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GEOFF TATE and SUSAN TATE, a married couple,

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY

**DECLARATION OF MICHAEL** WILTON

THE HONORABLE JULIA GARRATT

## No. 12-2-21829-3 SEA

HEARING W/ORAL ARGUMENT: DEC. 18122116120014711/1LERK

**EDDIE JACKSON** and **TERESA** GOLDEN-JACKSON, a married couple; **SCOTT ROCKENFIELD** and **MISTY ROCKENFIELD**, a married couple; MICHAEL WILTON and KERRIE LYNN WILTON, a married couple; TRI-RYCHE, **CORPORATION**, a Washington corporation; QUEENSRYCHE MERCHANDISING, INC., a Washington corporation; and MELODISC, LTD., a Washington corporation,

Defendants.

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, I, Michael Wilton, declare:

I am over 18 years of age.

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In 1994 all five band members signed separate employment and songwriter's agreements as well as the shareholders agreement for the Tri-Ryche Corporation. Although those agreements had thresholds requiring 80% votes to do things like terminate a member's employment or make a change in use of the Queensryche name, we understand that as, if every member but one agreed on something, then it was okay. So when Chris DeGarmo left the band in 1997 and the four remaining members had 25% shares of stock instead of 20%, we simply presumed that 75% replaced 80% as the thresholds in all those corporate agreements. Otherwise, it meant that everything would have to be 100% as a practical matter, and it was never anyone's intent that everything had to be unanimous. We also never formally changed anything in writing because the 80% or 75% threshold was never an issue until we had to fire Geoff Tate after his assault on the other members and other erratic behavior.

SIGNED this 13th day of November, 2013, at King County, State of Washington.

Michael Wilton

## **DECLARATION OF SERVICE**

2	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington
3	that on this date I caused the foregoing document to be served on the following
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