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MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY

RIKKI HELD, et al. vs STATE OF MONTANA, et al. CDV 2020-307 MINUTE ENTRY FOR JUNE 12, 2023

This was the time set for Day One (1) of the Non-Jury Bench Trial, in the above-entitled cause. Present in the Court were Nate Bellinger, Philip Gregory, Roger Sullivan, Melissa Hornbein and Barbara Chillcott, Counsel on behalf of the Plaintiffs along with all Plaintiffs and Michael Russell, Thane Johnson, Emily Jones, Mark Stermitz, Lee McKenna and Selena Sauer, Counsel on behalf of the Defendants.

Prior to the start of the Bench Trial, Counsel handled housekeeping issues and the Court's Chambers, regarding some stipulations and Motions to Dismiss; which the Court will not reconsider. Counsel made opening statements.

Mae Naan Ellingson, Expert Witness, was duly sworn and testified. Rikki Held, Plaintiff, was duly sworn and testified. Exhibits P-111, P-112 and P-16, were offered and with no objections, were admitted. Dr. Steven Running, Expert Witness, was duly sworn and testified. Exhibits P-20 and P-22 were offered and with no objections were admitted. Exhibits P-79, P-193 and P-302 were offered and with no objections were admitted. Exhibit P-143 was offered, objected to and admitted. Grace Gibson-Snyder, Plaintiff, was duly sworn and testified. Exhibits P-95, P-96, P-97 and P-98 were offered and with no objections were admitted. Eva L. Plaintiff, was duly sworn and testified. Exhibits P-8, P-13, P-35, P-108, P-109 and P-110 were offered and with objections were admitted.

Court recessed at 5:04 pm and will resume, Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 9:00 am.

HON. KATHY SEELEY PRESIDING JUDGE

MIKE RAFFEL Court Reporter

cc. All Counsel of record for Plaintiffs and Defendants.