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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

WAKE COUNTY

17 CVS 11692

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Petitioner,

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REHABILITATOR'S
MONTHLY REPORT

v.


CANNON SURETY, LLC,
A North Carolina Limited Liability
Company,

Respondent.

NOW COMES the Commissioner of Insurance of North Carolina and Rehabilitator of Cannon Surety, LLC (Rehabilitator), and hereby makes this report pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes § 58-30-80(b) and the Order of this Court dated January 2, 2018, which requires the Rehabilitator to make a monthly report to the Court including a statement of receipts and disbursements to date and a statement of financial position (balance sheet). Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A is the monthly report of activity of the Rehabilitator as of May 31, 2018, a statement of financial position as of April 30, 2018, and a statement of receipts and disbursements of Cannon Surety, LLC, for the period from September 28, 2017, the date of the execution of the Seizure Order, through April 30, 2018, as prepared by the Special Deputy Insurance Commissioner on behalf of the Rehabilitator.

This the 31st day of May, 2018.

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CANNON SURETY, LLC
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE AS REHABILITATOR
MONTHLY REPORT OF ACTIVITY OF REHABILITATOR
AS OF MAY 31, 2018,
A STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS OF APRIL 30, 2018
AND
A STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 27, 2017
THROUGH APRIL 30, 2018

INTRODUCTION

BACKGROUND

Cannon Surety, LLC (hereinafter, “Cannon”) was licensed by the North Carolina Department of Insurance (hereinafter, the “NCDOI”) on December 22, 2014, as a special purpose captive insurance company under Part 9 of Article 10 of Chapter 58 of the North Carolina General Statutes. On September 27, 2017, the Wake County Superior Court (hereinafter, the “Court”) issued a Seizure Order against Cannon. On January 2, 2018, the Court entered an Order of Rehabilitation against Cannon and appointed the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of North Carolina as Rehabilitator (hereinafter, the “Rehabilitator”).

PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide a monthly update to the Court, as required by the Order of Rehabilitation, on the work that the Rehabilitator and his staff have carried out since the issuance of the Seizure Order on September 27, 2017, to set out the present situation of Cannon, and to provide a statement of financial position (balance sheet) as of April 30, 2018, and a statement of receipts and disbursements for the period from September 27, 2017 through April 30, 2018.

LIMITATIONS

This report is based only on the knowledge that the Rehabilitator and his staff have gained from the work performed since the issuance of the Seizure Order. Facts may exist that the Rehabilitator is unaware of that may have a material effect on the information provided in this report. The Rehabilitator will update the information in future monthly reports as additional facts are discovered.

SUMMARY

GREENSBORO OFFICE

Cannon Personal Property

- Financial statements previously filed with the NCDOT do not contain any assets titled as personal property, however numerous items of personal property were located at Cannon's office. While reviewing records of Cannon, receipts for various items of personal property were found.
- On February 6, 2018, the Rehabilitator filed a motion to sell property seeking permission from the Court to sell through public auction the property located in the offices of Cannon.
- On February 28, 2018, all personal property located in Cannon's office was moved and placed into storage. On May 15, 2018, the Rehabilitator received a bill for \$5,500 from the company that moved the contents of Cannon's office. This company is also storing the contents.
- The motion to sell property was heard on March 21, 2018. Affidavits of Dallas McClain and Lanier McClain, disputing ownership of certain items, were submitted to the Court. The Court granted the Rehabilitator's motion to sell all property not in dispute. The Order was issued on April 18, 2018. As directed by the Court, the parties negotiated a resolution regarding the ownership of disputed property and a Joint Report of Agreement on Rehabilitator's Motion to Sell Property was filed on May 18, 2018. The Rehabilitator worked with a licensed auctioneer to sell the property not in dispute. The auction was held May 25, 2018, in High Point, North Carolina. All items other than electronics were either sold or disposed of on that date. Proceeds from the sale will go towards the moving and storage bill. The net proceeds from the sale were \$192 after deducting advertising expenses and the auctioneer's commission of \$211.

Lease

- On March 1, 2018, the Rehabilitator notified the landlord via e-mail that the office has been vacated.
- On April 4, 2018, counsel for the Rehabilitator sent a demand letter to All American Bail Bonds LLC ("AABB") for payment of rent due to Cannon. The amount of payment for rent due to Cannon is \$35,910. By letter dated May 2, 2018, Jeremy Valentine, on behalf of AABB, responded that AABB could not afford to pay Cannon for rent and had vacated the premises prior to the seizure. No legal action has yet been initiated by the Rehabilitator for collection.

BAIL BOND NOTICES OF FORFEITURE

Following the entry and execution of the Seizure Order, the Rehabilitator utilized the information from the database used by Cannon for the inventory of bond powers. As of October 1, 2017, the Rehabilitator began receiving Bond Forfeiture Notices for Cannon from Clerks of Court

throughout North Carolina. The Rehabilitator created a database (hereinafter "Forfeitures Database") which combined information from the bond powers inventory, information provided from the Administrative Offices of the Court (hereinafter "AOC"), forfeitures received, and bond powers written through the date of the Seizure Order and submitted by bail agents to the Rehabilitator.

The Forfeitures Database tracks pertinent information from notices of forfeiture received and/or bond powers sent to the Rehabilitator and is utilized to prevent forfeitures from going to final judgment. Each day notices are entered. Email notifications are generated that night and sent to the bail agent notifying the bail agent of notice(s) received and instructing the bail agent to act to set aside forfeitures in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.C. Gen. Stat. §15A-544.5, and to provide notification to the Rehabilitator that action has been taken.

The Forfeitures Database sends out a second notification from the NCDOI's General Counsel 75 days before the date the judgment will become final reminding the bail agent that action needs to be taken to prevent the forfeiture(s) from going to final judgment and from actions being taken against the agent's license if a final judgment does occur. If necessary, additional follow-up is taken 50 days before the date of final judgment by the NCDOI's General Counsel.

In total, the Rehabilitator has received 1,815 notices of forfeiture. The total face amount of these notices is \$12,651,766. Of these outstanding bonds, the NCDOI has confirmed, through May 24, 2018, that 864 cases have been set aside by the courts, motions to set aside have been filed by the bail agents in 50 cases, 109 cases have been satisfied by payment by the bail agent, and 225 cases have been otherwise discharged by the courts. In addition to communicating with bail agents regarding specific cases, NCDOI's General Counsel has access to the VCAP database administered by AOC, and has been steadily going through and updating the database with actions that have occurred since it was established in early November 2017. Finally, NCDOI's General Counsel has been in regular contact with staff at AOC as well with numerous school board attorneys across the state regarding outstanding bond forfeitures.

BAIL BOND JUDGMENTS

As of April 30, 2018, Cannon had received 106 bail bond judgments since the issuance of the Seizure Order for a total face amount of \$855,395. \$8,345 of court costs, \$23,810 of interest, and \$315 of sheriff's fees have been incurred as a result of these judgments. Interest continues to accrue until the judgment is satisfied. The Rehabilitator intends to vigorously pursue collection of the amounts from the bail agent and any other person who agreed to indemnify the Company from loss. Collection of amounts due is unknown and uncertain and as such, no receivable has been established.

LAWSUITS

To the Rehabilitator's knowledge, at the time of the Seizure Order, Cannon was a plaintiff in the following lawsuits:

Premier Judicial Consultants, LLC, et al. v. Clyde Robert Brawley, Jr., 17 CVS 13352; Wake County Superior Court

On February 23, 2018, Mr. Bibbs filed a motion to withdraw as counsel for Cannon and Premier.

On February 28, 2018, Daniel S. Johnson, Special Deputy Attorney General, M. Denise Stanford, Special Deputy Attorney General, and Heather H. Freeman, Assistant Attorney General, filed a notice of appearance as counsel of record for Cannon.

The motion to withdraw was heard on March 21, 2018, and the Court granted and signed the Order allowing Mr. Bibbs to withdraw.

On May 7, 2018, attorneys Donald Vaughn and Richard Forrester were notified that their services as counsel for Cannon in this action have been terminated.

On May 23, 2018, a Consent Case Management Order was transmitted to the Trial Court Administrator for Wake County Superior Court.

Dallas McClain, et al. v. Mark Wayne Cartret, et al., 17 CVS 3831; Wake County Superior Court

On April 30, 2018, Daniel S. Johnson, Special Deputy Attorney General, M. Denise Stanford, Special Deputy Attorney General, and Heather H. Freeman, Assistant Attorney General, filed a notice of appearance as counsel of record for Cannon.

On May 7, 2018, attorney G. Grady Richardson, Jr. was notified that his services as counsel for Cannon in this action have been terminated.

COLLECTIONS

Because of the bail bond judgments against Cannon, the Rehabilitator is seeking to recover monies from the bail agents who wrote the bail bonds as well as others who may have contractually agreed to indemnify Cannon in the event of a bail bond judgment. It is anticipated that lawsuits may be filed against these persons. In addition, the Rehabilitator is seeking to determine whether additional lawsuits are necessary to assert Cannon's rights against third parties.

On April 4, 2018, counsel for the Rehabilitator sent a demand letter to All American Bail Bonds, LLC ("AABB") for payment of rent due to Cannon. The amount of payment for rent due to Cannon is \$35,910. By letter dated May 2, 2018, Jeremy Valentine, on behalf of AABB, responded that AABB could not afford to pay Cannon for rent and had vacated the premises prior to the seizure. No legal action has yet been initiated by the Rehabilitator for collection.

CONTINUATION OF BUSINESS

A final decision as to the course of action to take with Cannon has not yet been determined.

OTHER

Tax Returns

Due to the lack of cash to hire an outside accounting firm, the Rehabilitator will be preparing and filing the tax returns for Cannon. The Rehabilitator determined that a return was not filed for 2016 and as a result, extensions are being requested for 2016 and 2017.

Audit

It has been the practice for the Rehabilitator of other insurance company receiverships to have an audit performed by an outside certified public accountant, the cost of which is borne by the company upon whom the audit was performed. With Cannon, there is limited cash with which to perform an audit and to pay other administrative expenses expected to be incurred. It is the intent of the Rehabilitator to not have an independent audit performed unless otherwise instructed by the Court.

Disbursements

During the period from September 28, 2017, the date of the Seizure Order, through April 30, 2018, the Rehabilitator has paid out, other than for bank service charges, \$24,924. This amount was paid to the North Carolina Department of Revenue for interest due for 2015 premium tax of \$616, premium tax for 2016 of \$22,218 and interest due for 2016 premium tax of \$657. The Rehabilitator negotiated with the North Carolina Department of Revenue to have the penalties for 2015 and 2016 waived in the amount of \$18,752. The Rehabilitator paid \$400 to the North Carolina Secretary of State for the 2017 and 2018 annual report filings. The Rehabilitator paid \$157 to the North Carolina Court of Appeals for services rendered during hearings. The Rehabilitator paid \$876 to his staff as reimbursement for mileage and packing supplies related to administering the rehabilitation.

Confession of Judgment

On February 2, 2018, the Rehabilitator became aware of a purported confession of judgment that was executed on December 15, 2017, by Dallas McClain on behalf of Cannon for the benefit of Mark Bibbs in the amount of \$227,850.50 plus interest at the legal rate of eight percent (8%). On February 6, 2018, the Rehabilitator filed motions to strike purported confession of judgment against Cannon. On March 21, 2018, the Court heard the motion filed by the Commissioner of Insurance on February 6, 2018, to strike the Confession of Judgment against Cannon Surety, LLC filed with the Clerk of Superior Court of Wake County in Case No. 17 CVS 15505 on December 18, 2017. The Court declared the Confession of Judgment to be null and void and the Court ordered it stricken from the records of the Clerk of Superior Court of Wake County.

Motion to Intervene and Motion for Attorney Fees

On March 15, 2018, Mark Bibbs filed a Motion to Intervene in this Rehabilitation action and a Verified Motion for Payment of Attorney Fees to recover attorney fees from his former client, Cannon, in the amount of \$499,588.20. Both the Motion to Intervene and the Verified Motion for Payment of Attorney Fees were denied. The Verified Motion for Payment of Attorney Fees was denied on March 21, 2018, without prejudice to the right of Proposed Intervenor Bibbs to make a

motion for payment of disputed attorney fees that complies with State Bar rules regarding the Fee Dispute Resolution Program. The Order was issued April 18, 2018.

On April 20, 2018 Mark Bibbs filed a Notice of Appeal with the Wake County Superior Court and a Petition for Writ of Supersedeas and Motion for Stay with the North Carolina Court of Appeals. The Petition for Writ of Supersedeas and Motion for Stay were denied by the Court of Appeals.

On May 14, 2018 Mark Bibbs filed a Motion for Extension of Time with the North Carolina Court of Appeals in order to contract with a court reporter/transcriptionist to produce the transcript of the court proceedings held on March 21, 2018. By Order dated May 14, 2018, the Court of Appeals granted the Motion allowing Mr. Bibbs an extension until May 31, 2018, to contract for the transcription of the proceedings.

Amended Order of Rehabilitation

On January 30, 2018, the Rehabilitator filed a motion to clarify and amend the Order of Rehabilitation; Order Appointing Receiver; Order Granting Injunctive Relief entered on January 2, 2018. The motion was heard on March 21, 2018, and the Court agreed to amend the Order of Rehabilitation; Order Appointing Receiver; Order Granting Injunctive Relief. The Court enjoined and prohibited the Rehabilitator from making payment for final forfeiture judgments from the funds on deposit in Cannon's name at US Bank until further order from the Court.

INTRODUCTION TO CANNON SURETY, LLC
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF MARCH 31, 2018

Introduction and Basis of Presentation: Cannon Surety, LLC (Company) is a North Carolina domiciled captive insurance company that was placed into rehabilitation by the Wake County Superior Court on January 2, 2018. The Company is under the control of the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of North Carolina, who is the Rehabilitator of the Company. It is the Rehabilitator's responsibility to take possession of the assets of the insurer and to administer them under the general supervision of the Court.

The accompanying statement of financial position reflects general ledger balances of the Company as of April 30, 2018, adjusted to reflect circumstances currently known to the Rehabilitator. Amounts may be further adjusted prospectively as deemed appropriate based on the Rehabilitator's continued investigation. Financial statements were not regularly prepared by the Company so the amounts reflected on the statement of financial position represent the Rehabilitator's best estimate, as explained in the accompanying notes, of the Company's assets and liabilities as of April 30, 2018. The accompanying statement of receipts and disbursements presents all actual cash receipts and disbursements for the period from September 28, 2017, the date of the execution of the Seizure Order, through April 30, 2018.

CANNON SURETY, LLC, IN REHABILITATION
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE AS RECEIVER
Statement of Financial Position
As of April 30, 2018

Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents	(Note A)	\$ 24,905
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Restricted	(Note A)	994,375
Accounts Receivable	(Note B)	61,020
Other Restricted Assets:	(Note C)	
Build Up Fund		393,631
Collateral Account		4,110
Other Assets	(Note D)	2,000
Total Assets		<u>\$ 1,480,041</u>

Liabilities

Reserve for Loss and Loss Adjustment Expenses	(Note E)	\$ 200,000
Payable to Clerks of Court	(Note F)	887,865
Expense Payable	(Note G)	430,870
Other Liabilities:	(Note H)	397,741
Total Liabilities		<u>\$ 1,916,476</u>

Surplus

Excess of Liabilities Over Assets (Unrestricted and Restricted)	(Note I)	<u>\$ (436,435)</u>
Deficiency of Assets (Unrestricted) Over Liabilities (Excluding Other Liabilities)		<u>\$ (1,430,810)</u>

CANNON SURETY, LLC, IN REHABILITATION
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE AS RECEIVER
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

	For the Month Ended April 30, 2018	Cumulative For the Period September 27, 2017- April 30, 2018
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
<u>Receipts</u>		
Premium Receipts (Note J)	0	23,661
Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0
Recovery of Bad Debt	0	0
Tax Recovered	0	0
Miscellaneous Receipts	0	132
Total Receipts	0	23,793
<u>Disbursements</u>		
<u>Policy Related Disbursements</u>		
Loss and Loss Adjustment Expenses	0	0
Court Costs	0	0
Interest Expense on Judgements	0	0
Total Policy Related Disbursements	0	0
<u>General Expenses and Other</u> (Note K)		
Personnel Expenses	0	0
Rent and Occupancy	0	0
Accounting Fees	0	0
Actuarial Fees	0	0
Legal Fees	0	0
Consulting Fees	0	0
Office Expenses	0	261
Furniture, EDP & Equipment Expense	0	0
Travel	0	615
Claims and Underwriting Admin Fees	0	0
Court Costs	157	157

The financial statements should be read together with the notes to the financial statements which are an integral part of this statement.

Bank Fees	0	483
Taxes, Licenses and Fees	200	23,892
Miscellaneous Expense	0	5
	<u>357</u>	<u>25,413</u>
Total Operating Disbursements	<u>357</u>	<u>25,413</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>(357)</u>	<u>(1,620)</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net (Purchases) Sales of Invested Assets	0	0
Net Investment Income	1,146	7,994
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	<u>1,146</u>	<u>7,994</u>
OTHER		
Misc Receipts	0	0
Change in Deposit	0	0
Escheat Liability	0	0
Net Cash Provided by Other	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	788	6,373
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	1,018,492	1,012,907
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	<u>\$ 1,019,280</u>	<u>1,019,280</u>

The financial statements should be read together with the notes to the financial statements which are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note A: All Cash and Cash Equivalents are comprised of the checking accounts originally established by the Company and now under the control of the Rehabilitator.

All Cash and Cash Equivalents – Restricted are comprised of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than 1 year and are carried at cost which approximates market value. This amount is currently on deposit with the North Carolina Department of Insurance (“Department”). These funds were required to be placed on deposit with the Department as part of the terms of licensure, and can only be used for the payment of bail bond judgments.

Note B: The components of Accounts Receivable are as follows:

Premiums due from Agents	25,110
Receivable from AABB for Rent	<u>35,910</u>
Total	\$ 61,020

The receivable from AABB for rent consists of \$23,940 paid by the Company for the period October 2016 through September 2017 and \$11,970 for the amount accrued, but unpaid, for the period October 2017 through February 2018.

Note C: Restricted assets are comprised of cash and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than 1 year and are carried at cost which approximates market value. The Build Up Fund (“BUF”) represents 76 individual accounts under the control of the Company to be used to indemnify the Company for losses and any other agreed-upon costs related to a bail bond executed by a bail bond agent. There is a corresponding liability account offsetting the asset (see Note H). The Collateral Account represents funds placed on deposit to secure specific bail bonds. There is a corresponding liability account as the funds may be returned upon resolution of the case for which the collateral was taken (see Note H). During the month of April, payments totaling \$568 were made from BUF accounts for satisfaction of specific bail bonds and related court costs.

Note D: Other Assets represents funds deposited with the landlord for office rental. The Company was not a party to the lease agreement and it appears may not be party to a valid sublease agreement and therefore may not be able to recover the amount placed as a security deposit.

Note E: Reserves for Loss and Loss Adjustment Expenses represents an estimate of potential amounts for bonds which may go to judgment. This amount was not derived from an actuarial analysis. The Company failed to obtain a Statement of Actuarial Opinion for the year-ended December 31, 2016, as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. 58-10-415(e). The Rehabilitator has estimated this amount based on the major

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

risks to the Company which are late reporting and payment on a bail bond that does not have adequate collateralization and underlying BUF or other protection. The Rehabilitator has observed, since the date of the Seizure Order, all the above risks.

Note F: Payable to Clerks of Court represent bond forfeitures which a final judgment has been entered by the courts and for which the Company is liable for payment. As of April 30, 2018, the amount reported includes \$855,395 of the total face amount of the bonds, \$8,345 of court costs, \$23,810 of interest, and \$315 of sheriff's fees. Interest continues to accrue until the judgment is satisfied. The Rehabilitator intends to vigorously pursue collection of the amounts from the bail agent and any other person who agreed to indemnify the Company from loss. Collection of amounts due is unknown and uncertain and as such, no receivable has been established.

Note G: The components of Expenses Payable are as follows:

Legal Fees	\$235,594
Accrued Interest on Certificate of Contribution	89,598
Payroll Taxes Withheld and Unpaid	47,560
Rent	31,806
2017 Accrued NC Premium Tax	17,209
Accrued Payroll & Payroll Taxes	3,366
Moving & Offsite Storage	5,500
General Expenses	<u>237</u>
Total	\$430,870

Accrued interest on the Certificate of Contribution is an approximate amount. The Rehabilitator is in the process of reviewing records to determine the exact amount due.

The liability for rent has not yet been determined since the Company occupied the office space but the lease was in the name of AABB. The amount is included to be conservative. A receivable has been set up for the amount due from AABB.

Note H: The components of Other Liabilities are as follows:

Build Up Funds	\$393,631
Collateral Held	<u>4,110</u>
Total	\$397,741

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note I: On December 16, 2015, the Company entered into a Certificate of Contribution (“Certificate”) with a related party in the amount of \$700,000. According to the terms of the Certificate, the obligation evidenced by the Certificate is not a liability or claim against the Company except to the extent the principal sum is due in whole or in part in accordance with certain provisions of the Certificate. As of April 30, 2018, the principal amount is not due and as such, is classified as a part of surplus instead of as a liability. As of April 30, 2018, the principal balance of the Certificate is \$630,419.

Note J: The amount of Premium Receipts represents funds received from bail agents following the date of the Seizure Order. During January 2018, the Rehabilitator discovered that \$183 had been deposited by the Company into its operating account and recorded as premium income rather than being deposited into a BUF account and held as collateral.

Note K: During the month, the Rehabilitator paid:

- \$200 to the NC secretary of State for the 2018 annual report filing; and
- \$157 to the NC Court of Appeals for costs associated with case number COA 17-18, State vs Wiggins.

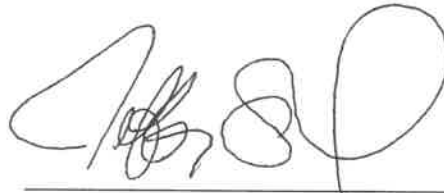
NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY

VERIFICATION

JEFFREY A. TRENDEL, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a Deputy Commissioner of Insurance for the North Carolina Department of Insurance and appointed as Special Deputy Insurance Commissioner of Cannon Surety, LLC by the Commissioner of Insurance and Rehabilitator, that he has read the foregoing monthly report of activity of Rehabilitator as of May 31, 2018, the Statement of Financial Position as of April 30, 2018, and the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period ending April 30, 2018, and for the period from September 27, 2017, the date of the Seizure Order, through April 30, 2018, and that the contents of same are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

This the 31st day of May, 2018.



Deputy Commissioner of Insurance and
Special Deputy Insurance Commissioner for
Cannon Surety, LLC.

NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

the 31st day of May, 2018.



Dinda B. Mah
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

9/28/22

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned attorney, do certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading or paper was served as follows:

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() by facsimile transmission to the facsimile number set out above, as provided by Rule 5 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

This the 31st day of May, 2018.

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