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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 3 THE NICE CHILDREN OF THE) CASE NO. CV 10-00049WR WORLD (CLASS ACTION), 5 CIVIL COMPLAINT FOR: Plaintiffs, 6 CIVIL RIGHTS ACT (1) VIOLATION: v. 8 DISCRIMINATION SANTA CLAUS, a/k/a SAINT NICK, AGAINST NICENESS; SAINT NICHOLAS, FATHER CHRISTMAS, KRIS KRINGLE, PÈRE) (2) VIOLATION OF EQUAL 10 NOËL, **PROTECTION** 11 12 Defendant 13 14 TRANSCRIPT FROM 15 DEPOSITION UPON ORAL EXAMINATION OF 16 SANTA CLAUS 17 December 25, 2012, 10:00 a.m. Law Offices of MICHEL & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 18 180 East Ocean Blvd., Suite 200 Long Beach, California 90802 19 20 APPEARANCES: 21 Attorney For Plaintiffs: 22 Attorney For Plaintiffs: 23 C.D. Michel Ebenezer Scrooge 24 Attorney at Law SCROOGE & MARLEY, INC. MICHEL & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys at Law 25 180 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 200 574 Pacific Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90802 San Francisco, CA 94133 26 (562) 216-4444 (415) 981-1849 27 www.michellawyers.com 28 29 Cindy Lou Who, CSR, RPR Court Reporter **30**

MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND BEST WISHES FOR A LITIGIOUS NEW YEAR!

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SC: Well Mr. Scrooge, last year because I gave the naughty children coal, I got sued for discrimination by the naughty kids. "Why does Santa get to judge?" "Blah, blah, blah. . . ." Lord help you if you challenge a kid's self-esteem these days. So anyway, this year I gave *all* of the children coal. Now I'm getting sued by the nice kids! And the EPA is claiming the coal delivery was an illegal dumping of hazardous waste. I can't win!

ES: Why not just give the naughty kids toys too?

SC: Because that's the road to ruin. Naughty children haven't earned toys. In fact, nobody earns or appreciates Christmas anymore. Ya know, I built Christmas. Not the government, me. And for centuries my work has been appreciated. But now people think they're entitled to free presents all year long. They think Christmas is just another government entitlement program!

ES: Why do you say that?

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SC: Think about it. The handouts, the gifts: food stamps, subsidized housing, mortgage forgiveness, socialized health care, child care, never ending unemployment benefits, welfare . . . the gift list goes on. People actually believe that deer dung about the government building free enterprises. Christmas gets lumped right in with Obama-phones! Now the elves want to unionize. The feds tax the milk and cookies! Why should I bother? If the nice kids want toys, they had better vote.

ES: Did you personally deliver the coal on Christmas Eve?

SC: Jingle bells no. I laid off the elves and farmed the job out to China. They make almost all the toys there anyway, and without my toy order this year, they appreciated the work.

ES: So where were you on Christmas Eve?

SC: Well that was quite a long night [smiling wryly]. First, me and the reindeer boys smoked some mistletoe and hit the Vegas night clubs. But by 2am the table service girls were asking why we weren't out delivering presents. So we hopped in the sleigh and headed to the Thailand clubs where the girls don't ask questions, so long as you keep the candy cane flowing. Ho, Ho, Ho.