IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

BRITTNEY FREDERICK, CRISTEN LEE, ALEXANDER PRUEFER, JINGER SANDERS, ALEXANDRA NEUMAYER, and MARIA CURCIO, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Case No. 2021L001116

Hon. David E. Schwartz

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CLERK OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Plaintiffs,

EXAMSOFT WORLDWIDE, INC.,

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Defendant.

## PROPOSED FINAL JUDGMENT AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

WHEREAS, a class action is pending before the Court entitled Frederick, et al. v. ExamSoft Worldwide, Inc., Case No. 2021L001116; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs Brittney Frederick, Cristen Lee, Alexander Pruefer, Jinger Sanders, Alexandra Neumayer, and Maria Curcio (collectively, "Plaintiffs") and Defendant ExamSoft Worldwide, Inc., now known as ExamSoft Worldwide LLC ("Defendant," and together with Plaintiffs, the "Parties") have entered into a Class Action Settlement Agreement, which, together with the exhibits attached thereto, sets forth the terms and conditions for a proposed settlement and dismissal of the Action with prejudice as to Defendant upon the terms and conditions set forth therein (the "Settlement Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2022, the Court granted Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement, conditionally certifying a Class pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-801 of "all Illinois residents who used ExamSoft's software to take an online exam between January 1, 2020 through and including May 5, 2021 and who had their facial geometry or other

biometric information collected, captured, received, or otherwise obtained and/or stored by Defendant;" and

WHEREAS, the Court has considered the Parties' Class Action Settlement Agreement, as well as Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Final Approval of the Settlement Agreement, Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, Expenses, And Incentive Awards, together with all exhibits thereto, the arguments and authorities presented by the Parties and their counsel at the Final Approval Hearing held on April 7, 2022, and the record in the Action, and good cause appearing;

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, DECREED, AND ADJUDGED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Terms and phrases in this Final Judgment shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the Parties' Class Action Settlement Agreement.
- 2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action and over all Parties to the Action, including all Settlement Class members.
- 3. The notice provided to the Settlement Class pursuant to the Settlement Agreement and order granting Preliminary Approval—including (i) direct notice to the Settlement Class via email and U.S. mail, based on the comprehensive Settlement Class List provided by Defendant, and (ii) the creation of the Settlement Website—fully complied with the requirements of 735 ILCS 5/2-803 and due process, and was reasonably calculated under the circumstances to apprise the Settlement Class of the pendency of the Action, their right to object to or to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement, and their right to appear at the Final Approval Hearing.
- 4. This Court now gives final approval to the Settlement Agreement, and finds that the Settlement Agreement is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class. The settlement consideration provided under the Settlement Agreement constitutes fair

value given in exchange for the release of the Released Claims against the Released Parties. The Court finds that the consideration to be paid to members of the Settlement Class is reasonable, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class Members, considering the total value of their claims compared to (i) the disputed factual and legal circumstances of the Action, (ii) affirmative defenses asserted in the Action, and (iii) the potential risks and likelihood of success of pursuing litigation on the merits. The complex legal and factual posture of this case, the amount of discovery completed, and the fact that the Settlement is the result of arms'-length negotiations between the Parties support this finding. The Court finds that these facts, in addition to the Court's observations throughout the litigation, demonstrate that there was no collusion present in the reaching of the Settlement Agreement, implicit or otherwise.

- 5. The Court has specifically considered the factors relevant to class action settlement approval, including:
  - (1) the strength of the case for the plaintiffs on the merits, balanced against the money or other relief offered in settlement; (2) the defendant's ability to pay; (3) the complexity, length and expense of further litigation; (4) the amount of opposition to the settlement; (5) the presence of collusion in reaching a settlement; (6) the reaction of members of the class to the settlement; (7) the opinion of competent counsel; and (8) the stage of proceedings and the amount of discovery completed.

City of Chicago v. Korshak, 206 Ill. App. 3d 968, 972 (1st Dist. 1990).

- 6. The Court finds that the Class Representatives and Class Counsel adequately represented the Settlement Class for the purposes of litigating this matter and entering into and implementing the Settlement Agreement.
  - 7. Accordingly, the Settlement is hereby finally approved in all respects.
- 8. The Parties are hereby directed to implement the Settlement Agreement according to its terms and provisions. The Settlement Agreement is hereby incorporated into this Final



Judgment in full and shall have the full force of an Order of this Court.

- 9. This Court hereby dismisses the Action, as identified in the Settlement Agreement, on the merits and with prejudice.
- 10. Upon the Effective Date of this Final Judgment, Plaintiffs and each and every Settlement Class Member who did not opt out of the Settlement Class, including the Releasing Parties, shall be deemed to have released Defendant, as well as the Released Parties from any and all causes of action, suits, claims, liens, demands, judgments, costs, damages, obligations, attorney fees (except as provided for in the Class Settlement), and all other legal responsibilities in any form or nature, including but not limited to, all claims relating to or arising out of state, local, or federal statute, ordinance, regulation, or claim at common law or in equity, whether past, present, or future, known or unknown, asserted or unasserted, arising out of or in any way allegedly related to the collection and possession of "biometrics" or other information related to facial authentication technology by or on behalf of ExamSoft Worldwide Inc., including all claims that were brought or could have been brought in the Action.
- 11. Upon the Effective Date of this Final Judgment, the above release of claims and the Settlement Agreement will be binding on, and will have *res judicata* and preclusive effect on, all pending and future lawsuits or other proceedings maintained by or on behalf of Plaintiffs and all other Settlement Class Members and Releasing Parties. All Settlement Class Members are hereby permanently barred and enjoined from filing, commencing, prosecuting, intervening in, or participating (as class members or otherwise) in any lawsuit or other action in any jurisdiction based on or arising out of any of the Released Claims.
- 12. The Court has also considered Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion For Attorneys' Fees, Costs, Expenses, And Incentive Awards, as well as the supporting memorandum and declarations,

and adjudges that the payment of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses in the amount of \$843,750.00 is reasonable in light of the multi-factor test used to evaluate fee awards in Illinois. See McNiff v. Mazda Motor of Am., Inc., 384 Ill. App. 3d 401, 407 (4th Dist. 2008). Such payment shall be made pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

- 13. The Court has also considered Plaintiffs' Motion, memorandum of law, and supporting declarations for incentive awards to the Class Representatives, Plaintiffs Brittney Frederick, Cristen Lee, Alexander Pruefer, Jinger Sanders, Alexandra Neumayer, and Maria Curcio. The Court adjudges that the payment of incentive awards in the amount of \$5,000 to each Plaintiff to compensate them for their efforts and commitment on behalf of the Settlement Class, is fair, reasonable, and justified under the circumstances of this case. Such payment shall be made pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.
- 14. All payments made to Settlement Class Members pursuant to the Settlement Agreement that are not cashed within one hundred and eighty (180) days of issuance shall revert to the Chicago Bar Foundation, which the Court approves as an appropriate *cy pres* recipient.
- 15. The Court has also considered the prospective relief in the Settlement Agreement and finds that it constitutes Defendant's compliance with Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act, 740 ILCS 14/1, et seq., going forward.
- 16. Except as otherwise set forth in this Order, the Parties shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees.
- 17. The Parties, without further approval from the Court, are hereby permitted to agree and adopt such amendments, modifications, and expansions of the Settlement Agreement and its implementing documents (including all exhibits to the Settlement Agreement) so long as they are consistent in all material respects with this Final Judgment and do not limit the rights of Settlement

Class Members.

18. Without affecting the finality of this Final Judgment for purposes of appeal, the Court shall retain jurisdiction over all matters relating to administration, consummation, enforcement, and interpretation of the Settlement Agreement until the Effective Date.

The Court finds that there is no just reason to delay, and therefore directs the Clerk 19. of Court to enter this Final Approval Order and Judgment as the judgment of the Court forthwith.

The Honorable David E. Schwartz

Robert W. Rohm