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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT - LAW DIVISION

PAUL DULBERG and THE PAUL)
DULBERG REVOCABLE TRUST,)
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Plaintiffs,)
v.)
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KELLY N. BAUDIN, a/k/a Baudin &)
Baudin, Baudin & Baudin, an)
Association of Attorneys, Law)
Offices of Baudin & Baudin,)
Baudin & Baudin Law Offices, et)
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Defendants.)

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hearing of the above-entitled cause before the
Honorable ANTHONY C. SWANAGAN, one of the Judges
of said Court, via Zoom videoconference, on
July 16, 2025, commencing at 9:50 a.m.

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1 THE COURT: Case No. 22 L 10905,
2 Dulberg vs. ADR Systems.

3 Let's see.

4 Mr. Dulberg, good morning.

5 Mr. Talarico, good morning.

6 Who else is here on this one?

7 MS. MEHROTRA: Good morning, Your
8 Honor, Suhani Mehrotra for ADR.

9 THE COURT: Good morning.

10 Let's see.

11 Mr. Talarico, I saw that you asked
12 -- you asked me to do something that I don't
13 know -- it's a new request, so I have to say I'm
14 going to have to see if this is something that I
15 do.

16 MR. TALARICO: Your Honor --

17 THE COURT: Go ahead.

18 MR. TALARICO: -- can I give you what I
19 know?

20 THE COURT: Yeah, please do.

21 MR. TALARICO: It is for the judge of
22 the court where this matter is currently pending
23 to authorize the administrator of the ARDC to
24 unseal the file and send it to you privately.

1 Then you review it, and then you give out to the
2 parties the information. This has become a key
3 point, Judge.

4 Yesterday, Mr. Dulberg filed
5 something that is going to end up being criminal
6 charges against me in your case.

7 THE COURT: Oh, okay.

8 MR. TALARICO: He has charged me with
9 perjury and lying to the ARDC, professional --

10 MR. KOST: Yes.

11 THE COURT: Yeah, hold on, Mr. Dulberg
12 (sic). We take turns here. The court reporter
13 can only record one person at a time, so I'll
14 tell you when it's your turn, Mr. Dulberg (sic).

15 Mr. Talarico, go ahead.

16 MR. TALARICO: Okay. He has charged me
17 with professional misconduct under the Illinois
18 Rules of Professional Conduct, perjury under
19 Illinois law and potential disbarment and
20 professional consequences by writing in his
21 response to my motion to see the file.

22 Judge, he doesn't want you to see
23 this file. That's what this is all about.

24 THE COURT: Okay.

1 MR. TALARICO: But anyway, the opening
2 sentence is, "Talarico intentionally and
3 systematically lied to the ARDC throughout his
4 response to the ARDC complaint against him."

5 Lying to the ARDC would get me
6 disbarred. You have to see this file, Judge.

7 THE COURT: Okay. Well, like I said,
8 this is a new one on me, so hold on just a
9 moment.

10 Mr. Dulberg (sic), do you want to
11 say anything?

12 Is Mr. Kost there with you?

13 MR. KOST: Yes. I'm Thomas Kost
14 speaking for Paul Dulberg, and Paul Dulberg is
15 here.

16 THE COURT: Okay. There you go.

17 All right. Anything you want to
18 say in brief response to what Mr. Talarico just
19 said?

20 MR. KOST: Yes. In our exhibits, we
21 placed the complaint and Mr. Talarico's response
22 and the ARDC final decision in our -- as
23 exhibits. So, no, we're not trying to hide this
24 from you. We want -- we asked on the 15th of

1 July and ever since then that it be entered into
2 the record. We like this because it is ten
3 pages of straightforward, very easily provable
4 lying, which is what we --

5 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Talarico, is it
6 correct that what you want me to see -- I didn't
7 even see what Mr. Kost and Mr. Dulberg filed
8 yet.

9 Is it correct that what you want
10 me to see is what they attached to their
11 response to your motion?

12 MR. TALARICO: No, Judge. I want you
13 to see the entire file, what Mr. Dulberg and
14 Mr. Kost have done before the ARDC.

15 MR. KOST: I agree --

16 THE COURT: Mr. Kost, you were about to
17 say something?

18 MR. KOST: I agree with that, and we
19 also -- the entire file would consist of a
20 34-gigabyte hard drive where all our exhibits --
21 all our ARDC complaints were filed with a single
22 hard drive with all the exhibits together, so
23 that would be part of what Mr. Talarico is
24 talking about.

1 And we totally agree with -- we
2 wanted you to see it. We've been bringing it up
3 ever since we found out about this.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Well, let me say
5 this, because this is entirely new to me: I
6 don't know -- I'll take your suggestion,
7 Mr. Talarico, but I guess I'll do a little
8 investigating of it myself just to see what the
9 appropriate way for me to tell the ARDC to give
10 me more of the file than I've already seen, so
11 I'll do what I can to do that.

12 Now, counsel for ADR, I guess you
13 were just here to see what was going to happen,
14 right?

15 MS. MEHROTRA: Yes. We're here today
16 because we thought you'd be ruling on the motion
17 to reconsider today. That's why we're here.

18 THE COURT: Yeah. Well, Mr. Talarico,
19 in addition to asking me to get the file
20 regarding the charges with the ARDC, he's asked
21 for an extension of his response time.

22 Now, Mr. Talarico, do you have all
23 of the stuff you need to respond, and is it just
24 a question of --

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1 MR. TALARICO: No.

2 THE COURT: Okay. So you want me to
3 get stuff that I can give to you?

4 MR. TALARICO: That's right.

5 THE COURT: Okay. The ARDC --

6 MR. KOST: Your Honor --

7 THE COURT: Wait. Hold on. Let me ask
8 a question.

9 So the ARDC didn't -- they don't
10 share with you their file on you?

11 I'm inexperienced with
12 this process.

13 MR. TALARICO: No, they don't.

14 THE COURT: Okay. So here's what I'll
15 do: Because this is entirely new, I'm going to
16 have to do some investigating and some hunting
17 and stuff like that, which I will do.

18 I'm going to give you a status
19 date. Let's see. Let me find a space in my
20 calendar here.

21 MR. TALARICO: Judge, it might be
22 helpful if I tell you recommended order
23 language. I'm not telling you to change what
24 you're going to do today, just the things that

1 would typically be in these type of orders. It
2 would be typically authorizing the unsealing and
3 disclosure of the ARDC file regarding me, and it
4 has a number and --

5 THE COURT: Excuse me. Let me
6 interrupt.

7 Rather than me trying to write it
8 all down as you tell it to me, I'm going to
9 suggest that you send an e-mail to the Court's
10 mailbox and include all of the parties in it.
11 And that can be your suggested order, and I'll
12 see what I can find out about what I can do.

13 I'm going to set this for status
14 August 26th -- that's a Monday -- at 9:00
15 o'clock. August 26th at 9:00.

16 Hopefully, by then, I'll know some
17 stuff. I don't know whether -- I don't know how
18 long it will take me to get anything, but
19 August 26th at 9:00. We'll see what's going to
20 happen between now and then and see what I find
21 out, okay?

22 So thanks, everybody.

23 MR. KOST: Well, there's another issue,
24 sir.

1 THE COURT: Pardon me?

2 MR. KOST: There's another issue, and
3 that is that last time, June 10th, 2025, you
4 asked Mr. Chapman, opposing counsel, to issue an
5 order for you, and that order was never issued.
6 So it's in the transcript, but it was never --
7 it's not filed. There's no order filed like you
8 asked him to do.

9 THE COURT: Was it just continuing the
10 case or what? I don't remember.

11 MS. MEHROTRA: Your Honor, we had sent
12 that draft of the order in, and I believe I saw
13 it on the docket that you entered it. We had
14 sent it right afterwards. It was the one that
15 set the date for today, today's status, and also
16 Mr. Talarico's response date, so --

17 MR. KOST: The order is in?

18 THE COURT: Oh, yeah, that's definitely
19 in because that's why this is on my calendar
20 today.

21 MS. MEHROTRA: Yes, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Okay.

23 MR. KOST: All right. We don't have
24 it. If someone could send it to us, that would

1 be -- I'd appreciate it, please, if we could
2 just see the order.

3 THE COURT: I'm not the someone who's
4 going to do that.

5 MS. MEHROTRA: Your Honor, I can take
6 care of that.

7 MR. KOST: Thank you. There's one --

8 MS. MEHROTRA: And then --

9 MR. KOST: Oh, please.

10 MS. MEHROTRA: Sorry. I just want to
11 make sure the order for the next one will just
12 include that we're set for further status on
13 August 26th, and that's the only language?

14 I apologize. I'm a little
15 confused with all of the --

16 THE COURT: No. Confusion is
17 understandable. And, yeah, that's all we need
18 to say is August 26th at 9:00 for further
19 status, okay?

20 Now, Mr. Kost, you were about to
21 say something else.

22 MR. KOST: Yes, the question of who
23 represents Talarico now because I believe Tom
24 Long is still registered as his attorney. I'm

1 confused on who is representing Talarico and
2 whether they filed an appearance at all.

3 THE COURT: Okay. I'll worry about
4 that.

5 MR. KOST: Very good.

6 THE COURT: I'll take a look at the
7 docket. I will worry about that, okay?

8 MR. KOST: Thank you.

9 THE COURT: Okay. All right.

10 Anything else for this morning?

11 MR. KOST: No. Thank you.

12 MS. MEHROTRA: Not for ADR. Thank you,
13 Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Thanks, everybody.

15 Thank you, Madam Court Reporter.

16 Everybody, have a good rest of
17 your day, okay?

18 MR. TALARICO: Thank you for your time,
19 Judge.

20 THE COURT: Okay. Thanks a lot.

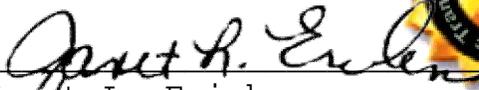
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