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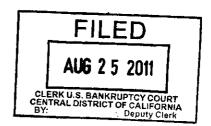
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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE: James GroverMateson,

Debtor,

Bree Walker Lampley,

Plaintiff,

vs.

James GroverMateson,

Defendant.

Case No. 9:11-BK-12680-RR

Chapter 7

Adv. Proc No. 9:11-AP-01252

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE DISCHARGEABILITY OF DEBT

Defendant, James GroverMateson, answers the complaint for non-dischargeability of debt filed by Plaintiffs, Bree Walker Lampley as follows:

- 1. Defendant admits the allegations in paragraphs 1, 3, 7 and 16.
- 2. Defendant denies the allegations in paragraph 8, 14 and 17.
- 3. Defendant has no information or belief that the allegations in paragraph 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15 and 18, are true so Defendant denies them.

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 Except as expressly admitted herein, Defendant denies all of the allegations of the complaint.

FURTHER, AS SEPARATE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES to each and every claim for relief of the complaint, this Answering Defendant is informed and believes, and on such information and belief alleges as follows:

## **FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

6. As a First and Separate Affirmative Defense, this Answering Defendant alleges that the Plaintiff's complaint and each claim for relief contained therein fails to state facts sufficient to state a claim against this Answering Defendant.

## SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

7. As a Second and Separate Affirmative Defense to the complaint and each claim for relief contained therein, this Answering Defendant alleges that Plaintiff's have failed to undertake prudent and necessary steps to rectify the problems alleged, if any, to mitigate the damages, if any, claimed to have been suffered, or will suffer, by virtue of the alleged conduct of this Answering Defendant, and, as such, Plaintiff's solely and proximately caused the damages complained of, if any, as alleged in Plaintiff's complaint.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

8. As a Third and Separate Affirmative Defense to the complaint and each claim for relief contained therein, this Answering Defendant alleges that the damages, if any, alleged to have been suffered and/or will be suffered by Plaintiff's are speculative in nature.

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# **FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

9. As a Fourth and Separate Affirmative Defense to the complaint and each claim for relief contained therein, this Answering Defendant alleges that Plaintiff's have failed to mitigate their damages, if any they have.

# FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

10. As a Fifth and Separate Affirmative Defense to the complaint and each claim for relief contained therein, this Answering Defendant alleges that the alleged acts and omissions of this Answering Defendant were not the actual cause of Plaintiff's purported damages or injury.

## SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

11. As a Sixth and Affirmative Defense, to the complaint and each claim for relief contained therein, this Answering Defendant alleges that any statements made by him alleged in the complaint were statements of opinion only, and thus are not actionable.

# SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

12. This Answering Defendant presently has insufficient knowledge and information upon which to form a belief as to whether he may have additional, and as yet unstated, affirmative defenses available. As such, this Answering Defendant reserves the right to seek leave of Court to amend his Answer to assert additional affirmative defenses in the event that discovery reveals facts which render them appropriate.

WHEREFORE, Defendant prays that Plaintiffs:

- Take nothing by their complaint;
- 2. That said complaint be dismissed against this Answering Defendant with prejudice;

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