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Workers' Compensation Court
P.O. Box 537
Helena, Montana 59624

OFFICE OF
WORKERS' COMPENSATION JUDGE
HELENA, MONTANA

Re: Dale Reesor v. Montana State Fund, WCC No. 2002-0676

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing on behalf of Bristol West Insurance Company ("Bristol West"), an affiliate of Bristol West Holdings, Inc. Bristol West has been named as a party in the above-referenced action. Bristol West should not be a party in this action because Bristol West has never written any insurance in Montana, including without limitation workers' compensation insurance. In October 1999, Bristol West (under the name Reliant Insurance Company) became licensed to write insurance in Montana, but it has never done so.

I spoke with Clara, a Deputy in the Clerk's office, who was very helpful and informed me to write this letter. Since Bristol West clearly does not belong in this case, I would like to avoid the expense of hiring Montana counsel to file a motion. I respectfully request that Bristol West be dismissed as a party to this action.

I understand from Clara that a default will not be taken while this request is being considered. If I need to do anything more, by copy of this letter I request that Mr. Murphy contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'George G. O'Brien'.

George G. O'Brien

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cc: Thomas J. Murphy, Esquire