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8	IN AND FOR THE	COUNTY OF KING
9	, individually,	Case No. 21-2-08166-1 SEA
10	Plaintiff,	DECLARATION OF BENJAMIN STONE IN
11	vs.	SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS
12		AND AQUARIUMS INC. D/B/A
13	AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND AQUARIUMS	ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS' MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER RE
14	INC. D/B/A ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS, A MARYLAND	PLAINTIFF'S FIRST INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION
15	CORPORATION DOING BUSINESS IN	AND REQUESTS FOR FRODUCTION
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10	Benjamin Stone declares and states:		
11	1. I am an attorney for defendant American Association Of Zoological Parks And		
12	Aquariums Inc. D/B/A Association Of Zoos & Aquariums, ("AZA") in this case. I am over 18,		
13 14	competent to give testimony, and base this declaration on personal knowledge.		
14	2. Defendant AZA intends to respond to Plaintiff's complaint with a motion to		
13 16	dismiss pursuant to CR 12(b)(6) and will file it prior to the deadline to respond to the Complaint,		
17	August 28, 2021.		
18	3. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of an email from my office		
19	to Plaintiff's counsel on August 6, 2021 notifying them of our intention to file a motion to		
20	dismiss as requesting discovery responses be postponed until after the Court ruled on the motion.		
21	4. Plaintiff's counsel did not respond to the email.		
22	5. Upon receiving no response, my office also attempted to reach counsel by		
23	telephone on Monday August 9 but was unable to connect with anyone to discuss the request.		
24	6. Out of an abundance of caution and to ensure Plaintiff could not argue any		
25	objections were waived, Defendant served its initial objections to the Discovery Requests on the		
26	deadline to do so August 9. These objections noted that AZA would be moving to dismiss the		
27	complaint and that responses would be supplemented following the ruling of the Court.		
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1	7. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff's First Set Of	
2	Interrogatories And Requests For Production Of Documents To Defendant American	
3	Association Of Zoological Parks And Aquariums, Inc D/B/A Association Of Zoos & Aquariums	
4	With Answers And Objections Thereto which were served on August 9, 2021.	
5	8. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a true and correct copy of an email from	
6	Plaintiff's counsel requesting a conference regarding the discovery responses dated August 9.	
7	9. On August 11, 2021, I had a telephonic conference with counsel for Plaintiff	
8	pursuant to CR 26(c) in an effort to resolve our disagreement over whether to postpone	
9	substantive responses to the Discovery Responses until after the motion to dismiss was ruled on.	
10	We were unable to resolve our disagreement.	
11	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington in Seattle,	
12	Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct.	
13	Sworn this 11th of August 2021 at Seattle, Washington.	
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15	Signed: <u>s/Benjamin Stone</u>	
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	Seattle, Washington 98101 206.436.2020 4847-1710-4630.1	

1	DECLADATIO	N OF SEDVICE
2	DECLARATION OF SERVICE	
3	I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that I	
4	caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing	g to be served via the methods below on August
5	11, 2021 on the following counsel/party of recor	d:
6	Plaintiff's Counsel	□ via U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid
7	Marty D. McLean, WSBA #33269	□ via Legal Messenger Hand Delivery
0	Jacob Berman, (Pro Hac Vice forthcoming) HAGENS BERMAN SOBOL SHAPIRO	□ via Facsimile ☑ via King County e-Service
8	LLP	via E-mail per Eservice Agreement:
9	1301 Second Avenue, Suite 2000	martym@hbsslaw.com
10	Seattle, WA 9810 I	jakeb@hbsslaw.com
10	(206) 623-7292 / (206) 623-0594 Fax	sharonj@hbsslaw.com
11	Digintiff's Counsel	U via U.S. Mail first alogg postage propoid
12	Plaintiff's Counsel Elizabeth Hanley, WSBA #38233	□ via U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid □ via Legal Messenger Hand Delivery
14	SCHROETER GOLDMARK & BENDER	□ via Facsimile
13	810 Third Avenue, Suite 500	🗷 via King County e-Service
14	Seattle, WA 98104	☑ via E-mail per Eservice Agreement:
14	(206) 622-8000 / (206) 682-2305 Fax	hanley@sgb-law.com
15		Preskenis@sgb-law.com
16	Counsel for Defendant Schwetz	□ via U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid
16	Suzanne K. Michael, WSBA #14072 Matthew J. Macario, WSBA #26522	□ via Legal Messenger Hand Delivery □ via Facsimile
17	FISHER & PHILLIPS LLP	☑ via Facshine ☑ via King County e-Service
10	1201 3rd Avenue, Suite 2750	☑ via E-mail per Eservice Agreement:
18	Seattle, WA 98101	smichael@fisherphillips.com
19	(206) 247-7010 / (206) 682-7908 Fax	mmacario@fisherphillips.com
		lxgray@fisherphillips.com
20		lwidmer@fisherphillips.com
21	Dated August 11, 2021 at Seattle, Washing	ngton.
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23	s/Logan Platvoet	
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# Exhibit A

#### Platvoet, Logan

From:	Macklin, Sarah		
Sent:	Friday, August 6, 2021 3:00 PM		
То:	Sharon Johnson; martym@hbsslaw.com; jakeb@hbsslaw.com; hanley@sqb-law.com; preskenis@sqb-law.com		
Cc:	c: Stone, Benjamin; Platvoet, Logan; Lewis, Angela; mmacario@fisherphillips.com; smichael@fisherphillips.co		
	lwidmer@fisherphillips.com; Foster, Tami; lxgray@fisherphillips.com		
Subject:	American Association of Zoological Parks, et al.		

Good afternoon,

I see discovery directed at AZA was served along with the Complaint and Summons. We intend to file a motion to dismiss the Complaint on behalf of our clients and request that the discovery responses be delayed until after the Court has had the opportunity to rule on our motion. If you'd like to discuss this request, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Best, Sarah

Sarah D. Macklin Attorney Seattle 206.455.7407 or x2067407

## Exhibit B

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12	AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF	OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND
13 14	ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND AQUARIUMS INC. D/B/A ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS &	AQUARIUMS, INC d/b/a ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS <b>WITH ANSWERS</b>
14	AQUARIUMS, A MARYLAND CORPORATION DOING BUSINESS IN	AND OBJECTIONS THERETO
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5	RONDA SCHWETZ, A RESIDENT OF THE
6	STATE OF WISCONSIN, INDIVIDUALLY
	AND THE MARITAL COMMUNITY
,	COMPOSED THEREOF,
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Defendants.

#### I. INSTRUCTIONS

1. These Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents are served on you in accordance with Rules 26, 33 and 34 of the Washington Civil Rules.

2. You must answer the following interrogatories under oath, and produce documents, electronically stored information, and other tangible things to Hagens Berman Sobol Shapiro LLP within forty days (40) days after these discovery requests are served upon you. Thereafter, you must supplement your responses as required under Civil Rule 26.

3. In responding to the Requests for Production, Washington Civil Rules require you to organize and label your production to correspond with the particular discovery request to which the documents are responsive, unless you choose to produce documents as they are kept in the usual course of business (e.g., if you elect to produce an entire electronic file).

4. For electronically stored information ("ESI"), please contact our office immediately so that we may discuss an efficient approach to retrieving and producing such information. Emails and other electronically store information should be produced with Optical Character Recognition ("OCR") searchable text. Acceptable formats include searchable Portable Document Format ("PDF") files, multi-page Tagged Image File Format ("TIFF" or "TIF") with a companion OCR or extracted text file, and single-page TIFFs with load files for e-discovery software (i.e., DAT or OPT) that includes metadata fields.

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6. Finally, if you lodge an objection to one or more of these requests, please indicate to which part of the particular request you object and whether you have in fact withheld documents or information on the basis of your objection, so that Plaintiff may have an opportunity to cure the objection and so that the Court has an opportunity to rule on it.

#### II. **DEFINITIONS**

1. "You" or "your" refers to the Defendant American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums, Inc. d/b/a Association of Zoos & Aquariums ("AZA") and anyone acting or purporting to act on its behalf, including without limitation, current and former employees, agents, investigators, officers, shareholders, attorneys, and representatives.

2. "Document" includes all items contemplated by Civil Rule 34, including information stored in paper form, electronically, or by some other means. Electronically stored information ("ESI") - such as emails, images, drawings, texts, instant messages, Microsoft Word files, Excel spreadsheets, PowerPoint slides, etc. - should be produced in native, .tiff, .pdf, or some other reasonably usable and searchable format with all metadata intact.

3. "Identify" when used in relation to a person means to provide the name, last known address, telephone number, job title (if applicable), and relation to Defendant. When used in relation to a company or organization, "identify" means to provide the full name of the entity, the address of company headquarters (if applicable), and the name of a natural person within the organization who has knowledge of the matters inquired about. When used in reference to a document, it means to state the date on which the document was last saved, the author, the number of pages, the title, and the present custodian.

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIONS**

These General Objections to Plaintiff's First Set Of Interrogatories And Requests For Production Of Documents To Defendant American Association Of Zoological Parks And Aquariums, Inc d/b/a Association Of Zoos & Aquariums ("Discovery Requests") are

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND AQUARIUMS, INC d/b/a ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS **WITH ANSWERS AND OBJECTIONS THERETO** - 3 4835-8416-7413.1 incorporated in each response below as if repeated and stated separately in each response. These
General Objections form a part of the answer to each Interrogatory and part of the response to
each Request for Production and are set forth here to avoid duplication and repetition. Certain of
the General Objections may be specifically referenced in answer or response to certain
Interrogatories or Requests for Production for purposes of clarity. However, the failure to
specifically refer to a General Objection is not a waiver of same, even if other General
Objections are specifically referenced in an answer to an Interrogatory or in a response to a
Request for Production.

1. Defendant's answers and responses to the Interrogatories and Requests for Production are based upon information presently known and documents presently available to it and its counsel. Discovery in this matter is on-going and Defendant reserves the right to amend, supplement, or withdraw any objection, answer, or response to the extent permitted under all relevant Washington Civil Rules, King County Local Rules, and/or any Case Management Scheduling Order.

2. Defendant objects to the Interrogatories and Requests for Production, particularly the "Instructions" and "Definitions," to the extent they attempt to impose any obligation beyond or inconsistent with the obligations imposed by the Washington Civil Rules, any Case Management Scheduling Order entered in this case, and/or any applicable local court rule.

4. Defendant objects to the Interrogatories and Requests of Production to the extent they seek information protected from disclosure by the attorney-client privilege; work-product doctrine; joint-defense privilege; a confidentiality provision, agreement or order in this or another matter; and/or any other applicable protection. Defendant's responses herein will be limited to non-privileged and otherwise unprotected responsive information.

5. Defendant objects to the Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they seek information or documents generated or authored after Defendant was served in the above-captioned lawsuit. These documents and communications are protected by the attorneyclient privilege, joint defense privilege, and/or work product doctrine. Producing a privilege log

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with respect to these documents and communications would itself reveal Defendant's and its attorneys' work product, and is therefore not required under the Civil Rules. 2

6. Defendant objects to the Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they seek information or documents not in the possession, custody, or control of Defendant.

7. Defendant objects to the Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they seek information neither relevant to any issue in this litigation nor reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

8. Defendant objects to these Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they are overly broad, oppressive, or would require undue burden or expense in order to respond.

9. Defendant objects to these Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they seek information that is in the public domain and/or documents to which Plaintiff has equal or greater access.

10. Defendant objects to these Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they seek information already in Plaintiff's knowledge, possession, and/or control.

11. Defendant objects to these Interrogatories and Requests for Production to the extent they are vague and ambiguous. "Vague" means that the Interrogatory or Request for Production is drafted in such a way that it does not convey with reasonable clarity what is requested of Defendant and, thus, requires Defendant to speculate as to the intended scope and meaning of the Interrogatory or Request for Production. "Ambiguous" as used herein means that the Interrogatory or Request for Production is drafted in such a way as to be capable of more than one reasonable interpretation and thus requires Defendant to speculate at Plaintiff's intended meaning.

Defendant reserves the right to challenge the competency, relevance, materiality, 12. and admissibility of any documents or information produced or disclosed in answer or response to these Interrogatories or Requests for Production.

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13. Nothing herein should be construed as an admission by Defendant of the appropriateness, accuracy, admissibility, or relevance of any information, or of the truth or accuracy of any characterization of any matter contained in Plaintiff's Interrogatories and Requests for Production.

14. Any document inadvertently produced that contains privileged, confidential, proprietary, or otherwise protected information shall not be deemed a waiver of any applicable privileges or protections.

15. n responding to any request, Defendant has made reasonable efforts to respond to the extent that Defendant understands and interprets each request and does not object to the request. If the Defendant subsequently asserts an interpretation of any request that differs from that of Plaintiff, Defendant reserves the right to supplement his Objection

16. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss.

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#### III. INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

2 **INTERROGATORY NO. 1:** Please identify all persons you believe have knowledge of any

facts related to the allegations set forth in Plaintiffs Complaint or in your Answer.

#### 4 ANSWER:

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this interrogatory seeks to impermissibly accelerate the case schedule.

10 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. A:** Please produce all insurance policies that may be

11 used to satisfy all or part of any judgment entered in this action. For each policy, please produce

12 || the declarations page, the complete policy, and all addenda, exhibits, endorsements,

13 || exclusions.

### 14 **RESPONSE**:

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss.

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INTERROGATORY NO. 2: Please describe in detail the process used to select Ronda Schwetz

for any leadership position with your organization, including on the Ethics Board.

### **ANSWER:**

22 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be 23 postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). 24 Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this interrogatory is 25 vague as to "leadership position within your organization." Additionally, this Interrogatory is overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible evidence. Any 26 process used to select Ms. Schwetz for any volunteer position at AZA has no relevance to the allegations contained in the Complaint which consist of an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel 27 room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. There is simply no nexus PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND AQUARIUMS, INC d/b/a ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS **WITH ANSWERS AND OBJECTIONS THERETO -** 7 4835-8416-7413.1 between Ms. Schwetz's volunteer role in the organization and the Plaintiff's allegations. Nor could any information about her roles or her selection to these roles impute or create any potential liability for Defendant for the allegations contained in the Complaint.

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. B:** Please produce all documents related to your answer to the preceding request.

**RESPONSE:** 

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See objection to proceeding Interrogatory. Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the present, including a period of time after Plaintiff filed his complaint.

10 INTERROGATORY NO. 3: Please describe in detail Ronda Schwetz's history with AZA
11 including, but not limited to: all positions she held (e.g., coach, referee, etc.) with AZA or any of
12 its member organizations or chapters; whether any positions were paid; the dates Schwetz held
13 each such position; the names of the roles that she served in with AZA; and the names and last14 known contact information for any AZA employees, co-board or committee members, or
15 co-volunteers she worked with.

#### 16 ANSWER:

17 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be 18 postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon 19 the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this interrogatory is better directed to codefendant Ms. Schwetz. This Interrogatory is also vague as to "worked with" 20 and misleading as Ms. Schwetz was never employed by Defendant. Finally, this Interrogatory is 21 overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible evidence as it asks for the identity of all members who volunteered with Ms. Schwetz with no 22 limitation to time or relevancy to this lawsuit. Furthermore, the information requested has no relevance to the allegations contained in the Complaint which consist of an alleged sexual assault in 23 a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. There is simply no nexus between Ms. Schwetz's volunteer role in the organization and Plaintiff's 24 allegations. The details of Ms. Schwetz's past volunteer positions with AZA or its member 25 organization, whether they were paid, the dates she held such positions, and the names of other members she "worked with" will not lead to any admissible evidence and will not lead to 26 information that could impute or create any potential liability for Defendant for the allegations contained in the Complaint. To the extent Plaintiff wants to know about the roles, if any, she had 27 during the two day conference that occurred in Seattle and at issue in this suit, Defendant will

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1	provide that information.
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3	<b>REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. C:</b> Please produce all documents related to your answer
4	to the preceding request.
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6	See objection to proceeding Interrogatory.
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8	<b>INTERROGATORY NO. 4:</b> For positions you identified in your answer to Interrogatory No. 3,
9	please describe in detail the reason(s) Ronda Schwetz serves in each role.
10	ANSWER:
11 12	See objection to Interrogatory No. 3. In addition this Interrogatory is vague as written, in particular, Defendant does not understand what Plaintiff means by, "reason(s) Ronda Schwetz
12 13	serves in each role." Furthermore, this request is overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible. Furthermore, the information requested has no
14	relevance to the allegations contained in the Complaint which consist of an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. The
15	"reason" Ms. Schwetz served on any role, including a paid member of AZA will not lead to any admissible evidence that will prove or disprove any allegations in this suit. The reasons why Ms.
16 17	Schwetz served any particular role and her motivations for volunteering are better responded to by Ms. Schwetz. Furthermore, why she was suited for any particular volunteer role in AZA does provide any information relevant to the claims asserted by Plaintiff.
18	<b>REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. D:</b> Please produce all documents related to your answer
19	to the preceding request.
20	RESPONSE:
21	See objection to proceeding Interrogatory.
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23	INTERROGATORY NO. 5: Please describe in detail Ronda Schwetz's performance in any
24	positions held within your Association, whether positive or negative. Please include in your
25	answer, a description of any and all awards, commendations, warnings, or complaints related to
26	her.
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4 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss.

5 Additionally, this interrogatory is better directed to codefendant Ms. Schwetz. This Interrogatory is overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible

the Complaint which consist of an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. Whether AZA evaluated Ms. Schwetz's performance as a volunteer at AZA does not help prove or disprove any claim Plaintiff assert.
Whether she was evaluated does not create any liability for AZA as to the allegations related to

Ms. Schwetz. The same is true of any awards, commendations or other feedback.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. E:** Please produce all documents related to your answer

to the preceding request.

**RESPONSE:** 

See objection to proceeding Interrogatory.

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. F:** To the extent not produced in response to the preceding requests, please produce all communications that relate or refer to Ronda Schwetz sent

or received by you from September 23, 2018 to the present.

#### **RESPONSE:**

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be

23 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this Request is overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to

- 24 lead to any admissible evidence. The Request seeks any and all emails that "relate or refer to
   Rhonda Schwetz" without any limitation on subject matter over a three year period. Defendant
- 25 further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the
- 26 present, including a period of time after Plaintiff filed his complaint. Furthermore, the information requested has no relevance to the allegations contained in the Complaint which
- 27 consist of an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. This amounts to a fishing expedition. All communication

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relating to or referring to Ms. Schwetz are not relevant to the allegations in the Complaint and improperly assert that AZA was under some obligation or duty to monitor and discuss its members.

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. G:** Please produce all documents that relate or refer to

#### **RESPONSE:**

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this Request is overly broad, vague unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible evidence. The request as written seeks any and all documents that relate or refer to without any limitation whatsoever. Again, this request would not lead to any information or evidence that would prove or disprove Plaintiff's allegations related to the allegations contained in the complaint and specifically Plaintiff's allegations that he was sexually assaulted while staying in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. This request as it written would require Defendant to search all its records for any mention of without any semblance that such search would result in any admissible evidence or information that would lead to admissible evidence because AZA.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 6:** Please state whether you are or have been a party to any lawsuit involving an allegation of sexual contact by any organization member, volunteer, or attendee at any conference or event, not including the instant matter. In your answer, please state the case name, case number, jurisdiction in which the case is/was filed, and the disposition of the case (e.g., settled, dismissed, etc.).

#### **ANSWER:**

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be

supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this Request is overly broad, vague unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible evidence as it contains no time or location limitations. This request is nothing

more than a fishing expedition. Furthermore, the information requested has no relevance to the allegations contained in the Complaint which consist of an alleged sexual assault in a private

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Defendant has been party to any lawsuit related to sexual contact by any organization member is information that is not admissible. Furthermore, Defendant is not liable for the private actions of its members. Accordingly, any information related to past allegations would either be inadmissible because it is irrelevant by being factually distinct or because it violates rules of evidence prohibiting such evidence, generally ER 404.

6 INTERROGATORY NO. 7: Have you received any complaint (verbal or written) involving a
7 volunteer, organization member, or conference attendee alleged to have engaged in sexual
8 contact with another AZA member, conference attendee, employee or volunteer, not including
9 the instant matter? If yes, for each such complaint, please describe in de tail: the date on which
10 you received the complaint, the nature of the allegation(s), the date of the alleged sexual contact,
11 the persons involved, and what you did in response to the complaint, if anything.

#### 12 ANSWER:

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Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 13 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses 14 be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be 15 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this Request is overly broad, vague unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to 16 any admissible evidence as it contains no time or location limitations. This request is nothing more than a fishing expedition. Furthermore, the information requested has no relevance to the 17 allegations contained in the Complaint which consist of an alleged sexual assault in a private 18 hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. Whether Defendant has received complaints or information about any of its members' sexual contact is 19 not admissible and is irrelevant. Private individuals' sexual contact is not monitored or of concern to AZA. Simply, whether AZA members engage in sexual activity on their own in 20 private homes or rooms and on their own time is not relevant to this suit and is private 21 information. Furthermore, Defendant is not liable for the private actions of its members. Accordingly, any information related to AZA's knowledge of past sexual contact between 22 members would be inadmissible because it is irrelevant.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. H:** Please produce all documents related to your

answer to the preceding request.

#### **RESPONSE:**

#### See objection to preceding Interrogatory

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#### 8 **ANSWER:**

9 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses 10 be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Further, this request is vague in as to what Plaintiff means by "in effect at any time between January 1, 12 2017...." Plaintiff did not close the timeframe of the request and, to the extent Plaintiff intends to 13 request to the present. Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the present, including a period of time after Plaintiff filed his 14 complaint. Further, this information would not lead to any admissible evidence related to the claims in the lawsuit which include an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel room afterhours. 15

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. I:** Please produce all documents related to your answer

to the preceding request. 18

**RESPONSE:** 

See objection to preceding Interrogatory.

INTERROGATORY NO. 9: If you contend that the rules identified in your answer to Interrogatory No. 8 did not apply to or relate to concerns he raised at any time

to AZA regrading Ms. Schwetz, please state the basis for your contention. 24

#### **ANSWER:** 25

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 26 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses 27 be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Furthermore, Defendant objects to this interrogatory as it calls for a legal conclusion and to the extent that it seeks a full description of facts upon which defendant intends to rely on to refute liability. A party is not required to put on a dress rehearsal of trial in discovery. See *Weber v. Biddle*, 72
Wn.2d 22, 29, 431 P.2d 705 (1969). Defendant further objects that this interrogatory to the extent it invades the attorney client privilege and/or attorney work product doctrine. This request is also vague as to the used of the word "regrading." Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time to the extent it includes the period of time after Plaintiff filed his complaint. Further, this information would not lead to any admissible evidence related to the claims in the lawsuit which include an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events.

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. J:** Please produce all documents related to your answer to the preceding request.

**RESPONSE:** 

See objection to preceding Interrogatory.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 10:** Please describe in detail all investigations you (or your agents) have conducted regarding Ronda Schwetz. For each investigation, please identify what prompted your investigation, the date the investigation began, the names of the persons responsible for the investigation, the names of any witnesses interviewed, the results of the investigation, with whom the results were shared, and what changes you made (if any) as a result of the investigation.

**ANSWER:** 

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss.

Furthermore, Defendant objects to this request as being overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably calculated to lead to any admissible evidence. In addition, Defendant objects to this disclosure of information related to any investigations it has taken since Plaintiff retained attorneys and sent a demand because such information is protected from disclosure by the work-product doctrine and, potentially, the attorney client privilege. The request is also vague as to

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 "investigations" as it does not limit the term in anyway. This request implies that Defendant has any obligation to investigate its members. This information would not lead to any admissible evidence related to the claims in the lawsuit which include an alleged sexual assault in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. Past investigations would again be inadmissible.
 REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. K: Please produce all documents related to your answer to the preceding request.

7 || **RESPONSE:** 

**8** See objection to preceding Interrogatory.

9 REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. L: Please produce the bylaws in effect for your

**10** Association during the years 2017 through present.

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12 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses 13 be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be 14 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the 15 present, including a period of time after Plaintiff filed his complaint. This request implies that 16 Defendant has any obligation to investigate its members. This information would not lead to any admissible evidence related to the claims in the lawsuit which include an alleged sexual assault 17 in a private hotel room after hours and not during any of the conference's scheduled events. Bylaws in this instance would not create any liability or duty of Defendant related to the 18

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. M:** Please produce all communications between you

and any persons who inquired about including other members, prospective

employers, member organizations or others at any time between January 1, 2018 and

the present.

### **RESPONSE:**

Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be

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supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Defendant 1 further objects to the extent this request invades the attorney client privilege and/or attorney 2 work product doctrine. Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the present, including a period of time after Plaintiff filed his 3 complaint. This also appears to be a fishing expedition. AZA did not employ To the extent Defendant provided any feedback to third parties about it would have been 4 solely within their personal capacity as he did not have any official role, job, or title within AZA 5 other than a paying member and volunteer. Therefore, these communications, to the extent they exist are not relevant and not attributable to Defendant as an entity. 6 7 **INTERROGATORY NO. 11:** Please identify each person who has been retained as an expert 8 and describe in detail the following with respect to each: 9 The subject matter on which the expert may be called to testify; a. 10 b. The substance of the facts and opinions to which the expert is expected to testify; 11 A summary of the grounds for each opinion; and c. 12 All notes and files provided to each expert. d. 13 **ANSWER:** 14 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 15 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be 16 due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be 17 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this interrogatory seeks to impermissibly accelerate the case schedule. 18 19 **INTERROGATORY NO. 12:** For each expert you intend to call to testify at trial, please 20 identify all cases in which the expert provided testimony in deposition and/or at trial. 21 **ANSWER:** 22 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 23 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be 24 due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be 25 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Additionally, this interrogatory seeks to impermissibly accelerate the case schedule. 26 27 PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT 1111 Third Avenue, Suite 2700 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND Seattle, Washington 98101 AQUARIUMS, INC d/b/a ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS 206.436.2020 WITH ANSWERS AND OBJECTIONS THERETO - 16

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1 **INTERROGATORY NO. 13:** For the last 18 months, please identify any agreements, contracts, and Memorandum of Understanding, entered into between the Association of Zoos and 2 3 Aquariums and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. 4 **ANSWER:** 5 Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses 6 be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be 7 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Furthermore, Defendant objects to this request as being overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably 8 calculated to lead to any admissible evidence as it is not limited in any way in subject matter. This 9 request is no more than a fishing expedition. Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the present, including a period of time after 10 Plaintiff filed his complaint. There is absolutely no connection between the allegations in the Complaint and Defendant's communication with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Such 11 communication would not be relevant to the action and would be unduly burdensome to Defendant. 12 13 **INTERROGATORY NO. 14:** For the last 18 months, please identify any communications 14 between the Association of Zoos and Aquariums and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that include: 15 16 a. Dan Ashe, AZA President, Craig Hoover, AZA Executive Vice President, and or Steve Olson, AZA Senior Vice President of Government Affairs; and 17 The dates and substance of all such communications. b. 18 19 **ANSWER:** Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of 20 60 days. Defendant intends to file a motion to dismiss and, accordingly, asked that the responses 21 be postponed until after the Court's ruling (or at least after a response to the Complaint would be due). Accordingly, this Responses and Answers to these Discovery Requests will be 22 supplemented upon the Court's ruling of Defendant's upcoming motion to dismiss. Furthermore, Defendant objects to this request as being overly broad, unduly burdensome and is not reasonably 23 calculated to lead to any admissible evidence as it is not limited in any way in subject matter. This 24 request is no more than a fishing expedition. Defendant further objects on the grounds that it is overbroad in time because it seeks information to the present, including a period of time after 25 Plaintiff filed his complaint. There is absolutely no connection between the allegations in the Complaint and Defendant's communication with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Such 26 communication would not be relevant to the action and would be unduly burdensome to Defendant. 27 LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO DEFENDANT 1111 Third Avenue, Suite 2700 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND Seattle, Washington 98101 AQUARIUMS, INC d/b/a ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS 206.436.2020 WITH ANSWERS AND OBJECTIONS THERETO - 17

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2	answer to the preceding two interrogatories including, the following:		
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6	d.	All communications between the Association	on of Zoos and Aquariums staff and
7		U.S. Fish and Wildlife.	
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20	product doctrine. Whether Defendant received notice of the allegation does not create liability or any duty in light of Plaintiff's allegations that the alleged assault occurred in a private hotel room		
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1	<b>INTERROGATORY NO. 16:</b> Please state whether the AZA ever received notification that			
2	Ronda Schwetz had or was engaging in inappropriate and/or inebriated conduct during any of its			
3	annual conferences.			
4	ANSWER:			
5		Objection. These Discovery Requests were served with the Complaint which had a summons of		
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12	the information in the previous interrogatory.			
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Thank you,

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