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Novell, Inc., * NOVELL'S MOTION

Plaintiff, * FOR A CURATIVE INSTRUCTION

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V.

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Microsoft Corporation, * Case No. 2:04-cv-01045-JFM

Defendant. * Hon. J. Frederick Motz

Plaintiff Novell, Inc. ("Novell") respectfully moves this Court for the following

curative jury instruction:

During opening statements, counsel for Microsoft made reference to the fact that Novell did not file this lawsuit until 2004. The jury should draw no adverse inference against Novell based on the fact that it filed the present lawsuit in 2004 rather than at some earlier time. Under the law, Novell had the legal right to file its lawsuit when it did and was under no

legal obligation to bring this lawsuit at any earlier date.

As explained in the accompanying memorandum in support of this motion, this

instruction is necessary to cure the unfair prejudice resulting from Microsoft's improper

argument during its opening statement that the jury should infer, from the fact that Novell's suit

was not brought until 2004, that Novell's suit lacks merit.

Wherefore, Novell respectfully requests that the Court give the requested curative

instruction.

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