## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ROBERT SCHULZ (New York), et al, ) Plaintiffs, ) v. ) STATE OF NEW YORK, et al, ) Defendants. ) C/A No. 1:07-CV-0943 LEK/DRH

MOTION TO DISMISS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on December 21, 2007 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the Court, the Defendant State of South Carolina (State)<sup>1</sup> shall and hereby does move before this Court for the dismissal of the Amended Complaint herein pursuant to Rules 12(b)(1), (2), (3), and (6), FRCP, in that, for the following reasons, the Court lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action, the Court lacks jurisdiction of the person as to this Defendant, venue is improper and the Plaintiffs have failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted:

- 1. This Court lacks personal jurisdiction as to the Defendant State of South Carolina.
- 2. The venue is improper.
- 3. This action is barred by the Eleventh Amendment as to the State.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Defendant Mark Hammon(sic)[correct spelling is Hammond], Secretary of State, (Secretary) was named in the original complaint but dropped as a Defendant in the Amended Complaint. Therefore, he is no longer a party to this case; however, *arguendo*, in an abundance of precaution and to the extent necessary, this Motion to Dismiss includes the Secretary as to both the original and amended complaints. Reasons 1, 2, 4 and 5, listed in this Motion, apply to the Secretary including, but not limited to, lack of personal jurisdiction of the Secretary. An additional ground is that the Secretary has no responsibility under South Carolina law for the matters alleged.

- 4. The Plaintiffs have failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.
- 5. The Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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November 9, 2007

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the Motion to Dismiss upon Plaintiffs in accordance with

this Court's Order of October 30, 2007, by mailing a copy of each document to the Lead Plaintiff's

Representative at the address below via the United States Mail this November 9, 2007:

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Service on other Defendants is by electronic means.

/s/ J. Emory Smith, Jr. NY Bar Roll No. 106463 J. EMORY SMITH, JR. Assistant Deputy Attorney General