

MEMORANDUM Office of the City Attorney

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TO:

Mayor and City Commissioners

DATE: December 12, 2005

FROM:

City Attorney

CONSENT

SUBJECT:

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, as Subrogee of Paul

Fisher and Paul Fisher, individually vs. Flossie Rebecca Welch; Alachua

County Court; Case No.: 01-05-SC-4743

Recommendation: The City Commission authorize the City Attorney to represent the City and former City employee, Flossie Welch, in the case styled State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, as Subrogee of Paul Fisher and Paul Fisher, individually vs. Flossie Rebecca Welch; Alachua County Court; Case No.: 01-05-SC-4743.

On or about November 18, 2005, the City Attorney's Office was notified that a former City Employee was served with a Summons/Notice to Appear for Pre-Trial Conference and Complaint by State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, as Subrogee of Paul Fisher and Paul Fisher, individually. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and Paul Fisher allege that on April 15, 2003, Paul Fisher's vehicle and a RTS vehicle driven by employee Flossie Welch collided. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and Paul Fisher seek money damages.

Prepared by:

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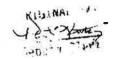
Submitted by:

Marion Radson,

City Attorney

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IN THE COUNTY COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 0105 SC 4743 DIVISION: 10

STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Subrogee of PAUL FISHER and PAUL FISHER, individually, Plaintiffs,

rLOSSIE REBECCA WELCH, Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Plaintiffs, STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Subrogee of PAUL FISHER and PAUL FISHER, individually, sue Defendant, FLOSSIE REBECCA WELCH, and allege:

- 1. This is an action for damages that exceed \$2,500.00, but do not exceed \$5,000.00, exclusive of interest and costs.
- On or about April 15, 2003, Defendant operated a motor vehicle in Gainesville, Alchua County, Florida.
- 3. At that time and place, Defendant negligently operated or maintained the motor vehicle so that it collided with the motor vehicle owned by Plaintiff, PAUL FISHER, and driven by Craig Fisher.
- 4. As a result of Defendant's negligence, the motor vehicle owned by Plaintiff, PAUL FISHER, was damaged and declined in value and he lost the use thereof while same was being repaired.
- 5. At all times material hereto, Plaintiff, STATE FARM, had in full force and effect a policy of automobile liability insurance covering the motor vehicle owned by Flaintiff, PAUL FISHER.
- 6. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's negligence and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the aforementioned policy of insurance, Plaintiff, STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY, was forced to pay the sum of \$3,224.87



for the property damage to the motor vehicle owned by Plaintiff, PAUL FISHER.

- 7. As a further direct and proximate result of Defendant's negligence, Plaintiff, PAUL FISHER, was forced to pay a deductible and out-of-pocket expenses of \$639.71 as required by the terms and conditions of said policy of insurance.
- 8. As a result of the aforementioned payments and under the terms and conditions of said policy, Plaintiff, STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY, has become subrogated to the rights of Plaintiff, PAUL FISHER.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment against Defendant for damages, pre-judgment interest, court costs and all other damages to which Plaintiffs are entitled as a matter of law

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STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY ASO PAUL FISHER

PAUL FISHER

VS

PLAINTIFF

Case Number: 01 2005 SC 004743 Division: WALTER M GREEN - DIV IV

FLOSSIE REBECCA WELCH

DEFENDANT

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SUMMONS/NOTICE TO APPEAR FOR PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE STATE OF FLORIDA - NOTICE TO PLAINTIFF(S) AND DEFENDANT(S)

FLOSSIE REBECCA WELCH 3941 SW 17 LN APT G **GAINESVILLE FL 32607**

STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY ASO PAUL FISHER

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You are hereby notified that you are required to appear in person or by attorney at the Alachua County Courthouse Courtroom 2-C on: Friday, 12/16/2005, at 9:00 am for a Pre-trial Conference before a Judge of this Court and for hearing as to reasonable attorney fees in the event of default.

You must advise the Clerk, in writing, of any change in your mailing address.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Alachua County Court Administrator at (352) 374-3648, within 2 working days of your receipt of this summons. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.

