HON. BETH ANDRUS 1 Noted for: February 11, 2013 2 Without Oral Argument 3 4 5 6 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON 7 FOR KING COUNTY 8 NO. 00-2-17565-5 SEA SANDY JUDD, TARA HERIVEL, and 9 **CLASS ACTION** COLUMBIA LEGAL SERVICES, for themselves, and on behalf of all similarly 10 DECLARATION OF RICHARD E. situated persons, SPOONEMORE IN SUPPORT OF 1 1 INTERLATA AND INTRALATA Plaintiffs, CLASSES UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR: 12 v. (1) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF 13 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT; AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND 14 (2) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF PLAN TELEGRAPH COMPANY and OF ALLOCATION; 15 T-NETIX, INC., (3) DIRECTIVE TO SEND NOTICE; AND 16 Defendants. (4) ESTABLISHMENT OF FINAL APPROVAL HEARING 17 18 Richard E. Spoonemore declares under penalty of perjury as follows: 19 1. I am one of the attorneys representing plaintiffs and the classes in 20 this matter. The facts stated in this declaration are based on my personal knowledge. 21 2. The Settlement Agreement between the AT&T Call Classes and 22 AT&T was only arrived at after lengthy and protracted negotiations. Class Counsel 23 and AT&T participated in mediation in Boston on August 29, 2012 with Professor Eric 24 Those discussions were D. Green, a mediator with a national reputation. 25 unproductive, with the parties far apart. At the time of that mediation, there were a 26 number of motions pending by both parties and it became clear that the respective

25

26

sides had sharply different perspectives about the merits of the motions. After those motions were resolved, Class Counsel broached the subject of returning to mediation with AT&T's counsel. On January 4, 2013, after a hearing on motions in limine, AT&T's counsel asked to speak with Class Counsel. In a hallway meeting, AT&T's counsel suggested that AT&T was willing to talk, but wanted to do so directly without a mediator. Numbers were exchanged early the following week, but the discussions again stalled and the parties spoke about enlisting the assistance of a neutral. Professor Green had limited availability to become reengaged in the process - just two hours on the Tuesday before trial - but Judge Edward Infante (ret.), a mediator based in California with a nationwide reputation for resolving difficult disputes, had a lastminute cancellation. The parties flew to Los Angeles for a mediation on January 14, 2013. Although that mediation failed as well, some progress was made. Judge Infante re-engaged the parties on January 18, 2013 with no success. Finally, on January 21 – the day before trial - Judge Infante made a mediator's proposal at \$45,000,000. It was accepted by both parties late in the day on January 21. Trial was pushed back a day while the parties discussed the other terms of the agreement. A CR 2A agreement signed on January 22, 2013.

- 3. The settlement amount falls midway between the damage analysis prepared by the Classes' expert (\$57M) and AT&T's experts (\$33M). Given the size of the settlement amount, the number of class members and the time span, we expect that all class members submitting claims will receive the maximum amount of their entitlement even after the payment of attorney fees, expenses, and case contribution awards to Sandy Judd, Tara Herivel and Columbia Legal Services. (In fact, we anticipate that substantial funds will be available as "residual funds" for *cy pres* distribution.).
- 4. I have practiced in the class action field for nearly 20 years. I am "AV" rated by Martindale-Hubbell and was named a "Super Lawyer" by WASHINGTON

LAW AND POLITICS in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012. I was on the "WASHINGTON TOP 100" "Super Lawyer" list in 2011 with respect to total votes received. Over the just the past ten years, I have been designated as lead class counsel in class actions involving more than one million class members. My class action work has been noted by a number of courts across the country. See, e.g., McCluskey v. Trustees of Red Dot Corp., 268 F.R.D. 670, 678 (W.D. Wash. 2010) (noting my extensive experience in class actions, and stating that it was "confident" in my ability to fairly and adequately represent the class); Stanford v. Foamex, 263 F.R.D. 156, 171 (E.D. Penn. 2009) (Mr. Spoonemore as class counsel: "the court finds ... that plaintiff's attorneys are qualified, experienced, and able to pursue the legal interest of the entire proposed class Plaintiff's counsel have ample experience and have enjoyed considerable success in ERISA litigation [and] class action litigation ..."). I believe that the settlement is an exceptional result for the class, and strongly recommend that it be approved.

DATED: February 1, 2013, at Seattle, Washington.

/s/ Richard E. Spoonemore
Richard E. Spoonemore (WSBA #21833)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify, under penalty of perjury and in accordance with the laws of the
State of Washington, that on February 1, 2013, I caused a copy of the foregoing
document to be served on all counsel of record in the manner shown and at the
addresses listed below:

Bradford Axel	[x]	By Email
STOKES LAWRENCE, P.S.		bradford.axel@stokeslaw.com
1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3000		deborah.messer@stokeslaw.com
Seattle, WA 98101		
Attorneys for AT&T		

Charles H.R. Peters	[x]	By Email
David C. Scott		cpeters@schiffhardin.com
Brian L. Josias		dscott@schiffhardin.com
SCHIFF HARDIN LLP		bjosias@schiffhardin.com
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 6600		
Chicago, IL 60606		
Attorneys for AT&T		

Don Paul Badgley	[x]	By Email
Donald H. Mullins	[]	donbadgley@badgleymullins.com
Duncan C. Turner		donmullins@badgleymullins.com
BADGLEY-MULLINS LAW GROUP PLLC		duncanturner@badgleymullins.com
701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 4750		<u>climon@badgleymullins.com</u>
Seattle, WA 98104		

Stephanie A. Joyce	[x]	By Email
ARENT FOX LLP		joyce.stephanie@arentfox.com
1717 K Street, NW		
Washington, DC 20036		
Attorneys for T-Netix		

DATED: February 1, 2013, at Seattle, Washington.

/s/ Chris R. Youtz
Chris R. Youtz (WSBA #7786)

Attorneys for T-Netix