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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT. LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY

BOARD OF REGENTS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA.

Petitioner.

V.

STATE OF MONTANA, by and through Austin Knudsen Attorney General of the State of Montana in his official capacity,

Respondent.

Cause No. BDV-2021-598

Hon. Michael F. McMahon

STATE OF MONTANA'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Pursuant to Mont. R. Civ. P. 56, the State of Montana, by and through Austin Knudsen, Attorney General, ("the State") moves for summary judgment on the Board of Regents' claims set forth in its Petition for Declaratory Relief. The State requests this Court direct the Clerk of Court to enter judgment in the State's favor.

The State has contacted opposing counsel who oppose this motion and will be filing a cross-motion for summary judgment in accordance with the agreed upon briefing schedule.

DATED this 15th day of September, 2021.

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