The Honorable Thomas S. Zilly 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 TIM and PENNY PATERSON, husband and wife and the marital community thereof,) No. 05-CV-01719-TSZ 10 Plaintiffs, **DECLARATION OF BRUCE** 11 JOHNSON IN OPPOSITION TO v. 12 PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO LITTLE, BROWN AND COMPANY, a **EXCLUDE**

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LEFER,

I, Bruce E. H. Johnson, declare and state as follows:

Defendants.

Massachusetts state corporation, TIME

LLC, a New York state limited liability company, HAROLD EVANS, and DAVID

WARNER BOOK GROUP, a Delaware state corporation, HAROLD EVANS ASSOCIATES

- 19 1. I am the attorney of record for the defendants. I have personal knowledge of the matters referred to in this declaration. If called as a witness, I am competent to testify to these matters.
 - 2. Defendants first requested detailed information regarding plaintiffs' expert witnesses on June 29, 2006. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true copy of plaintiffs'

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response to defendants' June 29, 2006 request for detailed information regarding plaintiffs' expert witnesses. Although plaintiffs had their expert designated at the time, defendants only received plaintiffs' disclosure of the details of Mr. Hollaar's proposed expert testimony on April 16th 2007. *Id*; see also Declaration of Professor Lee A. Hollaar, attached to Plaintiffs' Response to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment.

- On April 18th, 2007, within two days after receiving plaintiffs' disclosure, 3. defendants: 1) timely alerted the plaintiffs that Mr. Nutt would rebut and respond to Mr. Hollaar's testimony, 2) provided Mr. Nutt's curriculum vitae and the focus of his testimony and report, and 3) promised to furnish the report when it became available. See Defendants' Rule 26(a)(2) Disclosure at 1-2, attached as Exhibit B to Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude ("Pl. Mot.").
- Defendants provided plaintiffs with Mr. Nutt's report on June 6th 2007, the 4. earliest date at which defendants were able to make the report available. See Expert Witness Report of Gary J. Nutt, attached as Exhibit C to Pl. Mot.
- 5. Although plaintiffs knew of defendants' intent to rebut and respond to Mr. Hollaar with Mr. Nutt's expert testimony, plaintiffs apparently allowed the May 21, 2007 discovery deadline to lapse without attempting to schedule Mr. Nutt's deposition, or in any way seeking and requesting additional information from defendants.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED at Seattle, Washington this 25th day of June, 2007. Davis Wright Tremaine LLP Attorney for Defendants By <u>/s/ Bruce E. H. Johnson</u>
Bruce E. H. Johnson, WSBA # 7667

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 25, 2007, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

D. Michael Tomkins Dietrich Biemiller

> /s/ Nigel P. Avilez Nigel P. Avilez