UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE HOLDINGS

LTD., a Bermuda Company; NCL (BAHAMAS) LTD., d/b/a NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE, a Bermuda Company; SEVEN SEAS CRUISES S. DE R.L., d/b/a REGENT SEVEN SEAS CRUISES, a Panama Limited Liability Company; OCEANIA CRUISES S. DE R.L., d/b/a OCEANIA CRUISES, a Panama Limited Liability Company;

Case No. 1:21-cv-22492-KMW

Plaintiffs,

v.

SCOTT A. RIVKEES, M.D., State Surgeon General and Head of the Florida Department of Health, in his official capacity;

Defendant.

DECLARATION OF DR. JUKKA LAITAMAKI

I, Jukka Laitamaki, declare as follows:

- 1. I make this declaration on the basis of my personal and professional knowledge and experience and publicly available information. Various materials that I have relied upon in formulating my opinions set forth in this declaration are listed in **Exhibit 1** hereto.
- 2. I hold a Ph.D. and M.Sc. from the Cornell University School of Hotel Administration, as well as an M.Sc. from the Turku School of Economics and Business Administration. I am currently a clinical professor in the School of Professional Studies and Jonathan M. Tisch Center of Hospitality at New York University ("NYU").
- 3. At NYU, I teach courses on Leadership, Strategy Formulation, Business Development, and Strategic Brand Management. I have more than 30 years of higher education and consulting experience in over 20 countries on six continents and the United Nations. My areas of expertise include business strategy, branding, sustainability, and entrepreneurship with a special focus on the international hospitality, tourism, and service industries. I also lecture and

conduct research in the areas of leadership, global and competitive strategy, Blue Ocean and brand strategy, customer and brand experience management, and sustainability.

- 4. My research in these areas has been published in several international conferences and journals, including the European Management Journal, California Management Review, and Journal of Transnational Management.
- 5. Previously, I worked as a professor at the University of California Berkeley and Fordham University. At Fordham, I built the Global Professional MBA Program with 140 students from 40 countries. Newsweek recognized the program as one of the top seven international MBA programs in the United States. I also was a management consultant with the Service Management Group at McKinsey & Company.
- 6. Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings Ltd. ("NCLH") has agreed to compensate me at a rate of \$500 per hour for this engagement, and that rate is my standard one for providing consulting services.
- 7. In the course of my professional life, I have extensively analyzed and studied the cruise industry with a focus on Carnival Corporation & PLC, Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd., NCLH, and their core strategies, innovations, and main brands of Carnival Cruise Line, Royal Caribbean, and Norwegian Cruise Line. Jukka Matti Laitamaki, *The Next Generation Cruise Ships Searching for the Blue Ocean*, The Case Centre (2020).
- 8. "A brand is an organization's promise to a customer to deliver what the brand stands for not only in terms of functional benefits but also emotional, self-expressive, and social benefits." David A. Aaker, Aaker on Branding (2014). When a brand delivers on the promise, it will earn the consumer's trust. Failing to deliver on the promise has the potential to destroy that trust and the brand itself. Brand trust has been defined as "the extent to which consumers believe that a company can deliver products and services that satisfy consumer needs and wants," Kevin Lane Keller & David A. Aaker, The Effects of Sequential Introduction of Brand Extension, Vol. XXIX J. of Marketing Research 35 (1992), as well as "the brand will deliver what is desired versus that which is feared." Susan Fournier, Consumers and Their Brands: Developing Relationship Theory in Consumer Research, 24 J. of Consumer Research 343 (1998). Earning and maintaining the trust of customers is essential to strategic success in the cruise industry, and that trust can be quickly and irrevocably lost if customers have a poor experience with a particular brand or otherwise perceive that a brand has failed to deliver on its promises.

- 9. The U.S. cruise industry is struggling due to the early COVID-19 crises on Diamond Princess and Grand Princess, which resulted in the loss of life and CDC's No Sail Order. Americans are still hesitant to take a cruise: according to a May 2021 poll of 1,999 U.S. adults by Harris Poll, only 50% of respondents are confident that the cruise industry can reopen safely coming out of the pandemic. These results meant that the cruise industry ranked at the bottom in terms of consumer trust in safe opening, behind retail stores (82%), restaurants (80%), hotels (79%), airlines (69%), amusement parks (63%), movie theaters (63%), and sports and concert venues (59%). According to the same survey, 59% of respondents said that if they were going to take a cruise, they would specifically look for a cruise line that mandated all crew and passengers to be vaccinated against COVID-19. Just 26% preferred that there was no mandate, and 18% said it would not matter either way.
- 10. A separate May 2021 survey of over 5,000 readers of Cruisecritic.com recently found that 80% of likely cruisers prefer to resume sailing on ships that require vaccinations. Of the 80% who favor vaccinated ships, 89% said they would feel more safe sailing on a ship with fellow vaccinated travelers, and 69% said they want a more traditional cruise experience, without masks, social distancing, or testing requirements. Just 14% of the respondents said they would prefer to sail on a ship without a vaccine requirement, and 7% said they had no preference.
- Seven Seas) have a brand promise of safety and hygiene. The most recent data from CDC's Vessel Sanitation Program indicated that all of NCLH's ships passed the sanitation inspection (86 or higher score) with Norwegian Sky and Norwegian Spirit receiving the maximum score of 100 (https://wwwn.cdc.gov/InspectionQueryTool/InspectionResults.aspx). NCLH has been an innovator in the cruise industry, introducing several industry firsts including Freestyle Cruising and Value-Add Bundling of customer services and experiences. NCLH has differentiated its brands based on the flexibility that customers have for enjoying various restaurants, bars, activities, and amenities onboard. These innovations combined with the youngest fleet relative to key competitors (9.8 years weighted average at the end of 2017) have resulted in excellent customer loyalty, which stood at 62% for Regent Seven Seas, 50% for Oceania Cruises, and 40% for Norwegian Cruise Line at the end of 2017. Jukka Matti Laitamaki, *The Next Generation Cruise Ships Searching for the Blue Ocean*, The Case Centre (2020).

- 12. Strong brand trust and customer loyalty have produced best-in-class net yield performance for NCLH, which was 29% higher than Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. and 38% higher than Carnival Corporation & PLC. NCLH's brand trust would be severely harmed and could be destroyed if there were an outbreak of COVID-19 on any of its cruise ships. Beyond the extreme costs involved in sailing to a safe harbor in the wake of an outbreak, as current industry protocol requires, NCLH's brand promise for safe and hygienic cruises would be irreversibly injured.
- 13. It is my understanding that NCLH promised its passengers 100% vaccinated cruises before Fla. Stat. § 381.00316 was enacted on May 3, 2021, and before it took effect on July 1, 2021. A failure to keep that promise would threaten NCLH's brand trust, especially given that many of its passengers likely bought tickets, made plans, and incurred costs based on this promise.
- 14. "The cruise experience benefits from being impromptu. It is cruise lines' worst nightmare to have separate areas for the vaccinated and unvaccinated." See Fran Golden, On Cruises That Allow Them, the Unvaccinated Are Second-Class Citizens, Bloomberg News, https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-07-07/on-cruises-that-allow-them-theunvaccinated-are-second-class-citizens (2021). A 2019 survey found that cruise passengers find the following amenities appealing: restaurants (73%), movie theaters/stage shows (56%), spa amenities (45%), and bars (38%) (Mintel, September 2019). A 2017 study indicated that cruises were found to be "good for relaxing" (57%), "a safe way to visit unfamiliar places" (42%), "good for experiencing new cultures" (41%), and "fun for everyone" (40%) (Mintel, September 2017). Although many passengers consider cruises to be the best way to visit unfamiliar destinations, large cruise ships such as Norwegian Epic have themselves become the preferred destinations many passengers, and their experience onboard is paramount (https://www.cruise-international.com/the-ship-is-the-destination/).
- 15. The utility that cruise passengers derive from on-board activities and amenities depends on their feeling that these activities are safe and comfortable to participate in. Thus, widespread fears of contracting COVID-19 onboard a cruise ship would significantly detract from the cruise experience, as passengers would not feel free and welcome to use many amenities or participate in many onboard activities without fear, stress, or constraint. The fear of COVID-19 has resulted in research regarding the nature and dimensions of this fear. Daniel

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- 16. My understanding of NCLH's policy of requiring that 100% of its crew and passengers be fully vaccinated—and of requiring documentation of crew and passenger vaccination statutes—is that this policy is a powerful tool for NCLH to build its brand trust and customer goodwill by focusing on shared emotions and countering the fear of COVID-19. Both crew and customers share the fear of COVID-19, and requiring 100% vaccinations—and documentation proving vaccination status—effectively counters that fear. Correspondingly, a ban on vaccination documentation would increase the fear of COVID-19, render NCLH's policy less effective, and thus harm NCLH's brand trust and goodwill and result in lower customer intent to take NCLH cruises in the future. Moreover, abandoning its documentation policy would likely be taken by customers as NCLH breaking its promise to them, thereby damaging NCLH's brand, reputation, and standing with customers in the ways I have already noted. Last, to the extent that abandoning the policy increases the risk of an actual COVID-19 outbreak, it would entail corresponding risks of the disastrous consequences for NCLH that I have noted.
- 17. If NCLH were required to board passengers who do not or cannot show documentation certifying COVID-19 vaccination, NCLH would likely be forced to significantly limit the cruise experience for these passengers. Enforcing these limits would almost certainly harm NCLH's goodwill and brand promise for providing flexibility as NCLH would need to enforce on-board barriers against passengers who did not certify vaccination against COVID-19. The resulting constraints, friction, and discomfort would undermine the cruise experience of everyone on board. Passengers who want to enjoy themselves on board do not want to have their activities strictly policed, nor do they want to worry about whether they are mixing with the wrong fellow passengers, at the wrong places as they move about a ship.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on July 12, 2021

DR. JUKKA ČÁITAMAKI

Exhibit 1

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Exhibit 2

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Dr. Laitamaki has worked as a management consultant with Service Management Group and McKinsey & Company, and as a professor at U.C. Berkeley, Fordham University, and New York University. At Fordham, he was part of the opening team of the Beijing International MBA Program which was inaugurated when President Clinton visited the University of Beijing in 1998. He built Fordham's Global Professional MBA (GPMBA) Program with 140 students from 40 countries. Newsweek recognized GPMBA as one of the top seven international MBA Programs in the U.S.

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