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VIA E-FILING

The Honorable Kevin W. Eide
Judge of the District Court
Carver County Justice Center
604 East 4th Street
Chaska, MN 55318

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Re: *In re the Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson*
Court File No. 10-PR-16-46

Dear Judge Eide:

This firm represents Sharon Nelson and we write in response to the letter from Joseph Cassioppi of Fredrikson & Byron dated November 24, 2020 to Your Honor regarding Sharon Nelson's communication with the Internal Revenue Service.

[REDACTED]

For clarity, the IRS agent advised Ms. Nelson that he was not able to discuss the substance of the case and Ms. Nelson stated that she was not interested in the substantive details, just the timing and process. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] While she inquired as to the process and timing of settlement negotiations and urged such discussions, she did not disclose any information related to the Estate or the Heirs' settlement position. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mr. Cassioppi offers hearsay allegations and seeks to create a false record of the call Ms. Nelson made to a public employee of the IRS. However, neither Mr. Cassioppi, his law firm, nor Comerica, have entered good-faith efforts to negotiate [REDACTED]

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██████████ Contrary to Mr. Cassioppi's assertions, the Estate and their counsel have a practice of misleading the Heirs and failing to fully inform and advise them on business matters including the tax proceedings and negotiations (or lack thereof), and are now apparently threatening to "significantly limit" the information to be shared with the Heirs on this subject.

The conflicts of interest related to the defense of the ██████████ concerning Comerica and Frederickson law firm is clear -- only they financially benefit from the exorbitant fees they incur in connection with ██████████. There have been continued delays and senseless excuses, with no sense of urgency, in the process of ██████████

██████████ If this pattern continues, the Court should appoint an independent third-party Special Administrator and ██████████

Ms. Nelson is fully within her rights to contact a public official at the IRS to ascertain general information regarding the agency's processes and procedures, and Mr. Cassioppi's distortion of the substance of her call is merely an attempt to further restrict the information with the Heirs, cut them out of the process, further delay settlement discussions, and continue expensive litigation to the detriment of the Estate and the Heirs.

Based on the foregoing, there is not legitimate basis for Comerica and Frederickson to waste the Court's time and incur further legal fees with a teleconference to discuss its false report.

Respectfully submitted,

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