## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR ESCAMBIA COUNTY, **FLORIDA**

DEEPGULF, INC. and

TOKE OIL AND GAS, S.A.

Case No.: 2018 CA 000543 Plaintiffs,

Division: "E VS.

MARC M. MOSZKOWSKI

Defendant.

## NOTICE OF FILING DEFENDANT'S OBJECTION TO ORDER IMPOSING **MEDIATION FEE**

COMES NOW Defendant, pro se, and gives notice that on this date, he has filed the attached:

## DEFENDANT'S OBJECTION TO ORDER IMPOSING MEDIATION FEE AND NOTICE OF PROCEDURAL AND FINANCIAL PREJUDICE

in the above-captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025, a copy of this notice and attached document has been furnished to Braden K. Ball, Jr., attorney for the plaintiffs, through the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal.

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COMES NOW Defendant, pro se, and respectfully objects to the Court's April 17, 2025 order requiring "immediate" payment of a \$900 mediation fee, and submits this Notice to preserve the record and to request relief from the unreasonable and prejudicial financial burden thereby imposed.

- 1. Defendant has filed 32 documents within the past 14 days, none of which have received acknowledgment, response, or substantive engagement from either the Court or the Plaintiff, with the exception of one order.
- 2. The April 17, 2025 Order, which has still not appeared on the docket, mandates mediation to occur via Zoom on May 21, 2025, and

- requires each party to "immediately tender the deposit required by the mediator to secure the date."
- 3. Defendant does not object to the date or to the Zoom format of mediation. However, Defendant respectfully notes that both parties, including Plaintiff, have made clear in prior filings that mediation is likely to be futile and gratuitous, and will not result in settlement.
- **4.** The Court's directive to immediately pay \$900 imposes a punitive financial strain on the Defendant, who is already suffering severe economic hardship, and who has filed multiple good-faith motions and notices in pursuit of trial preparation and potential representation.
- 5. This order, issued without ruling on Defendant's pending motions or addressing the substantial record presented, undermines Defendant's capacity to either attend trial or secure legal counsel, and in effect functions as a coercive toll, akin to a form of process-based extortion, for the privilege of defending oneself.
- **6.** Defendant respectfully requests the Court to:
  - · Reconsider or clarify the requirement for immediate payment,
  - Confirm whether non-payment will result in sanctions or adverse consequences,

- And grant relief from this financial burden pending determination of the multiple unresolved issues before the Court.
- 7. Defendant reserves the right to submit a contemporaneous letter to the assigned mediator explaining the financial constraint and requesting accommodation or fee deferment.

Respectfully submitted this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025

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