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10 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
11 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
12 **SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION**

13 IN RE: OPTICAL DISK DRIVE
14 ANTITRUST LITIGATION

Case No. 3:10-md-2143-RS
MDL No. 2143

15 This Document Relates to:

16 ALL DIRECT PURCHASER CLASS
17 ACTIONS

**DECLARATION OF AARON WALNER
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR
ATTORNEYS' FEES, REIMBURSEMENT
OF EXPENSES, AND INCENTIVE
AWARDS**

1 I, AARON WALNER, declare and state as follows:

2 1. I am a partner of the Walner Law Firm I submit this declaration in support of
3 Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs' ("DPPs") joint application for an award of attorneys' fees, expenses,
4 and incentive awards in connection with the services rendered in this litigation. I make this
5 Declaration based on my own personal knowledge, and if called as a witness, I could and would
6 competently testify to the matters stated herein.

7 2. My firm has served as counsel to Paul Nordine and as counsel for the Direct
8 Purchaser Class ("Class") throughout the course of this litigation. My firm's curriculum vitae was
9 previously submitted to the Court in connection with Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs' prior motion for
10 an award of attorneys' fees, reimbursement of expenses and class representative incentive awards
11 on March 16, 2015 ("Prior Request for Attorneys' Fees"). (Dkt. No. 1535).

12 3. The Walner Law Firm has prosecuted this litigation solely on a contingent-fee
13 basis, and has been at risk that it would not receive any compensation for prosecuting claims
14 against the Defendants. While The Walner Law Firm devoted its time and resources to this matter,
15 it has foregone other legal work for which it would have been compensated.

16 4. During the pendency of the litigation, The Walner Law Firm performed the
17 following work: I reviewed Court documents and emails pertinent to this case; I continuously kept
18 abreast of all developments in the litigation and communicated these developments to my client; I
19 reviewed the settlement agreements with my client.

20 5. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is my firm's hours and lodestar, computed at historical
21 rates, for the period of January 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015. This period does not reflect any
22 time previously submitted to the Court in connection with the Prior Request for Attorneys' Fees in
23 this litigation. The total number of hours spent by Aaron Walner during this period of time was
24 34.3 hours with a corresponding lodestar of \$15,435.00. This summary was prepared from
25 contemporaneous, daily time records regularly prepared and maintained by my firm. The lodestar
26 amount reflected in Exhibit 1 is for work assigned by the Chairman of the Executive Committee,
27 and was performed by professional staff at my law firm for the benefit of the Class.

1 6. The hourly rates for the attorneys and professional support staff in my firm
2 included in Exhibit 1 are the usual and customary hourly rates charged by the Walner Law Firm.

3 8. I have reviewed the time and expenses reported by my firm in this case which are
4 included in this declaration, and I affirm that they are true and accurate.

5 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the
6 foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this 9th day of February, 2016 at Chicago, Illinois.

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 /s/ Aaron Walner
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EXHIBIT 1

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In re Optical Disk Drive Antitrust Litigation, Case No. 3:10-md-2143-RS

THE WALNER LAW FIRM

Reported Hours and Lodestar

January 1, 2015 through November 3, 2015

TIME REPORT

NAME	TOTAL HOURS	HOURLY RATE	LODESTAR
ATTORNEYS			
Aaron Walner (P)	34.3	\$450	\$15,435.00
TOTAL:		34.3	\$15,435.00

(P) Partner