

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL SECTION

the largest voluntary state bar association in the United States, with offices in Albany, New York, represented by its elected President

and

MILAN BAR ASSOCIATION

an Italian non-economic public body and legally recognized association, with offices at Via C. Freguglia 1, Milan, Italy, represented by its President and legal representative avv. Vinicio Nardo'

WHEREAS

- A. The New York State Bar Association ("NYSBA") was established in 1876 with the objective of cultivating the science of jurisprudence, promoting reform in the law, facilitating the administration of justice and elevating the standards of integrity, honor, professional skill and courtesy in the legal profession. NYSBA has a number of sections, including the International Section ("NYSBA International"), which is responsible for, *inter alia*, representing NYSBA's interests internationally.
- B. Milan Bar Association is an organization representing, in an exclusive and institutional way, lawyers belonging to the district of Milan (according to art. 25.1, Law Profession Act).
- C. Each association caters for the specialized interest of members through the establishment of sections or commissions.
- D. Each association has formed an international law section or group, the objectives of which include clarification and promotion of the rights of their respective members when practicing international law, practicing in foreign jurisdictions or otherwise becoming involved in international transactions.
- E. The ability of each association to advance the interests of its members would be enhanced through close co-operation with the equivalent sections or groups of prominent law associations in other countries.
- F. The NYSBA and the Milan Bar Association intend to explore organizing, an event about legal issues of common interest, which may be hosted in Milan, New York, or online;
- G. There is a longstanding mutual respect between members of the Milan Bar Association and members of the New York State Bar Association.
- H. The above events demonstrate that there are opportunities between the respective areas of Italy and the United States for closer relations between the legal professionals of the Milan Bar Association and NYSBA International.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE NYSBA INTERNATIONAL SECTION AND THE MILAN BAR ASSOCIATION, DESIROUS OF MEMORIALIZING AN AGREEMENT RECOGNIZING THEIR COMMON INTERESTS AND GOALS AND TO FURTHER ENCOURAGE COOPERATION, RESOLVE AND STATE:

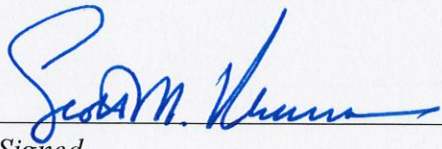
NYSBA International and the Milan Bar Association:

- recognizing their mutual interests in the law,
- desiring to strengthen their co-operation in promoting the mutual respect and exchange between lawyers in both countries and the exchange of legal information and materials,
- recognizing their mutual support for the rule of law and the development of legal research work throughout the world,
- recognizing the growing importance of trade around the world and the need closer ties between people in the legal profession and the vital part played by the law in these relationships,
- recognizing the potential for more effectively addressing international legal issues through international programs, seminars, congresses, community outreach projects and the exchange of publications internationally; and
- recognizing the advantages inherent in developing and improving understanding within each jurisdiction of the laws of the other jurisdictions relevant to international business transactions, commercial disputes, human rights and the transnational delivery of legal services,

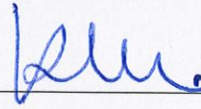
hereby agree that they will seek to enhance the honor of the law and the profession of law and to develop and maintain a relationship based on mutual respect and co-operation, and that through exchanges based on mutual respect and co-operation, and specifically through exchanges as appropriate of legal publications, materials and information, as well as visits of lawyers, and possibly through the conduct of educational events, they will endeavor to strengthen the bonds which join them as members of the international legal profession.

The Parties also agree to consider the possibility of training and internships or traineeships in law firms selected by each signatory Bar Association for professionals, young lawyers, or trainee lawyers sent by the other Party, on condition that i) each Party acknowledges the validity of the training period or legal practice carried out in the other country; ii) each Party organizes selection procedures based on transparency and meritocracy, aimed to reward the most prepared and motivated candidates.

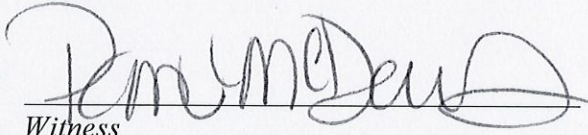
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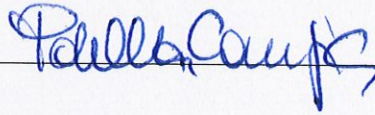
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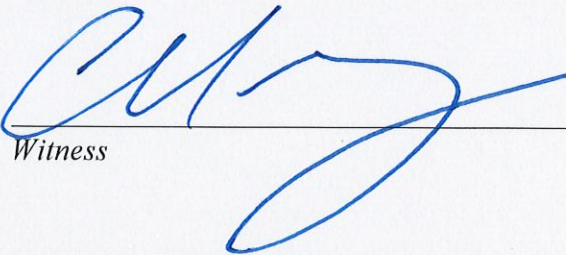
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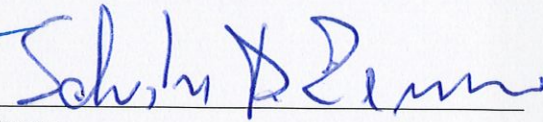
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