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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND/OR SUMMARY ADJUDICATION BY DEFENDANTS RICK GAY AND KASIA GAY

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## INTRODUCTION

This is a personal injury case brought by Tedd Mason with regard to injuries that he allegedly sustained during an altercation with Defendant Matthew Grey. In addition to suing Matthew Grey, Plaintiff also sued the Riverside Unified School District and Matthew Grey's parents, Rick Gay and Kasia Gay.

Plaintiff's complaint contains eight purported causes of action. Only one of those causes of action is directed toward the moving parties, Rick Gay and Kasia Gay, the Sixth Cause of Action for "liabilityL of Parent for Torts of Minor under California Civil Code, Section 1714.1(A)." [See Plaintiff's Complaint, page 13.] In the Sixth Cause of Action, Plaintiff alleges that Defendants Rick and Kasia Gay are liable for Defendant Matthew Grey's willful misconduct pursuant to Civil Code, Section 1714.1.

Civil Code Section 1714.1(A) provides that any willful misconduct of a minor which results in the injury or death of another person shall be imputed to the parent or guardian having custody or control of the minor for all purposes of civil damages. However, the liability imposed under 1714.1 of the Civil Code is limited to \$25,000 and is further limited "to medical, dental, and hospital expenses incurred by the injured person, not to exceed \$25,000." See Civil Code Section 1714.1(a).

On May 6, 2006, Plaintiff filed a Statement of Damages indicating that the Plaintiff had medical expenses totaling \$4,836.00 [See Exhibit A].

On or about July 11, 2007, Plaintiff entered into a settlement with the Riverside Unified School District whereby the District agreed to pay Plaintiff the total sum of \$75,000.00. [See Exhibit B].

By reason of the settlement with the Riverside Unified School District, all remaining Defendants including the moving parties have a right of off set. See CCP § 877(a)Further, the amount of the settlement (\$75,000.00) exceeds the amount of medical expenses recoverable by Plaintiff against Rick and Kasia Gay under Civil Code Section 1714.1(a). Therefore, Defendants Rick and Kasia Gay are entitled to judgment as a matter of law.

## **ARGUMENT**

Code of Civil Procedure § 437c(a) provides that any party may move for summary judgment in any action if it is contended that the action has no merit. Subsection (f)(1) provides that a party may move for summary adjudication as to one or more causes of action within an action if that party contends that the

cause of action has no merit.

<u>Code of Civil Procedure</u> § 437c(c) provides that the motion shall be granted if all of the papers submitted show that there is no triable issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law.

In this case, Defendants Kasia Gay and Rick Gay are entitled to Judgment has a matter of law on the Sixth Cause of Action since the Sixth Cause of Action is limited to recovery of medical expenses and Plaintiff's entire claim for medical expenses is off set by the settlement with the Riverside Unified School District.

DATED: August 24, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

BY:

Attorney for Defendants, MATTHEW GREY,

RICK GAY and KASIA GAY

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I am employed in the County of Riverside, State of California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action; my business address is: 18493 Halter Lane, PO Box 70090, Riverside, CA 92513.

On August 24, 2007, I served the foregoing document described as MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND/OR SUMMARY ADJUDICATION BY DEFENDANTS RICK GAY AND KASIA GAY on all parties to this action by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

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