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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION-ATLANTIC COUNTY
DOCKET NO. ATL-L-1551-04

IN RE: TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE LITIGATION

CIVIL ACTION

ORDER REGARDING ELECTRONIC SERVICE

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court for adoption of procedures for electronic service in this litigation, and good cause having been shown,

IT IS on this $\frac{1}{2}$ day of $\frac{1}{2}$, 2004, ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Plaintiffs counsel and defense counsel may utilize Verilaw Technologies, Inc., to provide service of pleadings and other documents and information in this litigation electronically, subject to the terms of this Order. The information and documents accessible through Verilaw are for the private use of counsel only and employees of their respective law firms. Public access to the Verilaw web site is strictly prohibited. Non-parties may access public court documents by contacting the Superior Court of New Jersey, Atlantic County.
 - 2. On the same day that any document (all references to "documents" include exhibits, if any) is filed, the filing party shall send a copy of that document to Verilaw Technologies, Inc. located at 400 East Lancaster Avenue, Suite 300, Wayne, PA 19087 (http://www.verilaw.com) by: (1) uploading the document electronically to the electronic service system that Verilaw shall create for the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE litigation (the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE website), which will be available at the following address: vserve_vlaw_verilaw.com; (2) fax transmission; (3) personal

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delivery; or (4) overnight mail. Documents sent to Verilaw via personal delivery or overnight mail shall be addressed to: TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE Service List.

- 3. Verilaw shall upload all documents in Adobe PDF electronic format onto the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE website, a secure Internet web site that Verilaw shall maintain and that the parties are privately funding. Timing for posting to the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE web site shall be as follows:
 - a. Electronic documents will be posted by Verilaw within one (1) business hour of receipt.
 - b. Faxed documents will be posted by Verilaw within six (6) business hours of receipt.
 - c. Personally served or overnight delivered hard copy documents will be posted by Verilaw within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt.

Verilaw will identify all documents on its web site with the following information, at a minimum: (a) the name of the filing law firm; (b) the precise title of the document; (c) the case specific docket number(s) to which the pleading applies, and (d) the date of service. Verilaw shall maintain an index of all documents served in this litigation, which will be searchable and sortable to enable useful access to the documents.

- 4. Word processing documents transferred to Verilaw via the Internet will not contain visual representations of the filing attorneys' signatures. When submitting word processing documents via the Internet to Verilaw, attorneys should type, in the place where their signature would normally appear, the following: "Original Signature on File with Court."
- 5. Verilaw personnel will perform all administrative functions to the system. Each firm shall designate one person through whom notification of all changes to the service list and registered user list for that firm shall be made to Verilaw. Verilaw shall not add, delete or change service list or registered user list entries for a firm unless notified by that firm's

"designated person." The law firm of Cooper Levenson shall notify Verilaw of each time a law firm makes its first appearance after the effective date of this Order and the designated person from that firm who is authorized to notify Verilaw of changes to the service list and registered user list for that firm. Verilaw shall not add new law firms to the registered user or service list until it has received such notification from the law firm of Cooper Levenson. The service list will identify counsel, along with the parties they represent, who are to receive notification of new documents posted on the Verilaw TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE web site.

- 6. The registered user list will identify all persons who are authorized to access the web site. Only registered users are permitted and able to access the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE website. Registered users will be limited to authorized court personnel, counsel of record for any party named in the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE litigation pending before the Honorable William C. Todd, III, P.J.Cv. in Atlantic County, and their employees. Verilaw will provide each registered user with a user name and password to access the TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE Service web site. Disclosure of user name and password to third parties by the registered user to whom they are assigned is strictly prohibited. Authorized court personnel will have access to all cases on the Verilaw website. For documents that are served which are applicable to all cases, Verilaw will create a folder entitled "All Cases", and all counsel of record and their employees who are registered users will be granted access to this folder.
- 7. Within one hour of posting any document, Verilaw shall send an e-mail to all appropriate persons on the service list notifying them that the document has been posted.

 Persons who have selected the alternative daily digest notification option will, in lieu of receiving e-mail notification within one hour, receive one e-mail per day that aggregates all the

e-mails sent within the past 24 hours. The e-mail or digest shall contain hypertext link(s) to the document location(s) on the system.

- 8. Counsel for each party is responsible for providing Verilaw with an accurate email address. The TROPICANA PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE web site will be designed so that registered users will be capable of changing, deleting, or adding e-mail addresses. Each attorney of record is to provide Verilaw's project manager, Chris Huff at chris.huff@verilaw.com, contact information for each expected user including attorney of record, secretary, paralegal and/or other assistant.
- 9. Complaints must be served in accordance with New Jersey Court Rule 4:4-4 and New Jersey Court Rule 4:4-5. Complaints shall nevertheless be posted on Verilaw, although such posting shall not constitute service under New Jersey Court Rule 4:4-4 and New Jersey Court Rule 4:4-5. Any other document served pursuant to this Order shall be deemed to be served by mail under New Jersey Court Rule 1:5-2. The posting of motion papers by Verilaw shall, within the meaning of New Jersey Court Rule 1:6-3, constitute receipt at the office of adverse counsel or at the address of a pro se party. The posting of papers by Verilaw shall be presumed to occur within the time frame set forth in paragraph 3. Certificates of service shall state the date that a document was submitted to Verilaw, the means of transmission (e.g., electronic submission, overnight mail, etc.), and the time in which Verilaw is required to post it under paragraph 3 above.
- 10. Nothing in this Order shall relieve any party from the filing obligations imposed by the New Jersey Rules of Court. All pleadings must be filed in the Clerk's Office in the usual course.

- Posting on Verilaw will establish the filing date of a document provided that the original document must be provided to the court within 5 days of its posting.
- 12. Any party not using Verilaw is to provide a copy of each document which is filed with the court to Verilaw's project manager, Chris Huff, at 400 East Lancaster Avenue, Suite 300, Wayne, PA 19087.

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