IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA WWCC No. 2001-0300

CASSANDRA SCHMILL

Petitioner

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vs.

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LIBERTY NORTHWEST INSURANCE CORP.

Respondent/Insurer

OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION JUDGE HELENA, MONTANA

MONTANA STATE FUND

Intervenor.

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF WASHINGTON)

:ss.

COUNTY OF CLARK)

- I, Barbara Jones, being first duly sworn upon oath, depose and say:
- 2. I, Barbara Jones, am the Workers' Compensation Claims Manager of J.H. Kelly, LLC.
- 3. In my capacity as Workers' Compensation Claims Manager of J.H. Kelly, LLC, I am authorized to make the statements set forth in this affidavit on behalf of J.H. Kelly, LLC and to bind J.H. Kelly, LLC by these statements.
- 4. After a review of our records, I swear under oath that J.H. Kelly, LLC should be dismissed from the above-entitled action for any or all of the following reasons (check all that apply):
 - _____ J.H. Kelly, LLC has never written workers' compensation insurance in the State of Montana;
 - ___ J.H. Kelly, LLC does not have any Montana claims;

- X J.H. Kelly, LLC has no claimants meeting the Court's criteria in this matter as set forth in the summons;
- ___ J.H. Kelly, LLC was or is in liquidation during the period in question set forth in the amended summons served upon me.
- 5. I understand that Montana Workers' Compensation Court may allow a period of up to 90 days from the date of filing this affidavit within which Petitionar's counsel may conduct discovery and investigation for the limited purpose of proving or disproving the foregoing statement(s) made by me on behalf of J.H. Kelly, LLC. After such 90 days, if no objection is lodged by the Petitioner's counsel, the Court will dismiss the insurer/self-insurer from this action based on the sworn statements made by me in this affidavit.
- 6. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is correct.

Signed and sworn to before me this Lote day of October, 2006

Notary Public for the State of Washington
Residing At: 51933 Nt. Yung Rd. Stappood, DC 97056
My Commission Expires: 9/3/08

(Title)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL

I, Kirsten Lloyd, hereby declare and state:

I am over the age of eighteen years, employed in the City of Portland, County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, and not a party to the within action. My business address is Ronald W. Atwood, P.C., 333 S.W. Fifth Avenue, 200 Oregon Trail Building, Portland, Oregon, 97204.

On October <u>1</u>, 2006, I served the within **AFFIDAVIT OF BARBARA JONES** on the parties in said caused by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid thereon in the United States Post Office at Portland, Oregon, addressed as follows:

Ms. Laurie Wallace Bothe & Lauridsen 5 Hwy. 2 East P.O. Box 2020 Columbia Falls, MT 59912

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

EXECUTED October 13, 2006 at Portland, Oregon.

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October 13, 2006

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> Re: Cassandra Schmill v. Liberty Northwest Insurance Corporation/Montana State Fund WCC No. 2001-0300

Dear Staff:

We have enclosed for filing the AFFIDAVIT OF BARBARA JONES in the above-captioned matter.

A true copy is being mailed to Petitioner's counsel, Ms. Laurie Wallace, and proof of service is attached to the Affidavit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

RONALD W. ATWOOD, P.C.

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RWA/pjd

Enclosure

cc w/enc.:

Ms. Laurie Wallace

Ms. Barbara Jones