## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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WOODBRIDGE GROUP OF COMPANIES, LLC, *et al.*,<sup>1</sup>

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 17-12560 (KJC)

(Jointly Administered)

Obj. Deadline: March 26, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) Ref. Doc. No. 296

## NOTICE OF FILING OF DECLARATION OF DISINTERESTEDNESS BY ORDINARY COURSE PROFESSIONAL HALLORAN & SAGE LLP

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on January 16, 2018, the United States

Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") entered the Order Authorizing the

Employment and Payment of Professionals Used in the Ordinary Course of Business [Docket

No. 296] (the "<u>Order</u>").<sup>2</sup>

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, in accordance with the procedures

set forth in the Order, the Debtors hereby file the Declaration of Disinterestedness, attached

hereto as Exhibit A, for Halloran & Sage LLP.

## PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any objections to the retention of

Halloran & Sage LLP must be filed with the Court, and at the same time served upon the Notice

Parties, on or before March 26, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. (ET).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The last four digits of Woodbridge Group of Companies, LLC's federal tax identification number are 3603. The mailing address for Woodbridge Group of Companies, LLC is 14140 Ventura Boulevard #302, Sherman Oaks, California 91423. Due to the large number of debtors in these cases, which are being jointly administered for procedural purposes only, a complete list of the Debtors, the last four digits of their federal tax identification numbers, and their addresses are not provided herein. A complete list of such information may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' noticing and claims agent at www.gardencitygroup.com/cases/WGC, or by contacting the undersigned counsel for the Debtors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Order.

Dated: March 14, 2018 Wilmington, Delaware /s/ Betsy L. Feldman YOUNG CONAWAY STARGATT & TAYLOR, LLP Sean M. Beach (No. 4070) Edmon L. Morton (No. 3856) Ian J. Bambrick (No. 5455) Betsy L. Feldman (No. 6410) Rodney Square 1000 North King Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801 Tel: (302) 571-6600 Fax: (302) 571-1253

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## EXHIBIT A

# **DECLARATION OF DISINTERESTEDNESS**

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### DECLARATION OF DISINTERESTEDNESS BY ATTORNEY USED IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS

I, Brian D. Rich, declare under penalty of perjury:

1. I am a partner of Halloran & Sage LLP, located at One Goodwin Square, 225

Asylum Street, Hartford, CT 06103 (the "Firm").

2. Woodbridge Group of Companies, LLC and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") have requested that the Firm provide legal services to the Debtors, and the Firm has consented to provide such services.

3. The Firm may have performed legal services in the past, may currently perform legal services, and may perform legal services in the future, in matters unrelated to the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>"), for persons that are parties-in-interest in the Chapter 11 Cases. The Firm does not perform legal services for any such person in connection

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with the Chapter 11 Cases, or have any relationship with any such person, their attorneys, or accountants that would be adverse to the Debtors or their estates.

4. The Firm has provided services to the Debtors prior to the commencement of the Chapter 11 Cases.

5. As part of its customary practice, the Firm is retained in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different parties, some of whom may represent or be employed by the Debtors, claimants, and parties-in-interest in the Chapter 11 Cases.

6. Neither I, nor any principal, partner, director, officer, etc. of, or professional employed by, the Firm has agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Debtors with any other person other than the principal and regular employees of the Firm.

7. Neither I, nor any principal, partner, director, officer, etc. of, or professional employed by, the Firm, insofar as I have been able to ascertain, holds, or represents any interest adverse to the Debtors or their estates with respect to the matter(s) upon which the Firm is to be employed.

8. The Debtors owe the Firm \$18,505.39 for prepetition services (*i.e.*, services arising prior to December 4, 2017), the payment of which is subject to limitations contained in title 11 of the United States Code. Debtors owe an additional \$14,608.51 for pre-petition services rendered on behalf of Bellflower Funding, LLC, prior to and including March 9, 2018, the date of the filing of the bankruptcy petition of that entity.

9. As of December 4, 2017 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Firm was not party to an agreement for indemnification with certain of the Debtors.

The Firm is conducting further inquiries regarding its retention by any creditors of 10. the Debtors, and upon the conclusion of such inquiry, or at any time during the period of its employment, if the Firm should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, the Firm will supplement the information contained in this Declaration.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: March 14, 2018

Brian D. Rich