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This Stipulation by and between Aetna Life Insurance Company ("Aetna") and Verity Holdings, LLC ("Verity Holdings") is entered into based upon the following facts:

- A. On or about December 23, 2016, Aetna entered into the Conditional Settlement Agreement, Including Defendants' Agreement To Pay Settlement Amount Or Have Judgment Entered Against Them, a true and correct copy which is attached to this Stipulation as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Conditional Settlement"), with the parties identified as the "Defendants" in the Conditional Settlement (the "Defendants");
- B. Effective on January 17, 2017, Verity Holdings and Aetna entered into the Guarantee Agreement (the "Guarantee"), a true and correct copy of which is attached to this Stipulation as Exhibit "B" incorporated herein by this reference. Pursuant to the Guarantee, Verity Holdings guaranteed the "Obligations" of the Defendants under the Conditional Settlement, as that term is defined in the Guarantee.
- C. Pursuant to the Conditional Settlement, the Defendants were obligated to pay to Aetna \$6,666,667 no later than December 31, 2018.
  - D. The Defendants did not make the foregoing payment.
- E. On January 2, 2019, Aetna sent to the Defendants the demand letter, a true and correct copy of which is attached to this Stipulation as Exhibit "C" and incorporated herein by this reference.
- F. The Defendants contend that Aetna is required to also deliver a written notice of the default or nonpayment by Defendants to Verity Holdings in order to trigger an "Event of Default" by Defendants under the Conditional Settlement, as that term is defined in Paragraph 6 of the Conditional Settlement. Aetna contends that the Defendants' arguments regarding the appropriate construction of Paragraph 6 of the Conditional Settlement are unfounded and that Aetna is not required to also deliver a notice to Verity Holdings to trigger an Event of Default by Defendants under the Conditional Settlement.
- G. Aetna seeks to avoid the unnecessary delay and expense of litigation regarding the appropriate construction of Paragraph 6 of the Conditional Settlement by sending a written notice of the Defendants' default or nonpayment to Verity Holdings.

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thereby redu	ce the secondary liability of Verity Holdings under the Guarantee.

# NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- The automatic stay that arose pursuant to Bankruptcy Code § 362(a) (the "Automatic Stay") upon the filing of the voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code by Verity Holdings with this Court shall be and is hereby modified to permit Aetna to deliver to Verity Holdings a written notice of the default or nonpayment by Defendants under the Conditional Settlement and that such amounts are due and payable under the Guarantee, based on the Defendants' failure to pay the December 31, 2018, installment as and when it was due from Defendants to Aetna under the Conditional Settlement.
- Notwithstanding any implication to the contrary in this Stipulation, the Automatic Stay is not modified to permit Aetna to commence, continue or otherwise take any further acts to enforce, collect or recover under the Guarantee (except by filing a proof of claim in the abovecaptioned chapter 11 case of Verity Holdings).
- 3. Notwithstanding the modification of the Automatic Stay under this Stipulation, Verity Holdings reserves any and all defenses it may have with respect to its obligations under the Guarantee and nothing contained herein shall constitute a waiver of any such defenses or an acknowledgment by Aetna that Verity Holdings has any defenses under the Guarantee.

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	Attorneys for Creditor, Aetna Life Insurance Company

Dated: February, 2019	PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP
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# **EXHIBIT A**

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15	AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,	LEAD CASE NO. 1-12-CV-217943
16	Plaintiff, v.	CONSOLIDATED CASES: 1-12-CV-216083; l-12-CV-216515; l-12-CV- 218954; 1-12-CV-221328; l-12-CV-223325;
17	BAY AREA SURGICAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, et al.,	1-12-CV-223326; l-12-CV-223327; l-12-CV-228181; l-12-CV-228474; l-12-CV-228699; l-12-
18   19	Defendants.	CV-229315; l-12-CV-229376; l-12-CV-229648; l-12-CV-230427; l-12-CV-230428; l-12-CV-232610
20	BAY AREA SURGICAL MANAGEMENT, LLC; BAY AREA SURGICAL GROUP, INC.: FOREST AMBULATORY SURGICAL	NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE
21	ASSOCIATES, LP; SOAR SURGERY CENTER, LLC; KNOWLES SURGERY	3.1385(c) OF THE CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT
22 23	CENTER, LLC; NATIONAL AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER, LLC; and LOS ALTOS SURGERY CENTER, LP	ASSIGNED FOR ALL PURPOSES TO: HON. PATRICIA M. LUCAS
24	Cross-Complainants, v.	Dept: 19 Action Filed: February 2, 2012
25	AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND AS CLAIMS	Trial Date: March 16, 2016
26	ADMINISTRATOR FOR SELF-FUNDED PLAN SPONSORS; AETNA HEALTH OF	
27	CALIFORNIA, INC; and AETNA HEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC	
28	Cross-Defendants.	

### TO ALL PARTIES AND TO THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the parties herein have reached a conditional settlement, as stated in the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The Agreement provides for, among other things, periodic payments, with the final payment due on or before December 31, 2019.

Accordingly, the conditions for settlement will not be performed within 45 days. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1385(c).)

The Agreement further provides that Plaintiff will dismiss this action with prejudice within five (5) business days of the final payment to Aetna. If the final payment is made on December 31, 2019, then Aetna will dismiss this action with prejudice no later than January 8, 2020.

Pursuant to Cal. Rule of Court 3.1385(c)(3)(A), any and all hearings and other proceedings requiring the appearance of a party to this action will be vacated and no hearings or other proceeding requiring the appearance of a party earlier than 45 days after January 8, 2020, unless requested by a party.

DATED: December 73, 2016

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# CONDITIONAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Plaintiff Aetna Life Insurance Company ("Aetna") and Defendants Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC, Bay Area Surgical Group, Inc., Forest Ambulatory Surgical Associates, LP, SOAR Surgery Center, LLC, Knowles Surgery Center, LLC, National Ambulatory Surgery Center, LLC and Los Altos Surgery Center, LP ("Corporate Defendants"), Robert Sarnevesht, Javad Zolfaghari, and Julia Hashemieh (together with Corporate Defendants, "Defendants") (Aetna and the Defendants are collectively referred to as the "Parties") enter into this Conditional Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") with reference to the following facts:

WHEREAS on February 2, 2012, Aetna filed a lawsuit against Defendants, and others, on its own behalf and as claims administrator for its self-funded plan sponsors, in the Superior Court of Santa Clara County (the "Complaint"), alleging causes of action for, inter alia, fraud, intentional interference with contractual relations, negligent interference with prospective economic relations, and unjust enrichment. Certain Defendants filed a series of Cross-Complaints against Aetna alleging breach of contract, unfair business practices (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200, et seq.), false advertising (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17500 et seq.), intentional interference with prospective economic advantage, negligent interference with prospective economic advantage, promissory estoppel, and declaratory relief (the "Cross-Complaints"). The Complaint and the Cross-Complaints were eventually consolidated into Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC, et al. v. Aetna Life Insurance Company, No. 1-12-cv-217943 (hereinafter the "Action").

WHEREAS on April 8, 2016, the Court in the Action granted Aetna's motion for directed verdict regarding the claims remaining in the consolidated Cross-Complaints, and dismissed them with prejudice.

WHEREAS following a four-week trial, on April 14, 2016, a jury rendered a verdict for Aetna and awarded Aetna \$37,452,199 in damages (the "<u>Jury Verdict</u>") and currently no judgment is entered as to that Jury Verdict.

WHEREAS on July 25, 2016, the Parties, desiring to resolve all matters between them, entered into that certain Stipulation and Order Regarding Extension to Temporary Stay of Proceedings, and Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered

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Against Them, which was approved and ordered by the Court on August 5, 2016 (the "Original Stipulation and Order").

WHEREAS the Original Stipulation and Order provides for Defendants to make three separate settlement payments to Aetna (defined in the Original Stipulation and Order as the "First Settlement Payment," the "Second Settlement Payment," and the "Third Settlement Payment") totaling \$40,000,000, upon the completion of which Aetna will dismiss the Action with prejudice.

WHEREAS Defendants timely made the First Settlement Payment of \$5,000,000.00 on or around August 26, 2016.

WHEREAS the Original Stipulation and Order provides for two additional settlement payments, a Second Settlement Payment of \$15,000,000.00 due on September 30, 2016, and a Third Settlement Payment of \$20,000,000.00, due on December 31, 2016.

WHEREAS, Defendants represented that they were not able to make the Second Settlement Payment on September 30, 2016, and rather than exercising the remedies described in the Original Stipulation and Order, Aetna agreed to extend the date for the Second Settlement Payment to October 14, 2016 in exchange for Defendants' dismissal with prejudice of certain related litigation (specified in paragraph 5 of the Original Stipulation and Order) they had filed against Aetna.

WHEREAS, Defendants represented that they were not able to make the Second Settlement Payment on October 14, 2016, and requested a further extension of time to make the agreed payments to facilitate the completion of the sale of an interest in certain Corporate Defendants to secure the funds with which to make the Second Settlement Payment and the Third Settlement Payment.

WHEREAS, Aetna has agreed to extend the stipulated time for the remaining payments on the conditions set forth in this Agreement, and the attached Guarantee Agreement.

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing facts, the Parties desire to enter into a new schedule for the payment of the Second Settlement Payment and the amounts comprising the Third Settlement Payment.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide the Defendants with additional time to make the Second Settlement Payment and the amounts comprising the Third Settlement Payment on the condition that Verity Holdings, LLC ("Verity Holdings") guarantee Defendants' obligations

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in respect of the amounts comprising the Third Settlement Payment in accordance with, and enters into, the Guarantee Agreement attached hereto as Attachment A (the "Guarantee Agreement").

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between Aetna and the Defendants, that:

- 1. Paragraphs 1-7 of the Original Stipulation and Order are deemed deleted and are of no further force or effect, and are replaced in their entirety with the following terms. The remaining provisions of the Original Stipulation and Order are incorporated herein as if fully set forth.
- 2. Defendants agree to pay, or cause to be paid, in the aggregate, the Second Settlement Payment of \$15,000,000 to Aetna on or before January 3, 2017.
- Defendants agree to pay, or cause to be paid, in the aggregate, the amounts comprising 3. the Third Settlement Payment of \$20,000,000 (the "Third Settlement Payment **Obligations**"), plus 6.0% simple interest on the outstanding principal balance thereof (the accrual of which will begin on January 1, 2017), over three years, as follows:
  - Defendants will pay, or cause to be paid, an amount equal to a \$5,000,000 (i) portion of the outstanding principal balance of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, to Aetna no later than sixty days after the Second Settlement Payment is made (the "First Installment").
  - Defendants will pay, or cause to be paid, an amount equal to a \$1,666,667 (ii) portion of the outstanding principal balance of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, plus all interest accrued on the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, to Aetna no later than December 31, 2017 (the "Second Installment").
  - Defendants will pay, or cause to be paid, an amount equal to a \$6,666,667 (iii) portion of the outstanding principal balance of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, plus all interest accrued on the unpaid balance of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, to Aetna no later than December 31, 2018 (the "Third Installment").

- (iv) Defendants will pay, or cause to be paid, all of the then remaining outstanding principal balance of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, plus all interest accrued on the unpaid balance of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations (the "Fourth Installment"), to Aetna on or before December 31, 2019 (the date of payment in full of the obligations set forth in this Section 3, whether in accordance with the above schedule, in connection with any prepayment by the Defendants, or in connection with any payment or prepayment by Verity Holdings pursuant to the Guarantee Agreement or otherwise, referred to as the "Settlement Date").
- (v) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Defendants may prepay, or cause to be prepaid, all or any portion of the Third Settlement Payment Obligations without penalty or premium, and any payments made by or on behalf of the Defendants following the payment in full of the Second Settlement Payment (including, without limitation, any payment or prepayment by Verity Holdings pursuant to the Guarantee Agreement or otherwise) shall be applied towards the payment of, and reduce the amount of, first, the First Installment, second, the Second Installment, third, the Third Installment, and finally, the Fourth Installment. For clarity, any such amounts that are prepaid shall no longer be subject to the accrual of interest.
- 4. No later than January 3, 2017, Defendant SOAR Surgery Center, LLC will execute and deliver to Aetna the "Release" attached as Attachment A to the Original Stipulation and Order.
- 5. <u>If</u> Defendants satisfy all the terms of paragraphs 2-4 above (or if any such obligations are fulfilled by Verity Holdings pursuant to the Guarantee Agreement or otherwise), <u>then</u> Aetna will dismiss the Action with prejudice and with each party to bear its own attorney's fees and costs by filing a Request for Dismissal with Prejudice within five (5) business days of the Settlement Date.

- 6. If Defendants fail to satisfy any of the terms of paragraphs 2-3 or a Guarantee Default (as defined in the Guarantee Agreement) occurs and Verity Holdings fails to pay any such amounts in accordance with the terms of the Guarantee Agreement or otherwise, within ten (10) business days' written notice from Aetna to Verity Holdings that such amounts are due and payable pursuant to the Guarantee Agreement, then any such failure shall constitute an "Event of Default", and:
  - (i) all amounts remaining unpaid under Paragraphs 2 and 3 above as of the date of the Event of Default (together with all interest accrued but unpaid thereon as of the date of the Event of Default) (the "<u>Unpaid Amounts</u>") shall be accelerated and become immediately due and payable; and
  - (ii) Aetna will notify the Court that no settlement has been reached, and request that the Court lift the stay and enter judgment against the Defendants in the form of judgment attached as Attachment B to the Original Stipulation and Order as soon as practicable and the Defendants will not oppose this request.
  - (iii) Any payments made pursuant to the Original Stipulation and Order or this Agreement (or by Verity Holdings pursuant to the Guarantee Agreement or otherwise) prior to an Event of Default in excess of \$2,547,801 will be credited against the amount due Aetna under the entered judgment, and any payments made pursuant to the entered judgment will be credited against any amounts due pursuant to the Agreement (or by Verity Holdings pursuant to the Guarantee Agreement or otherwise).
  - (iv) Defendants hereby waive the right to appeal any judgment entered pursuant to this provision.
- 7. If a case under the Bankruptcy Code is filed by or against any Defendant and judgment has not been entered pursuant to Paragraph 6, and if an Event of Default has also occurred, the Defendants subject to the bankruptcy proceeding shall stipulate in those proceedings to relief from the automatic stay to allow filing and entry of the judgment in this matter, and no Defendant will object to the entry of judgment. The

stipulation is limited to relief from the automatic stay and entry of judgment, and does not extend to enforcement of the judgment against the debtor in the bankruptcy case, and the Parties shall reserve all rights regarding whether any further relief from the stay should be granted.

8. Written notice will be provided by e-mail communication and shall be satisfied upon delivery to the following individuals on behalf of the parties indicated:

If to any of the Defendants other than SOAR Surgery Center, LLC, to each of:

Julia Hashemieh: julia@basurgical.com;

Bobby Sarnevesht: bobby@basurgical.com; and

Javad Zolfaghari: javad@basurgical.com

with a copy to each of:

Michael Amir Mamir@dollamir.com; and

Mark Waxman markwaxman@verity.org

If to SOAR Surgery Center, LLC, to:

Managing Partner: gabrodymd@mac.com

with a copy to each of:

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- 9. All payments made to Aetna under this Agreement, the Original Stipulation and Order or the Guarantee Agreement are deemed earned by Aetna and are in consideration for Aetna extending the time of payment and foregoing its right to seek entry of judgment against Defendants. Should the Court enter judgment pursuant to paragraph 6 hereof, neither Defendants nor Verity Holdings shall be entitled to the return of such payments.
- 10. Aetna represents and warrants that it has not transferred or assigned, and is the sole owner of, the verdict rendered in the Action, and agrees that it shall not transfer or

1	assign, and shall remain the sole owner of, the rights to enforce the verdict in the	
2	Action.	
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## **GUARANTEE AGREEMENT**

DATED AS OF JANUARY 1, 2017

BY

VERITY HOLDINGS, LLC

AS GUARANTOR,

IN FAVOR OF

AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

GUARANTEE AGREEMENT, dated as of January 1, 2017 (this "Guarantee"), by Verity Holdings, LLC, a \_\_\_\_\_\_ ("Initial Guarantor") in favor of AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ("Aetna"), a Connecticut corporation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, this Guarantee shall not be effective unless and until the Notice of Conditional Settlement in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto shall have been filed with the Court in the Action (as defined below).

## $\underline{W} \underline{I} \underline{T} \underline{N} \underline{E} \underline{S} \underline{S} \underline{E} \underline{T} \underline{H}$ :

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2012, Aetna filed a lawsuit (the "Complaint") against Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC, Bay Area Surgical Group, Inc., Forest Ambulatory Surgical Associates, LP, SOAR Surgery Center, LLC, Knowles Surgery Center, LLC, National Ambulatory Surgery Center, LLC and Los Altos Surgery Center, LP, Robert Sarnevesht, Javad Zolfaghari, and Julia Hashemieh (the "Defendants"), and others, on its own behalf and as claims administrator for its self-funded plan sponsors, in the State of California for the County of Santa Clara (the "Court"), alleging causes of action for, inter alia, fraud, intentional interference with contractual relations, negligent interference with prospective economic relations, and unjust enrichment.

WHEREAS, certain Defendants filed a series of Cross-Complaints against Aetna alleging breach of contract, unfair business practices (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200, et seq.), false advertising (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17500 et seq.), intentional interference with prospective economic advantage, negligent interference with prospective economic advantage, promissory estoppel, and declaratory relief (the "Cross-Complaints"). The Complaint and the Cross-Complaints were eventually consolidated into *Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC, et al. v. Aetna Life Insurance Company*, No. 1-12-cv-217943 (hereinafter the "Action").

WHEREAS a monetary judgment in the amount of \$37,452,199.00 was entered in Aetna's favor on April 14, 2016 (the "<u>Judgment</u>") and notice of entry of the Judgment was served by the clerk pursuant to Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 664.5 on the same date.

WHEREAS on June 9 and 10, 2016, Defendants filed submissions arguing, among other things, that the Judgment was defective and void because it was entered before a final determination of all the rights of the parties to the Action.

WHEREAS on June 15, 2016, the Court issued an order vacating the Judgment and stating that it would enter a new judgment upon resolution of the issues raised by Defendants in their June 9 and 10 submissions.

WHEREAS at the request of the parties to the Action, on June 30, the Court ordered a temporary stay of all proceedings until and including July 18, 2016, so that the Parties had time to engage in serious settlement negotiations that they believed could result in a complete and final resolution of the Action, which stay was later extended until and including July 25, 2015.

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2016, the parties to the Action, desiring to resolve all matters between them, entered into that certain Stipulation and Order Regarding Extension to Temporary Stay of Proceedings, and Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered Against Them, which was approved and ordered by the Court on August 5, 2016 (the "Stipulation and Order").

WHEREAS, under the Stipulation and Order, Defendants are required to make three separate settlement payments to Aetna, upon the completion of which Aetna will dismiss the Action with prejudice.

WHEREAS, Defendants timely made the First Settlement Payment (as defined in the Stipulation and Order) of \$5,000,000.00 on or around August 26, 2016.

WHEREAS, Defendants are required under the Stipulation and Order to make two additional settlement payments, a "Second Settlement Payment" of \$15,000,000.00 which was due on September 30, 2016, and a "Third Settlement Payment" of \$20,000,000.00, due on December 31, 2016.

WHEREAS, Defendants have represented to Aetna that they are unable to timely make the Second Settlement Payment, and have asked Aetna to forbear from exercising its remedies under the Stipulation and Order until, and not to exercise such remedies if, Defendants satisfy their obligation to make the Second Settlement payment by a date agreed between Aetna and Defendants.

WHEREAS, Aetna and the Defendants have entered into that certain Conditional Settlement Agreement, Including Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered Against Them (the "Agreement") dated December [ ], 2016, pursuant to which Aetna has agreed to a revised payment schedule. Aetna was willing to agree to the Agreement and provide the Defendants with additional time to make the Second Settlement Payment and the amounts comprising the Third Settlement Payment only if Guarantor executes and delivers this Guarantee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and for other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties to this Guarantee hereto agree as follows:

#### Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

1.01. <u>Definition of Certain Terms Used Herein</u>. As used herein, terms defined in the Stipulation and Order and in the Agreement shall have the meanings set forth therein and the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Appraised Value" means the "Total Net Value" (as determined by the Appraiser in the most recent Qualified Appraisal Update or, until the first Qualified Appraisal Update, the Initial Valuation) of (a) the Guarantor's Eligible Real Property that is included in the most recent Qualified Appraisal Update or, until the first Qualified Appraisal Update, the Initial Valuation.

"Appraiser" shall be a qualified, licensed real estate appraiser selected and employed by Guarantor at Guarantor's sole expense, but approved in writing by Aetna, such approval not to be unreasonably delayed, denied or withheld.

"Bankruptcy Code" means title 11, United States Code, as amended from time to time, and any successor statute thereto.

"Event of Default" has the meaning set forth in the Agreement.

"Fully Satisfied": with respect to the Obligations means that such Obligations have been paid in full.

"Guarantee Default" shall mean: (A) any failure by Guarantor to pay any of the Obligations when due and owing or timely deliver the Initial Valuation or a Qualified Appraisal when due; provided that Guarantor shall have 10 business days following written notice of such failure from Aetna to cure or (B) if any of the following occurs, provided that Guarantor shall have 45 days following written notice by Aetna of any such occurrence to cure: (1) failure of Guarantor to maintain a Loan-to-Value Ratio greater than .70 on Guarantor's Eligible Real Property at any time, or (2) if Guarantor's Net Worth drops to less than 125% of the balance owing to Aetna on any date.

"Guarantor" shall mean, initially, the Initial Guarantor. Following the execution and delivery by a Subsidiary of a Joinder pursuant to Section 8.14 hereof, the term "Guarantor" shall be deemed to refer to Initial Guarantor and each such Subsidiary, collectively and in the aggregate.

"Guarantor's Eligible Real Property" shall mean all real property owned by Guarantor the transfer of which does not require governmental approval and with respect to which Guarantor's operations do not require any governmental license to continue (other than standard commercial business licenses); however, the fact the operations of a lessee who leases part of a property from Guarantor may require such a license shall not prevent the premises owned by Guarantor and leased to a third party that operates at such premises from being included in Guarantor's Eligible Real Property.

"Guarantor's Net Worth" means the sum of (i) the most recent Appraised Values of all Guarantor Eligible Real Property actually owned by Guarantor, plus (ii) all cash and cash equivalents of Guarantor ("Cash"), minus (iii) all debts owed by Guarantor, excluding the Obligations under this Guarantee ("Indebtedness"). The value of the Guarantor Eligible Property shall be the Appraised Value, the Cash shall be the aggregate cash held by Guarantor on any given date, and the Indebtedness shall be the aggregate amount of the Indebtedness outstanding on any given date, whether or not then due.

"Initial Valuation" means a broker's opinion of value prepared by Appraiser of Guarantor's Eligible Real Property to be delivered to Aetna not later than March 31, 2017 by Guarantor.

"Joinder" means the Joinder Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference.

"Loan-to-Value Ratio" means, as of every date, with respect to all Secured Loans collectively with respect to the Guarantor's Eligible Real Property, a ratio where the numerator is the aggregate balance of all Secured Loan outstanding on that date, and the denominator is the Appraised Value of Guarantor's Eligible Real Property owned by Guarantor plus all Cash on that same date. For clarity, to the extent that there is more than one Guarantor, such calculation shall be made on an aggregate basis and not with respect to any individual Guarantor.

"Obligations" means all of Defendants' obligations under the Agreement to pay the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, including all interest thereon, less any amounts paid to Aetna for which Guarantor or any Defendant is entitled to a credit pursuant to Section 6(iii) of the Agreement.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, unincorporated association, any other entity, any governmental authority and any fiduciary acting in such capacity on behalf of any of the foregoing.

"Qualified Appraisal Update" means the appraisal to be delivered by Guarantor to Aetna not later than January 15<sup>th</sup> of each year from and including January 15, 2018, which is performed by an Appraiser, which either appraises or updates the appraisal of each Guarantor Eligible Real Property as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the immediately prior calendar year.

"Secured Loan" means any debt of any type, including any past due property taxes and any debt owing to any holder of a claim that is secured by a lien, mortgage or deed of trust on any of Guarantor's Eligible Real Property.

"Subsidiary" is an entity that is at all times 100% owned either by Initial Guarantor or by a Subsidiary of Initial Guarantor that has executed and delivered to Aetna a Joinder. If a Subsidiary ceases to be 100% owned by Initial Guarantor or by a Subsidiary of Initial Guarantor, the assets and liabilities of that entity will no longer be included in the calculation of the Loan-to-Value Ratio or the Guarantor's Net Worth.

1.02. <u>Rules of Interpretation</u>. Any of the terms defined in this <u>Section 1</u> may, unless the context otherwise requires, be used in the singular or the plural depending on the reference. All references to statutes and related regulations shall include (unless otherwise specifically provided herein) any amendments of same and any successor statutes and regulations.

#### Section 2. GUARANTEE.

- 2.01. <u>Guarantee</u>. (a) Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably, guarantees to Aetna, for the benefit of Aetna and its successors, endorsees, transferees and assigns, the prompt and complete payment by the Defendants when due (whether at the stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Obligations, in each case whether due or not due, direct or indirect, joint and/or several, absolute or contingent, voluntary or involuntary, liquidated or unliquidated, determined or undetermined, now or hereafter existing, renewed or restructured, whether or not from time to time decreased or extinguished and later increased, created or incurred, whether or not arising after the commencement of a proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code (including postpetition interest) and whether or not allowed or allowable as a claim in any such proceeding, and whether or not recovery of any such Obligation or liability may be barred by a statute of limitations or such Obligation or liability may otherwise be unenforceable. For clarity, nothing in this Guarantee shall be deemed to prevent Guarantor from making a pre-payment with respect to any of the Obligations.
- (b) The guarantee contained in this <u>Section 2</u> shall remain in full force and effect until all the Obligations shall have been Fully Satisfied. It shall not be necessary for Aetna (and Guarantor hereby waives any rights which Guarantor may have to require Aetna), in order to enforce the Obligations of Guarantor hereunder, first to (i) institute suit or exhaust its remedies against Defendants or others liable on the Obligations or any other person, (ii) enforce Aetna's rights to setoff or against any collateral which shall ever have been given as security, (iii) enforce Aetna' rights against any other guarantors of the guaranteed Obligations, or (iv) resort to any other means of obtaining payment of the Obligations. Aetna shall not be required to mitigate damages or take any other action to reduce, collect or enforce the Obligations.

Amendments, etc. with respect to the Obligations. Guarantor shall remain 2.03. obligated hereunder notwithstanding that, without any reservation of rights against Guarantor and without notice to or further assent by Guarantor, any demand for payment of any of the Obligations made by Aetna may be rescinded by Aetna and any of the Obligations continued. Aetna may modify or extend the Obligation of any Defendant, and/or compromise, amend, modify or refrain or forbear from enforcing its rights, including, without limitation any right of offset or any lien hereafter obtained, against any Defendant, without notice to or consent of the Guarantor, and such modification, extension, compromise, forbearance or other action by Aetna shall not release the Guarantor, or in any way impair Aetna's rights against the Guarantor; provided, however, that to the extent that such modification, extension, compromise, forbearance or other action by Aetna increases the amount of, or accelerates the timing of the payment of (or otherwise imposes any additional obligations, agreements or covenants on any of the Defendants, the breach or noncompliance of which could increase the amount of, or accelerate the timing of the payment of) any of the Obligations, Guarantor's commitment under this Guarantee will not be accelerated or increased. In such case, Guarantor shall remain liable for the Obligations pursuant to this Guarantee as though the increase in the amount of, or acceleration of the timing of the payment had not occurred.

Guarantee Absolute and Unconditional. Guarantor waives any and all 2.04. notice of the creation, renewal, extension or accrual of any of the Obligations and notice of or proof of reliance by Aetna upon the guarantee contained in this Section 2 or acceptance of the guarantee contained in this Section 2; Aetna's agreement to enter into the Agreement with respect to the Obligations shall conclusively be deemed to have been entered into in reliance upon this Guarantee and but for this Guarantee Aetna would not have agreed to the Agreement; and all dealings between Defendants and Guarantor, on the one hand, and Aetna, on the other hand, likewise shall be conclusively presumed to have been had or consummated in reliance upon this Guarantee. Guarantor waives diligence, presentment, protest, demand for payment and notice of default or nonpayment to or upon the Defendants or any of the guarantors with respect to the Obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon any default or nonpayment by Defendants with respect to the Obligations, Aetna will provide Guarantor with written notice of such default or nonpayment, and Guarantor shall have ten (10) business days from the date of its receipt of such notice to pay the amounts due thereon. Guarantor understands and agrees that this Guarantee shall be construed as a continuing, absolute and unconditional guarantee of payment (and not of collection) without regard to (a) the validity or enforceability of the Obligations or any security therefor or guarantee or right of offset with respect thereto at any time or from time to time held by Aetna; (b) any defense, set-off or counterclaim (other than a defense of payment, whether by or on behalf of any of the Defendants or by Guarantor hereunder or otherwise) which may at any time be available to or be asserted by Defendants or any other Person against Aetna; or (c) any other circumstance whatsoever (with or without notice to or knowledge of Defendants or Guarantor) which constitutes, or might be construed to constitute, an equitable or legal discharge of Defendants for the Obligations, or of Guarantor under the guarantee contained in this Section 2, in bankruptcy or in any other instance. When making any demand hereunder or otherwise pursuing its rights and remedies hereunder against Guarantor, Aetna may, but shall be under no obligation to, make a similar demand on or otherwise pursue such rights and remedies as it may have against Defendants, or any other Person or against any security or guarantee for the Obligations or any right of offset with respect thereto, and any failure by Aetna to make any such demand, to pursue such other rights or remedies or to collect any payments from Defendants, or any other Person or to realize upon any such security or guarantee or to exercise any such right of offset, or any release of Defendants, or

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any other Person or any such security, guarantee or right of offset, shall not relieve Guarantor of any obligation or liability hereunder, and shall not impair or affect the rights and remedies, whether express, implied or available as a matter of law, of Aetna against Guarantor. For the purposes hereof, "demand" shall include the commencement and continuance of any legal proceedings.

2.05. Reinstatement. The guarantee contained in this Section 2 shall continue to be effective, or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment, or any part thereof, of any of the Obligations is rescinded or must otherwise be restored or returned by Aetna upon the insolvency, bankruptcy, dissolution, liquidation or reorganization of any Defendant or Guarantor, or upon or as a result of the appointment of a receiver, intervenor or conservator of, or trustee or similar officer for, any Defendant or Guarantor or any substantial part of its property, or otherwise, all as though such payments had not been made.

#### 2.06. Intentionally omitted.

Election of Remedies. If Aetna may, under applicable law, proceed to 2.07. exercise rights giving it a lien upon any collateral, whether owned by Guarantor or by any other Person, either by judicial foreclosure or by nonjudicial sale or enforcement, or to exercise setoff rights as against any obligations Aetna may otherwise owe to Guarantor or any Defendant, Aetna may, at its sole option, determine which of its remedies or rights it may pursue without affecting any of its rights and remedies under this Section 2. If, in the exercise of any of its rights and remedies, Aetna shall forfeit any of its rights or remedies, including its right to enter a deficiency judgment against Guarantor or any other Person, whether because of any applicable laws pertaining to "election of remedies" or the like, Guarantor hereby consents to such action by Aetna and waives, to the extent permitted by applicable law, any claim based upon such action, so long as such action by Aetna shall not result in a full or partial loss of any rights of subrogation that Guarantor might otherwise have had but for such action by Aetna. In the event Aetna shall bid at any foreclosure or trustee's sale or at any private sale, Aetna may bid all or less than the amount of the Obligations and the amount of such bid need not be paid by Aetna but shall be credited against the Obligations. The amount of the successful bid at any such public sale, whether Aetna or any other party is the successful bidder, shall be conclusively deemed to be the fair market value of the collateral and the difference between such bid amount and the remaining balance of the Obligations shall be conclusively deemed to be the amount of the Obligations guaranteed under this Section 2, notwithstanding that any present or future law or court decision or ruling may have the effect of reducing the amount of any deficiency claim to which Aetna might otherwise be entitled but for such bidding at any such sale.

#### Section 3. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

- Section 4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES. To induce Aetna to forbear from immediately exercising its remedies under the Agreement, Guarantor hereby represents and warrants to Aetna as follows.
- 4.01. <u>Due Authority</u>. Guarantor has the right and requisite authority to guaranty the Obligations.
- 4.02. <u>No Consent or Approval</u>. No consent, approval, authorization or other order or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or any other person or entity is required for the guaranty by Guarantor of the Obligations.

- 4.03. <u>Binding Obligation</u>. This Guarantee has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Guarantor and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Guarantor enforceable against Guarantor in accordance with its terms.
- 4.04 <u>Value Received</u>. Based on Guarantor's business relationship with the Defendants, Guarantor receives a benefit as the result of the Agreement and, therefore, is receiving reasonably equivalent value for its commitment to provide this Guarantee.
- 4.05 <u>Financial Condition</u>. Guarantor is solvent, has reasonable capital for the business in which it is engaged and is able to pay its debts as they become due both before and after providing this Guarantee. As of the date of execution of this Guarantee, Guarantor owns fee simple legal title to each of the assets described in Schedule 4.05.
- 4.06. <u>Knowledge of Defendants' Financial Condition</u>. Guarantor has such information as it believes it needs about each Defendant to make an informed decision to provide this Guarantee and is not relying on any financial information or representations by Aetna about the status of any Defendant.
- Section 5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES. To induce Guarantor to enter into this Guarantee, Aetna hereby represents and warrants to Guarantor as follows.
- 5.01. <u>Due Authority</u>. Aetna has the right and requisite authority to enter into this Guarantee and the Agreement.
- 5.02. <u>No Consent or Approval</u>. No consent, approval, authorization or other order or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or any other person or entity is required for the entry by Aetna into this Guarantee or the Agreement.
- 5.03. <u>Binding Obligation</u>. This Guarantee has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Aetna and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Aetna enforceable against Aetna in accordance with its terms.
- 5.04. <u>Knowledge</u>. Aetna has such information as it believes it needs about each Defendant and Guarantor to make an informed decision to provide enter into this Guarantee and the Agreement and is not relying on any financial information or representations by Guarantor or any Defendant other than as specifically provided for herein.

#### Section 6. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES.

6.01. Upon the occurrence of a Guarantee Default, Aetna may exercise all rights and remedies available under this Guarantee. Guarantor agrees to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law that following the occurrence of a Guarantee Default it will not at any time plead, claim or take the benefit of any appraisal, valuation, stay, extension, moratorium or redemption law now or hereafter in force in order to prevent or delay the enforcement of this Guarantee, and Guarantor waives the benefit of all such laws to the extent it lawfully may do so; provided, however, that Guarantor reserves the right to assert that no Guarantee Default has occurred based on the Appraised Values. Guarantor agrees that it will not interfere with any right, power and remedy of Aetna provided for in this Guarantee or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise, or the exercise or beginning of the exercise by Aetna of any one or more of such rights, powers or remedies. No failure or delay on the part of Aetna to exercise any such right,

power or remedy and no notice or demand which may be given to or made upon Guarantor by Aetna with respect to any such remedies shall operate as a waiver thereof, or limit or impair Aetna's right to take any action or to exercise any power or remedy hereunder, without notice or demand, or prejudice its rights as against Guarantor in any respect.

6.02 Aetna agrees and acknowledges that upon the occurrence of a Guarantee Default, Guarantor's liability to Aetna will be controlled by the terms of this Guarantee. Guarantor shall be liable under this Guarantee for any unpaid portion of the Obligations and interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum, whether or not a Judgment is entered based on the Event of Default and the terms of the Settlement Agreement and regardless of the disposition of any subsequent appeal of the Judgment by Defendants, but Guarantor is not stipulating to entry of a judgment against Guarantor pursuant to the Agreement.

Section 7. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

Section 8. MISCELLANEOUS.

8.01. Notices. All notices, requests and demands to or upon Aetna or Guarantor hereunder shall be to the addresses thereof set forth on the signature pages hereto or at such other address as may be provided to the parties hereto in writing from time to time. In the event that Aetna shall deliver any notice or correspondence to any Defendant pursuant to the Stipulation and Order or the Agreement, Aetna shall, contemporaneously therewith, deliver a copy of such notice or correspondence to Guarantor; provided, however, that failure to provide such notice or any delay in providing such notice shall not release Guarantor, but shall only extend Guarantor's cure periods under the Agreement or this Guarantee which will only start to run when such written notice is provided to Guarantor.

GOVERNING LAW; CONSENT TO JURISDICTION; SERVICE OF 8.02. THIS GUARANTEE SHALL BE A CONTRACT MADE UNDER AND PROCESS. GOVERNED BY THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN SUCH STATE, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES (OTHER THAN SECTION 5-1401 OF THE CALIFORNIA GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW). ANY LITIGATION BASED HEREON, OR ARISING OUT OF, UNDER, OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS GUARANTEE SHALL BE BROUGHT AND MAINTAINED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OR IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION AS SET FORTH ABOVE. EACH PARTY HERETO FURTHER IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS BY REGISTERED MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, OR BY PERSONAL SERVICE WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY OBJECTION WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT REFERRED TO ABOVE AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH LITIGATION HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM.

- 8.03. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL, ETC. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING TO ENFORCE OR DEFEND ANY RIGHTS UNDER THIS GUARANTEE, OR WHICH MAY IN THE FUTURE BE DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HEREWITH, AND AGREES THAT ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE TRIED BEFORE A COURT AND NOT BEFORE A JURY.
- 8.04. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Guarantee may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract.
- 8.05. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of each section of this Guarantee are for convenience only and shall not define or limit the provisions thereof.
- 8.06. No Strict Construction. The parties hereto have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Guarantee. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Guarantee shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties hereto and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any provisions of this Guarantee.
- 8.07. <u>Severability</u>. The illegality or unenforceability of any provision of this Guarantee or any instrument or agreement required hereunder shall not in any way affect or impair the legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Guarantee or any instrument or agreement required hereunder.
- 8.08. <u>Survival of Agreement</u>. All representations, warranties and agreements made by or on behalf of Guarantor in this Guarantee shall survive the execution and delivery hereof or thereof and the making and repayment of the Obligations. In addition, notwithstanding anything herein or under applicable law to the contrary, the provisions of this Guarantee and the Agreement relating to indemnification or payment of costs and expenses, shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and any termination of this Guarantee.

#### 8.09. Fees and Expenses; Indemnification.

- (a) Guarantor agrees to pay upon demand the amount of any and all reasonable expenses, including the reasonable fees, disbursements and other charges of counsel and of any experts or agents, which Aetna may incur in connection with (x) collecting against Guarantor under the guarantee contained in Section 2 or otherwise enforcing or preserving any rights under this Guarantee and the Agreement, or (y) the exercise, enforcement or protection of any of the rights of Aetna hereunder; provided that in each case, such amounts were appropriately incurred and Aetna is the prevailing party with respect to any dispute in connection therewith.
- (b) The agreements in this <u>Section 8.09</u> shall survive repayment of the Obligations and the termination of this Guarantee.
- 8.10. <u>Binding Effect; Several Agreement; Assignment.</u> This Guarantee is binding upon Guarantor and Aetna and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the Guarantor, Aetna and their respective successors and permitted assigns, except that Guarantor shall not have any right to assign or transfer its rights or obligations hereunder or any interest herein without the prior written consent of Aetna (and any such assignment or

transfer shall be void). Aetna may assign, indorse or transfer any instrument evidencing all or any part of the Obligations, in accordance with applicable law, and the holder of such instrument shall be entitled to the benefits of this Guarantee.

#### 8.11. Waivers; Amendment.

- (a) No failure or delay of Aetna in exercising any power or right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such a right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of Aetna hereunder are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provisions of this Guarantee or consent to any departure by Guarantor therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by paragraph (b) below, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. No notice to or demand on Guarantor in any case shall entitle Guarantor to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances.
- (b) Neither this Guarantee nor any provision hereof may be waived, amended or modified except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by Aetna and Guarantor; <u>provided</u> that any provision of this Guarantee imposing obligations on Guarantor may be waived by Aetna in a written instrument executed by Aetna.
- 8.12. <u>Integration</u>. This Guarantee, the Stipulation and Order and the Agreement constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Guarantor acknowledges that Aetna has made no representations or warranties of any kind to induce Guarantor to enter into this Guarantee other than as may be specifically set forth in this Guarantee, the Stipulation and Order or the Agreement. Aetna acknowledges that Guarantor has made no representations or warranties of any kind to induce Aetna to enter into this Guarantee, the Stipulation and Order or the Agreement other than as may be specifically set forth in this Guarantee.

#### 8.13. Acknowledgments. Guarantor hereby acknowledges that:

- (a) it has been advised by counsel in the negotiation, execution and delivery of this Guarantee;
- (b) Aetna has no fiduciary relationship with or duty to it arising out of or in connection with this Guarantee or the Agreement, and the relationship between Guarantor, on the one hand, and Aetna, on the other hand, in connection herewith or therewith is solely that of debtor and creditor; and
- (c) no joint venture is created hereby or by the Agreement or otherwise exists by virtue of the transactions contemplated hereby among Guarantor and Aetna.
- 8.14. <u>Additional Guarantors</u>. Aetna and Guarantor acknowledge and agree that from time to time, at the election of Guarantor, one or more Subsidiaries of Guarantor may become an additional guarantor hereunder by the execution and delivery by such Subsidiary of a Joinder.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Guarantee Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written. **GUARANTOR:** VERITY HOLDINGS, LLC By:\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title: Address for Notices: AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY By: Name: Title: Address for Notices:

## JOINDER AGREEMENT

JOINDER AGREEMENT, dated as of [ ], made by [insert name of subsidiary joining as guarantor] ("Additional Guarantor"), in favor of Aetna Life Insurance Company ("Aetna"). All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Conditional Settlement Agreement, Including Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered Against Them (the "Agreement") dated as of January 1, 2017 and the Guarantee Agreement (as defined below), as applicable.

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Defendants and Aetna entered into the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED:

WHEREAS, in connection with the Agreement, Verity Holdings, LLC ("Verity") entered into the Guarantee Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2017 (as amended, amended and restated, supplemented, replaced or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Guarantee Agreement") in favor of Aetna, guaranteeing the Obligations of the Defendants under the Agreement;

WHEREAS, Additional Guarantor has agreed to become a party to the Guarantee Agreement; and WHEREAS, Additional Guarantor has agreed to execute and deliver this Joinder Agreement.

- 1. <u>Guarantee Agreement</u>. By executing and delivering this Joinder Agreement, the undersigned, hereby becomes a party to the Guarantee Agreement as a Guarantor thereunder with the same force and effect as if originally named as a Guarantor therein and expressly assumes all obligations and liabilities of a Guarantor thereunder, jointly and severally with Verity and each other Person that is or may become a Guarantor under the Guarantee Agreement. The undersigned hereby agrees to be jointly and severally bound as a Guarantor for the purposes of the Guarantee Agreement. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that all notices, consents, and other actions under the Guarantee Agreement may be taken by Verity on behalf of the undersigned and hereby grants to Verity an irrevocable power of attorney to take any and all actions required, authorized or allowed of each undersigned Guarantor.
- 2. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. THIS JOINDER AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Joinder Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

[INSERT NAME OF ADDITIONAL GUARANTOR]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREE	D
as of the date first above written:	

AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By:	
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17	BAY AREA SURGICAL MANAGEMENT,	218954; 1-12-CV-221328; 1-12-CV-223325; 1-12-CV-223326; 1-12-CV-223327; 1-12-CV-
18	LLC, et al.,	228181; 1-12-CV-228474; 1-12-CV-228699; 1-12-CV-229315; 1-12-CV-229376; 1-12-CV-229648;
19	Defendants.	1-12-CV-230427; l-12-CV-230428; l-12-CV- 232610
20	BAY AREA SURGICAL MANAGEMENT, LLC; BAY AREA SURGICAL GROUP,	NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL
21	INC.; FOREST AMBULATORY SURGICAL ASSOCIATES, LP; SOAR SURGERY	SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 3.1385(c) OF THE CALIFORNIA RULES OF
22	CENTER, LLC; KNOWLES SURGERY CENTER, LLC; NATIONAL	COURT
23	AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER, LLC; and LOS ALTOS SURGERY CENTER, LP	ASSIGNED FOR ALL PURPOSES TO: HON. PATRICIA M. LUCAS
24	Cross-Complainants,	Dept: 19 Action Filed: February 2, 2012
25	v. AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ON	Trial Date: March 16, 2016
26	ITS OWN BEHALF AND AS CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR FOR SELF-FUNDED	
27	PLAN SPONSORS; AETNA HEALTH OF CALIFORNIA, INC; and AETNA HEALTH	
28	MANAGEMENT, LLC Cross-Defendants	
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# TO ALL PARTIES AND TO THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the parties herein have reached a conditional settlement, as stated in the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The Agreement provides for, among other things, periodic payments, with the final payment due on or before December 31, 2019. Accordingly, the conditions for settlement may not be performed within 45 days. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1385(c).)

The Agreement further provides that Plaintiff will dismiss this action with prejudice within five (5) business days of the final payment to Aetna. If the final payment is made on December 31, 2019, then Aetna will dismiss this action with prejudice no later than January 8, 2020.

Pursuant to Cal. Rule of Court 3.1385(c)(3)(A), any and all hearings and other proceedings requiring the appearance of a party to this action will be vacated and no hearings or other proceeding requiring the appearance of a party earlier than 45 days after January 8, 2020, unless requested by a party.

DATED: December , 2016

GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER LLP

By: Richard J. Doren Gareth T. Evans Heather L. Richardson

Attorneys for Plaintiff

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7	I, Lindie S. Joy, declare as follows:				
8	I am employed in the County of San Francisco, State of California; I am over the age of				
9	eighteen years and am not a party to this action; my business address is Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher				
10	LLP, 333 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90071-3197, in said County and State. On				
11	December 23, 2016, I served true and correct copy of the following document:				
12	NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO				
13	DILLE 2 1385(c) OF THE CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT				
14	By e-mail: I also caused the above document(s) to be served in this action addressed to the				
15	interested parties of record listed below:				
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is true and correct.	
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# **EXHIBIT B**

# **GUARANTEE AGREEMENT**

DATED AS OF JANUARY 17, 2017

BY

VERITY HOLDINGS, LLC

AS GUARANTOR,

IN FAVOR OF

AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

GUARANTEE AGREEMENT, dated as of January 17, 2017 (this "Guarantee"), by Verity Holdings, LLC, a California limited liability company ("Initial Guarantor") in favor of AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ("Aetna"), a Connecticut corporation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, this Guarantee shall not be effective unless and until the Notice of Conditional Settlement in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto shall have been filed with the Court in the Action (as defined below).

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2012, Aetna filed a lawsuit (the "Complaint") against Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC, Bay Area Surgical Group, Inc., Forest Ambulatory Surgical Associates, LP, SOAR Surgery Center, LLC, Knowles Surgery Center, LLC, National Ambulatory Surgery Center, LLC and Los Altos Surgery Center, LP, Robert Sarnevesht, Javad Zolfaghari, and Julia Hashemieh (the "Defendants"), and others, on its own behalf and as claims administrator for its self-funded plan sponsors, in the State of California for the County of Santa Clara (the "Court"), alleging causes of action for, inter alia, fraud, intentional interference with contractual relations, negligent interference with prospective economic relations, and unjust enrichment.

WHEREAS, certain Defendants filed a series of Cross-Complaints against Aetna alleging breach of contract, unfair business practices (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200, et seq.), false advertising (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17500 et seq.), intentional interference with prospective economic advantage, negligent interference with prospective economic advantage, promissory estoppel, and declaratory relief (the "Cross-Complaints"). The Complaint and the Cross-Complaints were eventually consolidated into *Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC, et al. v. Aetna Life Insurance Company*, No. l-12-cv-217943 (hereinafter the "Action").

WHEREAS a monetary judgment in the amount of \$37,452,199.00 was entered in Aetna's favor on April 14, 2016 (the "<u>Judgment</u>") and notice of entry of the Judgment was served by the clerk pursuant to Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 664.5 on the same date.

WHEREAS on June 9 and 10, 2016, Defendants filed submissions arguing, among other things, that the Judgment was defective and void because it was entered before a final determination of all the rights of the parties to the Action.

WHEREAS on June 15, 2016, the Court issued an order vacating the Judgment and stating that it would enter a new judgment upon resolution of the issues raised by Defendants in their June 9 and 10 submissions.

WHEREAS at the request of the parties to the Action, on June 30, the Court ordered a temporary stay of all proceedings until and including July 18, 2016, so that the Parties had time to engage in serious settlement negotiations that they believed could result in a complete and final resolution of the Action, which stay was later extended until and including July 25, 2015.

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2016, the parties to the Action, desiring to resolve all matters between them, entered into that certain Stipulation and Order Regarding Extension to Temporary Stay of Proceedings, and Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered Against Them, which was approved and ordered by the Court on August 5, 2016 (the "Stipulation and Order").

WHEREAS, under the Stipulation and Order, Defendants are required to make three separate settlement payments to Aetna, upon the completion of which Aetna will dismiss the Action with prejudice.

WHEREAS, Defendants timely made the First Settlement Payment (as defined in the Stipulation and Order) of \$5,000,000.00 on or around August 26, 2016.

WHEREAS, Defendants are required under the Stipulation and Order to make two additional settlement payments, a "Second Settlement Payment" of \$15,000,000.00 which was due on September 30, 2016, and a "Third Settlement Payment" of \$20,000,000.00, due on December 31, 2016.

WHEREAS, Defendants have represented to Aetna that they are unable to timely make the Second Settlement Payment, and have asked Aetna to forbear from exercising its remedies under the Stipulation and Order until, and not to exercise such remedies if, Defendants satisfy their obligation to make the Second Settlement payment by a date agreed between Aetna and Defendants.

WHEREAS, Aetna and the Defendants have entered into that certain Conditional Settlement Agreement, Including Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered Against Them (the "Agreement") dated December 23, 2016, pursuant to which Aetna has agreed to a revised payment schedule. Aetna was willing to agree to the Agreement and provide the Defendants with additional time to make the Second Settlement Payment and the amounts comprising the Third Settlement Payment only if Guarantor executes and delivers this Guarantee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and for other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties to this Guarantee hereto agree as follows:

# Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

1.01. <u>Definition of Certain Terms Used Herein</u>. As used herein, terms defined in the Stipulation and Order and in the Agreement shall have the meanings set forth therein and the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Appraised Value" means the "Total Net Value" (as determined by the Appraiser in the most recent Qualified Appraisal Update or, until the first Qualified Appraisal Update, the Initial Valuation) of (a) the Guarantor's Eligible Real Property that is included in the most recent Qualified Appraisal Update or, until the first Qualified Appraisal Update, the Initial Valuation.

"Appraiser" shall be a qualified, licensed real estate appraiser selected and employed by Guarantor at Guarantor's sole expense, but approved in writing by Aetna, such approval not to be unreasonably delayed, denied or withheld.

"Bankruptcy Code" means title 11, United States Code, as amended from time to time, and any successor statute thereto.

"Event of Default" has the meaning set forth in the Agreement.

"Fully Satisfied": with respect to the Obligations means that such Obligations have been paid in full.

"Guarantee Default" shall mean: (A) any failure by Guarantor to pay any of the Obligations when due and owing or timely deliver the Initial Valuation or a Qualified Appraisal when due; provided that Guarantor shall have 10 business days following written notice of such failure from Aetna to cure or (B) if any of the following occurs, provided that Guarantor shall have 45 days following written notice by Aetna of any such occurrence to cure: (1) failure of Guarantor to maintain a Loan-to-Value Ratio greater than .70 on Guarantor's Eligible Real Property at any time, or (2) if Guarantor's Net Worth drops to less than 125% of the balance owing to Aetna on any date.

"Guarantor" shall mean, initially, the Initial Guarantor. Following the execution and delivery by a Subsidiary of a Joinder pursuant to Section 8.14 hereof, the term "Guarantor" shall be deemed to refer to Initial Guarantor and each such Subsidiary, collectively and in the aggregate.

"Guarantor's Eligible Real Property" shall mean all real property owned by Guarantor the transfer of which does not require governmental approval and with respect to which Guarantor's operations do not require any governmental license to continue (other than standard commercial business licenses); however, the fact the operations of a lessee who leases part of a property from Guarantor may require such a license shall not prevent the premises owned by Guarantor and leased to a third party that operates at such premises from being included in Guarantor's Eligible Real Property.

"Guarantor's Net Worth" means the sum of (i) the most recent Appraised Values of all Guarantor Eligible Real Property actually owned by Guarantor, plus (ii) all cash and cash equivalents of Guarantor ("Cash"), minus (iii) all debts owed by Guarantor, excluding the Obligations under this Guarantee ("Indebtedness"). The value of the Guarantor Eligible Property shall be the Appraised Value, the Cash shall be the aggregate cash held by Guarantor on any given date, and the Indebtedness shall be the aggregate amount of the Indebtedness outstanding on any given date, whether or not then due.

"Initial Valuation" means a broker's opinion of value prepared by Appraiser of Guarantor's Eligible Real Property to be delivered to Aetna not later than March 31, 2017 by Guarantor.

"Joinder" means the Joinder Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference.

"Loan-to-Value Ratio" means, as of every date, with respect to all Secured Loans collectively with respect to the Guarantor's Eligible Real Property, a ratio where the numerator is the aggregate balance of all Secured Loan outstanding on that date, and the denominator is the Appraised Value of Guarantor's Eligible Real Property owned by Guarantor plus all Cash on that same date. For clarity, to the extent that there is more than one Guarantor, such calculation shall be made on an aggregate basis and not with respect to any individual Guarantor.

"Obligations" means all of Defendants' obligations under the Agreement to pay the Third Settlement Payment Obligations, including all interest thereon, and all interest due on the Second Settlement Payment accruing at 6% per annum pursuant to the Acknowledgement communicated

by Richard Doren in correspondence dated January 5, 2017, less any amounts paid to Aetna for which Guarantor or any Defendant is entitled to a credit pursuant to Section 6(iii) of the Agreement.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, unincorporated association, any other entity, any governmental authority and any fiduciary acting in such capacity on behalf of any of the foregoing.

"Qualified Appraisal Update" means the appraisal to be delivered by Guarantor to Aetna not later than January 15<sup>th</sup> of each year from and including January 15, 2018, which is performed by an Appraiser, which either appraises or updates the appraisal of each Guarantor Eligible Real Property as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the immediately prior calendar year.

"Secured Loan" means any debt of any type, including any past due property taxes and any debt owing to any holder of a claim that is secured by a lien, mortgage or deed of trust on any of Guarantor's Eligible Real Property.

"Subsidiary" is an entity that is at all times 100% owned either by Initial Guarantor or by a Subsidiary of Initial Guarantor that has executed and delivered to Aetna a Joinder. If a Subsidiary ceases to be 100% owned by Initial Guarantor or by a Subsidiary of Initial Guarantor, the assets and liabilities of that entity will no longer be included in the calculation of the Loan-to-Value Ratio or the Guarantor's Net Worth.

Rules of Interpretation. Any of the terms defined in this Section 1 may, 1.02. unless the context otherwise requires, be used in the singular or the plural depending on the reference. All references to statutes and related regulations shall include (unless otherwise specifically provided herein) any amendments of same and any successor statutes and regulations.

#### Section 2. GUARANTEE.

- Guarantee. (a) Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably, guarantees to Aetna, for the benefit of Aetna and its successors, endorsees, transferees and assigns, the prompt and complete payment by the Defendants when due (whether at the stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Obligations, in each case whether due or not due, direct or indirect, joint and/or several, absolute or contingent, voluntary or involuntary, liquidated or unliquidated, determined or undetermined, now or hereafter existing, renewed or restructured, whether or not from time to time decreased or extinguished and later increased, created or incurred, whether or not arising after the commencement of a proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code (including post-petition interest) and whether or not allowed or allowable as a claim in any such proceeding, and whether or not recovery of any such Obligation or liability may be barred by a statute of limitations or such Obligation or liability may otherwise be unenforceable. For clarity, nothing in this Guarantee shall be deemed to prevent Guarantor from making a prepayment with respect to any of the Obligations.
- (b) The guarantee contained in this Section 2 shall remain in full force and effect until all the Obligations shall have been Fully Satisfied. It shall not be necessary for Aetna (and Guarantor hereby waives any rights which Guarantor may have to require Aetna), in order to enforce the Obligations of Guarantor hereunder, first to (i) institute suit or exhaust its remedies against Defendants or others liable on the Obligations or any other person, (ii) enforce Aetna's rights to setoff or against any collateral which shall ever have been given as security, (iii)

enforce Aetna' rights against any other guarantors of the guaranteed Obligations, or (iv) resort to any other means of obtaining payment of the Obligations. Aetna shall not be required to mitigate damages or take any other action to reduce, collect or enforce the Obligations.

#### 2.02. Intentionally Omitted.

Amendments, etc. with respect to the Obligations. 2.03. Guarantor shall remain obligated hereunder notwithstanding that, without any reservation of rights against Guarantor and without notice to or further assent by Guarantor, any demand for payment of any of the Obligations made by Aetna may be rescinded by Aetna and any of the Obligations continued. Aetna may modify or extend the Obligation of any Defendant, and/or compromise, amend, modify or refrain or forbear from enforcing its rights, including, without limitation any right of offset or any lien hereafter obtained, against any Defendant, without notice to or consent of the Guarantor, and such modification, extension, compromise, forbearance or other action by Aetna shall not release the Guarantor, or in any way impair Aetna's rights against the Guarantor; provided, however, that to the extent that such modification, extension, compromise, forbearance or other action by Aetna increases the amount of, or accelerates the timing of the payment of (or otherwise imposes any additional obligations, agreements or covenants on any of the Defendants, the breach or non-compliance of which could increase the amount of, or accelerate the timing of the payment of) any of the Obligations, Guarantor's commitment under this Guarantee will not be accelerated or increased. In such case, Guarantor shall remain liable for the Obligations pursuant to this Guarantee as though the increase in the amount of, or acceleration of the timing of the payment had not occurred.

2.04. Guarantee Absolute and Unconditional. Guarantor waives any and all notice of the creation, renewal, extension or accrual of any of the Obligations and notice of or proof of reliance by Aetna upon the guarantee contained in this Section 2 or acceptance of the guarantee contained in this Section 2; Aetna's agreement to enter into the Agreement with respect to the Obligations shall conclusively be deemed to have been entered into in reliance upon this Guarantee and but for this Guarantee Aetna would not have agreed to the Agreement; and all dealings between Defendants and Guarantor, on the one hand, and Aetna, on the other hand, likewise shall be conclusively presumed to have been had or consummated in reliance upon this Guarantee. Guarantor waives diligence, presentment, protest, demand for payment and notice of default or nonpayment to or upon the Defendants or any of the guarantors with respect to the Obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon any default or nonpayment by Defendants with respect to the Obligations, Aetna will provide Guarantor with written notice of such default or nonpayment, and Guarantor shall have ten (10) business days from the date of its receipt of such notice to pay the amounts due thereon. Guarantor understands and agrees that this Guarantee shall be construed as a continuing, absolute and unconditional guarantee of payment (and not of collection) without regard to (a) the validity or enforceability of the Obligations or any security therefor or guarantee or right of offset with respect thereto at any time or from time to time held by Aetna; (b) any defense, set-off or counterclaim (other than a defense of payment, whether by or on behalf of any of the Defendants or by Guarantor hereunder or otherwise) which may at any time be available to or be asserted by Defendants or any other Person against Aetna; or (c) any other circumstance whatsoever (with or without notice to or knowledge of Defendants or Guarantor) which constitutes, or might be construed to constitute, an equitable or legal discharge of Defendants for the Obligations, or of Guarantor under the guarantee contained in this Section 2, in bankruptcy or in any other instance. When making any demand hereunder or otherwise pursuing its rights and remedies hereunder against Guarantor, Aetna may, but shall be under no obligation to, make a similar demand on or otherwise pursue such rights and remedies as it may

have against Defendants, or any other Person or against any security or guarantee for the Obligations or any right of offset with respect thereto, and any failure by Aetna to make any such demand, to pursue such other rights or remedies or to collect any payments from Defendants, or any other Person or to realize upon any such security or guarantee or to exercise any such right of offset, or any release of Defendants, or any other Person or any such security, guarantee or right of offset, shall not relieve Guarantor of any obligation or liability hereunder, and shall not impair or affect the rights and remedies, whether express, implied or available as a matter of law, of Aetna against Guarantor. For the purposes hereof, "demand" shall include the commencement and continuance of any legal proceedings.

2.05. Reinstatement. The guarantee contained in this Section 2 shall continue to be effective, or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment, or any part thereof, of any of the Obligations is rescinded or must otherwise be restored or returned by Aetna upon the insolvency, bankruptcy, dissolution, liquidation or reorganization of any Defendant or Guarantor, or upon or as a result of the appointment of a receiver, intervenor or conservator of, or trustee or similar officer for, any Defendant or Guarantor or any substantial part of its property, or otherwise, all as though such payments had not been made.

# 2.06. <u>Intentionally omitted</u>.

Election of Remedies. If Aetna may, under applicable law, proceed to 2.07. exercise rights giving it a lien upon any collateral, whether owned by Guarantor or by any other Person, either by judicial foreclosure or by nonjudicial sale or enforcement, or to exercise setoff rights as against any obligations Aetna may otherwise owe to Guarantor or any Defendant, Aetna may, at its sole option, determine which of its remedies or rights it may pursue without affecting any of its rights and remedies under this Section 2. If, in the exercise of any of its rights and remedies, Aetna shall forfeit any of its rights or remedies, including its right to enter a deficiency judgment against Guarantor or any other Person, whether because of any applicable laws pertaining to "election of remedies" or the like, Guarantor hereby consents to such action by Aetna and waives, to the extent permitted by applicable law, any claim based upon such action, so long as such action by Aetna shall not result in a full or partial loss of any rights of subrogation that Guarantor might otherwise have had but for such action by Aetna. In the event Aetna shall bid at any foreclosure or trustee's sale or at any private sale, Aetna may bid all or less than the amount of the Obligations and the amount of such bid need not be paid by Aetna but shall be credited against the Obligations. The amount of the successful bid at any such public sale, whether Aetna or any other party is the successful bidder, shall be conclusively deemed to be the fair market value of the collateral and the difference between such bid amount and the remaining balance of the Obligations shall be conclusively deemed to be the amount of the Obligations guaranteed under this Section 2, notwithstanding that any present or future law or court decision or ruling may have the effect of reducing the amount of any deficiency claim to which Aetna might otherwise be entitled but for such bidding at any such sale.

# Section 3. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

- Section 4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES. To induce Aetna to forbear from immediately exercising its remedies under the Agreement, Guarantor hereby represents and warrants to Aetna as follows.
- 4.01. <u>Due Authority</u>. Guarantor has the right and requisite authority to guaranty the Obligations.

- 4.02. <u>No Consent or Approval</u>. No consent, approval, authorization or other order or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or any other person or entity is required for the guaranty by Guarantor of the Obligations.
- 4.03. <u>Binding Obligation</u>. This Guarantee has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Guarantor and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Guarantor enforceable against Guarantor in accordance with its terms.
- 4.04 <u>Value Received</u>. Based on Guarantor's business relationship with the Defendants, Guarantor receives a benefit as the result of the Agreement and, therefore, is receiving reasonably equivalent value for its commitment to provide this Guarantee.
- 4.05 <u>Financial Condition</u>. Guarantor is solvent, has reasonable capital for the business in which it is engaged and is able to pay its debts as they become due both before and after providing this Guarantee. As of the date of execution of this Guarantee, Guarantor owns fee simple legal title to each of the assets described in Schedule 4.05.
- 4.06. <u>Knowledge of Defendants' Financial Condition</u>. Guarantor has such information as it believes it needs about each Defendant to make an informed decision to provide this Guarantee and is not relying on any financial information or representations by Aetna about the status of any Defendant.
- Section 5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES. To induce Guarantor to enter into this Guarantee, Aetna hereby represents and warrants to Guarantor as follows.
- 5.01. <u>Due Authority</u>. Aetna has the right and requisite authority to enter into this Guarantee and the Agreement.
- 5.02. <u>No Consent or Approval</u>. No consent, approval, authorization or other order or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or any other person or entity is required for the entry by Aetna into this Guarantee or the Agreement.
- 5.03. <u>Binding Obligation</u>. This Guarantee has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Aetna and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Aetna enforceable against Aetna in accordance with its terms.
- 5.04. <u>Knowledge</u>. Aetna has such information as it believes it needs about each Defendant and Guarantor to make an informed decision to provide enter into this Guarantee and the Agreement and is not relying on any financial information or representations by Guarantor or any Defendant other than as specifically provided for herein.

# Section 6. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES.

6.01. Upon the occurrence of a Guarantee Default, Aetna may exercise all rights and remedies available under this Guarantee. Guarantor agrees to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law that following the occurrence of a Guarantee Default it will not at any time plead, claim or take the benefit of any appraisal, valuation, stay, extension, moratorium or redemption law now or hereafter in force in order to prevent or delay the enforcement of this Guarantee, and Guarantor waives the benefit of all such laws to the extent it lawfully may do so; provided, however, that Guarantor reserves the right to assert that no Guarantee Default has

occurred based on the Appraised Values. Guarantor agrees that it will not interfere with any right, power and remedy of Aetna provided for in this Guarantee or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise, or the exercise or beginning of the exercise by Aetna of any one or more of such rights, powers or remedies. No failure or delay on the part of Aetna to exercise any such right, power or remedy and no notice or demand which may be given to or made upon Guarantor by Aetna with respect to any such remedies shall operate as a waiver thereof, or limit or impair Aetna's right to take any action or to exercise any power or remedy hereunder, without notice or demand, or prejudice its rights as against Guarantor in any respect.

- 6.02 Aetna agrees and acknowledges that upon the occurrence of a Guarantee Default, Guarantor's liability to Aetna will be controlled by the terms of this Guarantee. Guarantor shall be liable under this Guarantee for any unpaid portion of the Obligations and interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum, whether or not a Judgment is entered based on the Event of Default and the terms of the Settlement Agreement and regardless of the disposition of any subsequent appeal of the Judgment by Defendants, but Guarantor is not stipulating to entry of a judgment against Guarantor pursuant to the Agreement.
  - Section 7. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.
  - Section 8. MISCELLANEOUS.
- 8.01. Notices. All notices, requests and demands to or upon Aetna or Guarantor hereunder shall be to the addresses thereof set forth on the signature pages hereto or at such other address as may be provided to the parties hereto in writing from time to time. In the event that Aetna shall deliver any notice or correspondence to any Defendant pursuant to the Stipulation and Order or the Agreement, Aetna shall, contemporaneously therewith, deliver a copy of such notice or correspondence to Guarantor; provided, however, that failure to provide such notice or any delay in providing such notice shall not release Guarantor, but shall only extend Guarantor's cure periods under the Agreement or this Guarantee which will only start to run when such written notice is provided to Guarantor.
- GOVERNING LAW; CONSENT TO JURISDICTION; SERVICE OF THIS GUARANTEE SHALL BE A CONTRACT MADE UNDER AND PROCESS. GOVERNED BY THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN SUCH STATE, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES (OTHER THAN SECTION 5-1401 OF THE CALIFORNIA GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW). ANY LITIGATION BASED HEREON, OR ARISING OUT OF, UNDER, OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS GUARANTEE SHALL BE BROUGHT AND MAINTAINED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OR IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANY SUCH LITIGATION AS SET FORTH ABOVE. EACH PARTY HERETO FURTHER IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS BY REGISTERED MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, OR BY PERSONAL SERVICE WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY OBJECTION WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY SUCH

LITIGATION BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT REFERRED TO ABOVE AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH LITIGATION HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM.

- 8.03. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL, ETC. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING TO ENFORCE OR DEFEND ANY RIGHTS UNDER THIS GUARANTEE, OR WHICH MAY IN THE FUTURE BE DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HEREWITH, AND AGREES THAT ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE TRIED BEFORE A COURT AND NOT BEFORE A JURY.
- 8.04. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Guarantee may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract.
- 8.05. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of each section of this Guarantee are for convenience only and shall not define or limit the provisions thereof.
- 8.06. <u>No Strict Construction</u>. The parties hereto have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Guarantee. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Guarantee shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties hereto and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any provisions of this Guarantee.
- 8.07. <u>Severability</u>. The illegality or unenforceability of any provision of this Guarantee or any instrument or agreement required hereunder shall not in any way affect or impair the legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Guarantee or any instrument or agreement required hereunder.
- 8.08. <u>Survival of Agreement</u>. All representations, warranties and agreements made by or on behalf of Guarantor in this Guarantee shall survive the execution and delivery hereof or thereof and the making and repayment of the Obligations. In addition, notwithstanding anything herein or under applicable law to the contrary, the provisions of this Guarantee and the Agreement relating to indemnification or payment of costs and expenses, shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and any termination of this Guarantee.

# 8.09. Fees and Expenses; Indemnification.

- (a) Guarantor agrees to pay upon demand the amount of any and all reasonable expenses, including the reasonable fees, disbursements and other charges of counsel and of any experts or agents, which Aetna may incur in connection with (x) collecting against Guarantor under the guarantee contained in Section 2 or otherwise enforcing or preserving any rights under this Guarantee and the Agreement, or (y) the exercise, enforcement or protection of any of the rights of Aetna hereunder; provided that in each case, such amounts were appropriately incurred and Aetna is the prevailing party with respect to any dispute in connection therewith.
- (b) The agreements in this <u>Section 8.09</u> shall survive repayment of the Obligations and the termination of this Guarantee.

8.10. <u>Binding Effect; Several Agreement; Assignment.</u> This Guarantee is binding upon Guarantor and Aetna and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the Guarantor, Aetna and their respective successors and permitted assigns, except that Guarantor shall not have any right to assign or transfer its rights or obligations hereunder or any interest herein without the prior written consent of Aetna (and any such assignment or transfer shall be void). Aetna may assign, indorse or transfer any instrument evidencing all or any part of the Obligations, in accordance with applicable law, and the holder of such instrument shall be entitled to the benefits of this Guarantee.

# 8.11. Waivers; Amendment.

- (a) No failure or delay of Aetna in exercising any power or right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such a right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of Aetna hereunder are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provisions of this Guarantee or consent to any departure by Guarantor therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by paragraph (b) below, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. No notice to or demand on Guarantor in any case shall entitle Guarantor to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances.
- (b) Neither this Guarantee nor any provision hereof may be waived, amended or modified except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by Aetna and Guarantor; provided that any provision of this Guarantee imposing obligations on Guarantor may be waived by Aetna in a written instrument executed by Aetna.
- 8.12. <u>Integration</u>. This Guarantee, the Stipulation and Order and the Agreement constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Guarantor acknowledges that Aetna has made no representations or warranties of any kind to induce Guarantor to enter into this Guarantee other than as may be specifically set forth in this Guarantee, the Stipulation and Order or the Agreement. Aetna acknowledges that Guarantor has made no representations or warranties of any kind to induce Aetna to enter into this Guarantee, the Stipulation and Order or the Agreement other than as may be specifically set forth in this Guarantee.

# 8.13. Acknowledgments. Guarantor hereby acknowledges that:

- (a) it has been advised by counsel in the negotiation, execution and delivery of this Guarantee;
- (b) Aetna has no fiduciary relationship with or duty to it arising out of or in connection with this Guarantee or the Agreement, and the relationship between Guarantor, on the one hand, and Aetna, on the other hand, in connection herewith or therewith is solely that of debtor and creditor; and
- (c) no joint venture is created hereby or by the Agreement or otherwise exists by virtue of the transactions contemplated hereby among Guarantor and Aetna.

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8.14. <u>Additional Guarantors</u>. Aetna and Guarantor acknowledge and agree that from time to time, at the election of Guarantor, one or more Subsidiaries of Guarantor may become an additional guarantor hereunder by the execution and delivery by such Subsidiary of a Joinder.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Guarantee Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

GUARANTOR:	
VERITY HOLDINGS, LLC  Docusigned by:  Au Am i Sovala.	
BV: RASHAETASTORMER	
By:	
Address for Notices:	
203 Redwood Shores Parkway, Suite 80 Redwood City, CA 94065	0
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	
By: Name: Title:	
Address for Notices:	

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Guarantee Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

VERITY HOLDINGS, LLC By:\_\_\_ Name: Title: Address for Notices:

**GUARANTOR:** 

**AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY** 

Name:

Title:

Address for Notices: Aetra Legal Department

## JOINDER AGREEMENT

JOINDER AGREEMENT, dated as of [ ], made by [insert name of subsidiary joining as guarantor] ("Additional Guarantor"), in favor of Aetna Life Insurance Company ("Aetna"). All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Conditional Settlement Agreement, Including Defendants' Agreement to Pay Settlement Amount or Have Judgment Entered Against Them (the "Agreement") dated as of January 1, 2017 and the Guarantee Agreement (as defined below), as applicable.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Defendants and Aetna entered into the Agreement;

WHEREAS, in connection with the Agreement, Verity Holdings, LLC ("Verity") entered into the Guarantee Agreement, dated as of January 17, 2017 (as amended, amended and restated, supplemented, replaced or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Guarantee Agreement") in favor of Aetna, guaranteeing the Obligations of the Defendants under the Agreement;

WHEREAS, Additional Guarantor has agreed to become a party to the Guarantee Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Additional Guarantor has agreed to execute and deliver this Joinder Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED:

- 1. <u>Guarantee Agreement</u>. By executing and delivering this Joinder Agreement, the undersigned, hereby becomes a party to the Guarantee Agreement as a Guarantor thereunder with the same force and effect as if originally named as a Guarantor therein and expressly assumes all obligations and liabilities of a Guarantor thereunder, jointly and severally with Verity and each other Person that is or may become a Guarantor under the Guarantee Agreement. The undersigned hereby agrees to be jointly and severally bound as a Guarantor for the purposes of the Guarantee Agreement. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that all notices, consents, and other actions under the Guarantee Agreement may be taken by Verity on behalf of the undersigned and hereby grants to Verity an irrevocable power of attorney to take any and all actions required, authorized or allowed of each undersigned Guarantor.
- 2. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. THIS JOINDER AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Joinder Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

[INSERT NAME OF ADDITIONAL GUARANTOR]

By:			 	
	Name:		 	
	Title:			

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREEI	)
as of the date first above written:	

AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By:	 	 _
Name:		
Title:		

# **EXHIBIT C**

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January 2, 2019

# VIA E-MAIL

Bay Area Surgical Management, LLC: Julia Hashemieh, julia@basurgical.com Bobby Sarnevesht, bobby@basurgical.com Javad Zolfaghari, javad@basurgical.com SOAR Surgery Center, LLC: Managing Partner, gabrodymd@mac.com

Re: <u>Demand Pursuant to Conditional Settlement Dated December 23, 2016</u>

# Dear Defendants:

The installment of \$6,666,667 that was due on or before December 31, 2018, pursuant to Paragraph 3(iii) of the *Conditional Settlement Agreement* dated December 23, 2016, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto (the "Settlement"), was not timely paid and, therefore, each of the "Defendants," as defined in the Settlement, has defaulted and an "Event of Default" has occurred under Paragraph 6 of the Settlement. As a result all "Unpaid Amounts," as defined in Paragraph 6(i) of the Settlement, have been accelerated and are immediately due and payable.

Absent payment in full of all sums due under the Settlement on or before January 14, 2019, Aetna will notify the Court and request that the Court lift the stay and enter judgment against the Defendants in the form attached the Settlement as Exhibit B. As you know, Paragraph 6(ii) of the Settlement prohibits each Defendant from opposing entry of the judgment and each Defendant has waived the right to appeal from the judgment when it is entered.

The Unpaid Amounts total \$14,133,331.98 of principal and interest due as of January 1, 2019, plus interest at the rate of \$2,191.78 per day from January 1, 2019 until payment is received.

By:

Richard Doren, counsel for Aetna Life Insurance Company

cc (via email): Michael Amir, mamir@dollamir.com

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# PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is: 10100 Santa Monica Boulevard, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067

A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled (*specify*): **STIPULATION TO MODIFY THE AUTOMATIC STAY FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF SENDING NOTICE AND DEADLINE TO OBJECT** will be served or was served (a) on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d) and (b) in the manner stated below:

and <b>(b)</b> in the manner s	``,	in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d);	
1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF): Pursuant to controlling General Orders and LBR, the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On (date) February 14, 2019, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below:			
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VIA HAND DELIVERY Honorable Ernest M. Ro U.S. Bankruptcy Court 255 E. Temple Street, S Los Angeles, CA 9001	Suite 1560 / Courtroom 1568 2	Service information continued on attached page	
I declare under penalty	of perjury under the laws of the United States	that the foregoing is true and correct.	
February 14, 2019	Sophia L. Lee	/s/ Sophia L. Lee	
Date	Printed Name	Signature	

# MAILING INFORMATION FOR CASE NO. 2:18-bk-20151-ER

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