### No. 1-20-1197

## IN THE APPELLATE COURT OF ILLINOIS FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DAVE MCCORMICK, T'LANI ROBINSON, DENNIS MAGANA, SCOTT SWINDELL, DAVID TOROSYAN, and ROBBY BROWN, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

ADTALEM GLOBAL EDUCATION INC., formerly known as DEVRY EDUCATION GROUP, INC., a Delaware Corporation, DEVRY UNIVERSITY, INC., a Delaware corporation,

Defendants-Appellees,

and

JOSE DAVID VALDERRAMA,

Objector-Appellant,

and

RICHARDO PEART,

Objector-Appellant.

On Appeal From the Circuit Court of Cook County Case No. 2018-CH-04872

The Honorable Michael Tully Mullen

### JOINT MOTION TO STAY

Plaintiffs-Appellees David McCormick, T'Lani Robinson, Dennis Magana, Scott Swindell, David Torosyan, and Robby Brown (the "Plaintiffs-Appellees"); Defendants-Appellees Adtalem Global Education Inc. ("Adtalem") and DeVry University, Inc. ("DeVry");

Objector-Appellant Jose David Valderrama ("Valderrama"); and Objector-Appellant Richardo

Peart ("Peart") (collectively, the "Parties") hereby jointly move this Court to stay proceedings

until February 7, 2022, to permit the Parties to engage in settlement discussions. In support, the

Parties state as follows:

1. On October 8, 2020, Judge Michael Tully Mullen entered an Order Granting Final

Approval of Class Action Settlement Agreement (the "Order").

2. On November 2, 2020, and November 5, 2020, Valderrama and Peart each filed a

Notice of Appeal appealing, in part, the circuit court's Order.

3. On November 2, 2021, counsel for Adtalem and DeVry and counsel for

Valderrama attended a full-day mediation before the Honorable Judge Philips (Ret.) of Philips

ADR in Newport Beach, California, regarding related actions. As a result of the mediation, the

attendees reached an agreement in principle to settle these related actions, as well as

Valderrama's objection and appeal in the instant action. That settlement in principle is being

finalized.

4. Counsel for the remaining parties have conferred regarding a potential resolution

of Peart's objection and appeal, including the possibility of engaging in mediation to resolve this

matter. To permit time for that to occur, the Parties jointly request a stay of this Court's

consideration of the Peart and Valderrama appeals.

5. Accordingly, the Parties respectfully request that the Court enter an order staying

this action until February 7, 2022, to permit the Parties to focus their efforts on a potential

resolution of the matter, at which point they will submit a joint status report informing the Court

of their progress.

Dated: December 6, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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