Decl., ¶9, Exh. "D.")

It would be highly prejudicial to Defendant to grant Plaintiff's untimely *ex parte* application, permitting her to file a delinquent motion to lift the mandatory discovery stay, and setting an expedited briefing schedule on an issue of such great significance as permitting discovery of Mr. Cosby and his litigation counsel. Plaintiff's application should be denied.

II.

# THERE IS NO GOOD CAUSE TO GRANT AN OST TO HEAR A MERITLESS MOTION TO LIFT THE MANDATORY CCP § 425.16(g) DISCOVERY STAY OR TO CONTINUE THE ANTI-SLAPP AND DEMURRER HEARINGS

An Order Shortening Time must be "supported by a declaration showing good cause" for the Order. California Rule of Court 3.1300(b). What is the "good cause" for Plaintiff's dilatory application for shortened time? There is none.

After having the anti-SLAPP Motion in hand for three long months, and after first raising the issue of seeking to lift the mandatory discovery stay more than a month ago, Plaintiff is running into Court *ex parte* seeking an order shortening the time to hear a motion for leave to lift the mandatory automatic discovery stay under Section 425.16(g)<sup>1</sup>, and to delay the hearings on Defendant's anti-SLAPP Motion and Demurrer because she wants to depose Mr. Cosby and his litigation counsel.

An *ex parte* applicant "must make an affirmative factual showing in a declaration containing competent testimony based on personal knowledge of irreparable harm, immediate danger, or any other statutory basis for granting relief ex parte." California Rule of Court

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16(g) provides:

<sup>&</sup>quot;All discovery proceedings in the action shall be stayed upon the filing of a notice of motion made pursuant to this section. The stay of discovery shall remain in effect until notice of entry of the order ruling on the motion. The court, on noticed motion and for good cause shown, may order that specified discovery be conducted notwithstanding this subdivision." (Emph. added.)

3.1202(c). Here, there is no valid basis justifying the requested relief. Since filing this lawsuit, Plaintiff's counsel has found the time to make her case in the press and to chat with the media. (Goldman Decl., ¶8, Exh. "C.") Her failure to get around to filing a motion sooner is not "good cause" *ex parte* relief, particularly when she is attempting to shoehorn her way into Court to lift Section 425.16(g)'s mandatory discovery stay so that she can take impermissible depositions of Mr. Cosby and his litigation counsel.

Long before now, Plaintiff's counsel could have easily filed a *properly noticed motion* seeking to lift the discovery stay. The Bloom Firm has three lawyers working on this case. (Goldman Decl., ¶9.) They pointed out the mandatory discovery stay back on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. (Goldman Decl., ¶4, Exh. "A.") They have been thinking about filing a motion to lift the discovery stay for at least a month. (Goldman Decl., ¶¶5-6, 10, Exh. "B.") They have had the luxury of literally having months so far to prepare opposition to the anti-SLAPP Motion. (Goldman Decl., ¶3.) By the time their anti-SLAPP opposition is due, Plaintiff's counsel will have had *more than 100 days* to work on the opposition.

In *Tutor-Saliba v. Herrera*, the court properly denied an ex parte application to lift the discovery stay when the plaintiff waited four months after an anti-SLAPP motion was filed before bringing the application, and the anti-SLAPP motion argued that the alleged defamatory statements were absolutely privileged under Civil Code § 47. *Tutor-Saliba Corp. v. Herrera*, 136 Cal. App. 4th 604 (2006). Similar to Ms. Dickinson, the plaintiff in *Tutor-Saliba* made an *ex parte* application four months after the anti-SLAPP motion was filed, seeking leave to conduct discovery before opposing plaintiff's anti-SLAPP motion. That *ex parte* application was denied and the anti-SLAPP motion was granted. The court of appeal held that the trial court did not abuse its discretion in denying plaintiff's discovery request due to lack of timeliness and because plaintiff failed to make a good cause showing that the discovery sought would overcome the privilege and establish a prima face case for defamation. *Tutor-Saliba, supra*, 136 Cal. App. 4<sup>th</sup> at 617-18. This Court should likewise deny Plaintiff's *ex parte* application for the same reasons.

Under these circumstances, there is no good cause for the requested relief, and it would be highly prejudicial and unfair to grant the *ex parte*, to allow Plaintiff to file her motion to lift

the discovery stay, and to deprive Defendant of statutory time to prepare opposition to a motion that could potentially have such significant consequences subverting the legislative goal of protecting defendants from being required to engage in discovery in a meritless SLAPP case.

Indeed, "not only did the Legislature desire early resolution to minimize the potential costs of protracted litigation, it also sought to protect defendants from the burden of traditional discovery pending resolution of the motion." *Mattel, Inc. v. Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps,* 99 Cal.App.4th 1179, 1189-90 (2002). Granting Plaintiff's *ex parte* application would be counter to the legislative protections put in place to prevent burdensome discovery while an anti-SLAPP motion is pending. The fact that Section 425.16(g) expressly requires a *noticed motion* and a *showing of good cause* before allowing discovery underscores why it would be inappropriate to allow Plaintiff to squeeze in her requested motion to lift the discovery stay.

The Court may permit discovery only "[i]f the plaintiff makes a timely and proper showing in response to the motion to strike, that a defendant or witness possesses evidence needed by plaintiff to establish a *prima facie* case ...." *Lafayette Morehouse, Inc. v. The Chronicle Publishing Co.*, 37 Cal.App.4th 855, 868 (1995). Accordingly, if Plaintiff is permitted to file her untimely motion to lift the discovery stay, her attempt to obtain permission to depose Mr. Cosby and his litigation attorney would nevertheless fail on the merits given that Plaintiff failed to act in a timely manner and would be unable to make a proper showing justifying the discovery to oppose the anti-SLAPP Motion. Defendant should not be put to the burden of opposing such a motion, however.

Importantly, in order to serve the legislative intent of the anti-SLAPP statute, it is inappropriate to be lenient in ruling on requests to allow discovery since the legislative intent underlying the anti-SLAPP statute requires a plaintiff to have evidence that her claim is viable before she files suit. See, e.g., Ludwig v. Sup. Ct., 37 Cal.App.4th 8, 16 (1995) ("an overly-lenient standard would be wholly inappropriate, given that the statute is intended to 'provid[e] a fast and inexpensive unmasking and dismissal of SLAPP's.' \* \* The legislative intent is best served by an interpretation which would require a plaintiff to marshal facts sufficient to show the viability of the action before filing a SLAPP suit."), quoting Wilcox v. Sup.

Ct., 27 Cal.App.4th 809, 823 (1994). Here, Plaintiff is attempting to subvert the anti-SLAPP statute's legislative intent by asking this Court to allow her to file a dilatory motion with an expedited briefing schedule pushing for impermissible discovery.

The Court may permit discovery only "[i]f the plaintiff makes a timely and proper showing in response to the motion to strike, that a defendant or witness possesses evidence needed by plaintiff to establish a prima facie case...." *Lafayette Morehouse, Inc. v. The Chronicle Publishing Co.*, 37 Cal.App.4th 855, 868 (1995). If Plaintiff is permitted to file her specious motion, she will be unable to meet that burden. *See, e.g., Tutor-Saliba, supra,* 136 Cal.App.4th at 618 (court properly refused to allow discovery to establish *prima facie* case of defamation where alleged defamation was absolutely privileged); *Sipple v. Foundation For Nat'l Progress,* 71 Cal.App.4th 226, 247 (1999) (discovery is not permitted for the purpose of "testing" the declarations submitted by defendants supporting anti-SLAPP motion); *1-800 Contacts, Inc. v. Steinberg,* 107 Cal.App.4th 568, 593 (2003) (good cause for discovery should include facts plaintiff expects to uncover; "Discovery may not be obtained merely to 'test' the opponent's declarations.").

The anti-SLAPP Statute was enacted so that courts could "dismiss at an early stage nonmeritorious litigation meant to chill the valid exercise of the constitutional rights of freedom of speech and petition in connection with a public issue." *Sipple*, 71 Cal.App.4th at 235. Accordingly, the anti-SLAPP Motion should be heard as scheduled on October 15, 2015 without first hearing a motion seeking to lift Section 425.16(g)'s mandatory discovery stay.

III.

### **CONCLUSION**

There is no good cause for the requested *ex parte* relief. It would be inequitable and highly prejudicial to allow Plaintiff to bring a motion to lift the discovery stay at the eleventh hour, especially since Plaintiff had months to do so on proper notice. Moreover, imposing an expedited and shortened briefing schedule on Defendant for an issue of such great significance

1	would be highly prejudicial. Accordingly, Plaintiff's Ex Parte Application for an OST to hear
2	Plaintiff's Motion to Lift Stay of Discovery, and to continue the hearing dates on Defendant's
3	anti-SLAPP Motion and Demurrer should be denied.
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5	DATED: September 21, 2015  PATTERSON BELKNAP WEBB & TYLER LLP Robert P. LoBue ( <i>Pro Hac Vice</i> )
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### DECLARATION OF LYNDA B. GOLDMAN

I, Lynda B. Goldman, declare and state:

- I am an attorney at law licensed to practice before all of the courts in the State of 1. California, and am a member of Lavely & Singer Professional Corporation, counsel of record for William H. Cosby, Jr. ("Defendant"), Defendant herein. The facts stated herein are of my own personal knowledge and, if called and sworn as a witness, I could and would competently testify thereto. As to those matters stated on the basis of information and belief, I am so informed and believe those matters to be true.
- There is no good cause to permit Plaintiff to file a motion seeking leave to lift the 2. mandatory discovery stay pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure, § 425.16(g) seeking to permit Plaintiff to depose Mr. Cosby and his litigation counsel, Martin D. Singer, nor is there good cause to set the hearing on that motion on shortened time with an expedited briefing schedule. Nor is there good cause to continue the hearings on Defendant's Anti-SLAPP Motion and Demurrer.
- On June 22, 2015, I caused to be filed with this Court Defendant's Special Motion 3. to Strike Plaintiff's Complaint pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure, § 425.16 ("anti-SLAPP Motion"), as well as Defendant's Demurrer to Plaintiff's Complaint. The hearing on the anti-SLAPP Motion was initially scheduled for October 6, 2015. The hearing date was subsequently continued to October 15, 2015 after the case was transferred to Department 47. The hearing on Defendant's Demurrer is currently set for November 2, 2015.
- Plaintiff's counsel have been cognizant of Section 425.16(g)'s mandatory 4. discovery stay in this action since at least July 2, 2015, as evidenced by a letter of that date I received from Nadia Taghizadeh of The Bloom Firm withdrawing a subpoena and stating "...discovery proceedings have been stayed upon Defendant's filing of Notice of Special Motion to Strike Plaintiff's Complaint." A true and correct copy of that letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "A." Following that July 2, 2015 letter, no noticed motion seeking to lift the discovery stay was filed.

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- 5. Approximately one month ago, on August 17, 2015, co-counsel Robert P. LoBue and I had a telephonic meet-and-confer discussion with Ms. Taghizadeh regarding the Case Management Conference. Ms. Taghizadeh asked whether Defendant would stipulate to lift the CCP § 425.16(g) discovery stay. I informed Ms. Taghizadeh that we would not stipulate to lift the mandatory discovery stay. Among other reasons, I noted the purpose and policy for the mandatory stay of discovery provided by Sub-section (g) of CCP § 425.16. During that telephone conversation, Ms. Taghizadeh indicated that Plaintiff might bring a motion seeking to lift the discovery stay.
- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff's Case Management Statement served on August 18, 2015. On page 4, it identifies "Plaintiff's Motion to Lift Stay of Discovery" as a motion that the Plaintiff expected to file. No such motion was filed, however.
- 7. During the telephonic meet-and-confer on August 17, 2015, Mr. LoBue asked Ms. Taghizadeh whether she would stipulate to postpone the then upcoming Case Management Conference until after the hearing on the anti-SLAPP Motion, so that the parties could avoid the time and expense of an unnecessary court appearance. Ms. Taghizadeh said that she would get back to us later in the week after conferring with Lisa Bloom. She did not do so. My partner, Andrew B. Brettler, therefore appeared at the Case Management Conference on September 2, 2015, and Mr. LoBue appeared telephonically. There was no appearance at the Case Management Conference by Plaintiff's counsel.
- 8. Attached hereto as Exhibit "C" are true and correct copies of materials published on the "MEDIA APPEARANCES" page of The Bloom Firm's website at the following URL's:

http://www.thebloomfirm.com/media-appearances/

http://www.thebloomfirm.com/media-appearances/page/2/

These materials state that they are "a few examples" of Ms. Bloom's national media appearances, and they include more than a dozen appearances since the anti-SLAPP Motion was filed, at least 17 appearances since the Complaint was filed, and includes at least half a dozen appearances to talk about Mr. Cosby and/or this case specifically.

- 9. Attached hereto as Exhibit "D" is a true and correct copy of my letter dated September 17, 2015 to Jivaka Candappa, Esq. of The Bloom Firm informing him the Defendant would oppose Plaintiff's instant *ex parte* application. Mr. Candappa is one of three attorneys I am aware have been working on this case at The Bloom Firm (Lisa Bloom, Jivaka Candappa, and Nadia Taghizadeh).
- month ago Plaintiff's counsel specifically indicated that Plaintiff was been considering bringing a motion to lift the discovery stay. Accordingly, there is no good cause to permit Plaintiff to file the motion at this late date and to burden Defendant with the time and expense of opposing it. Nor is there good cause to set such a motion for hearing on shortened time, prejudicing Defendant by depriving him of the statutory time to prepare opposition to a motion that could have been filed months ago and heard on regular statutory notice. It would be highly prejudicial to permit Plaintiff to file the motion, and to limit Defendant to an expedited briefing schedule to oppose a significant motion seeking to lift the discovery stay.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 21st day of September, 2015, at Los Angeles, California.



July 2, 2015

### VIA U.S. MAIL AND READ RECEIPT E-MAIL:

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Re: Janice Dickinson v. William H. Cosby, Jr., LASC # BC 580909

### Dear Counsel:

As discovery proceedings have been stayed upon Defendant's filing of Notice of Special Motion to Strike Plaintiff's Complaint, Plaintiff withdraws the Deposition Subpoenas for Production of Business Records to Momentous Insurance requesting copies of Defendant's insurance policies.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Very truly yours,

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PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Janice Dickinson			
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: William H. Cosby, Jr.			
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3. Service (to be answered by plaintiffs and cross-complainants only)			
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10. c. Indicate the ADR process or processes that the party or parties are willing to participate in, have agreed to participate in, or have already participated in *(check all that apply and provide the specified information)*:

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12. Jurisdiction Indicate any matters that may affect the court's jurisdiction or processing of this case and Bankruptcy Other (specify): Status:	describe the status.
13. Related cases, consolidation, and coordination  a.  There are companion, underlying, or related cases.  (1) Name of case: AIG Property Casualty Company v. William H. Cosby (2) Name of court: United States District Court, Central District of Califor (3) Case number: 2:15-cv-04842 (4) Status: Complaint Filed  Additional cases are described in Attachment 13a.  b.  A motion to consolidate coordinate will be filed by (ne	nia, Western Division
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15. Other motions	
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<ul> <li>16. Discovery</li> <li>a. The party or parties have completed all discovery.</li> <li>b. The following discovery will be completed by the date specified (describe all an Party</li> </ul> Description	ticipated discovery): <u>Date</u>
<ul> <li>The following discovery issues, including issues regarding the discovery of electronic anticipated (specify):         <ul> <li>On account of Defendant's pending Anti-SLAPP motion, discovery has several discovery issues due to the sensitive nature of the facts and un discovery issues have yet to materialize due to the discovery stay.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	been stayed. Plaintiff anticipates

CM-110 CASE NUMBER: Janice Dickinson PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: BC580909 William H. Cosby, Jr. DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: 17. Economic litigation This is a limited civil case (i.e., the amount demanded is \$25,000 or less) and the economic litigation procedures in Code of Civil Procedure sections 90-98 will apply to this case. This is a limited civil case and a motion to withdraw the case from the economic litigation procedures or for additional discovery will be filed (if checked, explain specifically why economic litigation procedures relating to discovery or trial should not apply to this case): 18. Other issues The party or parties request that the following additional matters be considered or determined at the case management conference (specify): Given the current stay on discovery, we are looking at a potential trial date as late as 2017. A lifting of the discovery stay would allow for an earlier resolution of this matter. 19. Meet and confer a. The party or parties have met and conferred with all parties on all subjects required by rule 3.724 of the California Rules of Court (if not, explain): b. After meeting and conferring as required by rule 3.724 of the California Rules of Court, the parties agree on the following (specify): 20. Total number of pages attached (if any): I am completely familiar with this case and will be fully prepared to discuss the status of discovery and alternative dispute resolution, as well as other issues raised by this statement, and will possess the authority to enter into stipulations on these issues at the time of the case management conference, including the written authority of the party where required. Date: 8/18/2015 Nadia Taghizadeh (TYPE OR PRINT NAME) TURE OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY) (TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (SIGNATURE OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY) Additional signatures are attached.

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We write in response to your letter of September 16, 2015 stating your intention to proceed with an *ex parte* application seeking (1) shortened time to hear Plaintiff's motion to lift the stay of discovery in order to depose Messrs. Cosby and Singer, and (2) to continue the hearing dates on Defendant's Anti-SLAPP Motion and Demurrer and the related opposition deadlines.

We will not agree to shorten the briefing time to hear Plaintiff's motion to lift the mandatory discovery stay on an expedited basis, nor will we agree to continue the hearings on the Anti-SLAPP Motion and Demurrer. There is no good cause for your planned *ex parte* application, and we intend to oppose it. Any motion seeking to lift the discovery stay would likewise lack merit and it will be opposed if filed.

It would be highly prejudicial to force Defendant to oppose a motion seeking to lift the mandatory discovery stay of Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16(g) on a shortened and expedited briefing schedule. Especially since such a motion could have been filed by your office literally months ago as a regular noticed motion, there is no good cause for your request. The utter lack of merit to any motion seeking leave to depose Mr. Cosby and Mr. Singer prior to the anti-SLAPP Motion being decided is further reason that your *ex parte* application should be denied.

Please provide a copy of your ex parte papers for our review as soon as they are available.

Very truly yours,

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