PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO THE COURT'S ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

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Plaintiff Triller Fight Club II LLC ("Plaintiff" or "Fight Club") hereby files this Response to the Court's Order to Show Cause dated August 3, 2021 (ECF No. 17), and, for the reasons stated herein, respectfully requests the Court not dismiss this action.

- Fight Club is the copyright owner and publisher of the April 17, 2021, broadcast of the "Jake Paul vs. Ben Askren" boxing event, including all undercard bouts and the entire television broadcast, exhibited on a pay-per-view basis via closed circuit television and via encrypted satellite signal (hereinafter referred to as the "Broadcast"). Plaintiff's copyright in the Broadcast bears Registration Number PA 2-290-040, became effective on April 30, 2021, and was decided on May 4, 2021.
- 2. At or about the time the Broadcast was first exhibited, Fight Club became aware that a number of individuals and entities had re-published the Broadcast, in full or in part, in violation of Fight Club's copyright rights. These individuals and entities included, among others, Defendants Matthew P. Space ("Space") and Eclipt Gaming ("Eclipt"). Accordingly, on June 3, 2021, Fight Club initiated this action by filing a complaint against Mr. Space and Eclipt (the "Complaint"). (ECF No. 1.)
- 3. On June 8, 2021, Fight Club served Mr. Space and Eclipt with copies of the Complaint and summons. (ECF Nos. 12 & 13.) Mr. Space and Eclipt were therefore required to respond to the Complaint on or before July 9, 2021.
- 4. On June 25, 2021, John Ziobro ("Mr. Ziobro"), a New York-based attorney representing Mr. Space and Eclipt, contacted counsel for Fight Club. Mr. Ziobro explained that although he represents Mr. Space and Eclipt, he is not licensed to practice law in this District, and will therefore be assisting Mr. Space and Eclipt locate and retain counsel licensed to practice in this District. Accordingly, Mr. Ziobro requested an extension of time of 45 days, or until August 23, 2021, for Mr. Space and Eclipt to respond to the Complaint. Counsel for Fight Club agreed to provide Mr. Space and Eclipt the requested extension of time to respond to the Complaint. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of a June 25, 2021, email

exchange between Mr. Ziobro and counsel for Fight Club. In light of the foregoing, Fight Club respectfully requests that the Court not dismiss this action. To the extent that the Court has remaining concerns about Fight Club's efforts to prosecute this matter, Fight Club respectfully requests that the Court schedule a Status Conference. Dated: August 9, 2021 NOVIAN & NOVIAN, LLP Attorneys at Law /s/ Alexander Brendon Gura By: **FARHAD NOVIAN** MICHAEL O'BRIEN ALEXANDER BRENDON GURA Attorneys for Plaintiff Triller Fight Club II LLC 

## **EXHIBIT A**

**Subject:** RE: Space v. Triller [5209.16]

**Date:** Friday, June 25, 2021 at 11:29:00 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Alexander Gura
To: John Ziobro

CC: Brenda Kurth, Nichole Weale, Farhad Novian, Michael O'Brien, Steven Diaz

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John,

As discussed, we will agree to provide your client with 45 days to obtain counsel here in California. As also discussed, I will be sending you requests for documents and other information in the meantime to help determine the extent of Mr. Space's involvement. In the meantime, please enjoy the weekend.

Regards,

Alexander

Alexander Brendon Gura, Esq.

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From: John Ziobro <jz@ziobrolaw.com>
Sent: Friday, June 25, 2021 11:27 AM
To: Alexander Gura <gura@novianlaw.com>

Cc: Brenda Kurth <Brenda@ziobrolaw.com>; Nichole Weale <nichole@ziobrolaw.com>

Subject: Space v. Triller

Mr. Gura

This shall confirm that you have agreed to give my client 45 days to submit an answer to your complaint or otherwise move in this matter.

As we discussed I am not a licensed California attorney and will be seeking counsel for him in your jurisdiction.

I also stated that I do not believe my client is the individual for the actions that you allege in your complaint. He is the victim of Identity theft. The Gamer tag "ghostsniper845" has not been used in years by my client.

Please respond to this email that you have agreed to this 45 day extension.

Thank you for your courtesies in this matter.

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