STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF CARVER

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION

Court File No.: 10-PR-16-46

Estate

Prince Rogers Nelson, Decedent. AFFIDAVIT OF SNOWE SAXMAN

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG)

Snowe Saxman, being first duly sworn under oath, states as follows:

- 1. My name is Snowe Melinda Saxman, f/k/a Snowe Melinda Miller. I am over 21 years of age and am making this Affidavit based upon my own personal knowledge.
- 2. I was born on October 4, 1975 in Norfolk, Virginia. I was adopted on or about October 17, 1975 by April Wood and Harry Steven Miller. The adoption was closed and I am unaware of the identity and location of my genetic parents. The Virginia Adoption Case Number is #73118. Attached are copies of my birth certificate and marriage certificate. *See* Exhibits A and B.
- 3. I believe there is a reasonable possibility that I am the daughter of Prince Rogers Nelson.
- 4. Since I was young, many people have noted that I possess substantial physical, temperamental and aspirational similarities to Prince. I have a close resemblance to Prince. See Exhibit C. I consider myself very artsy and my personality has been described as flamboyant, a natural-born star and a performer made for the stage. I sing, dance, write music, and have taught myself to play instruments. I created many dances during high school and performed on numerous occasions as a child and young adult. However, because my adoption was closed and

Prince was a celebrity, I never considered it plausible to substantiate the many claims made by others of my resemblance to Prince.

- 5. While I was aware of Prince's death in April 21, 2016, it was only recently that I became interested in researching my family background. I utilized the services of Family Tree DNA ("Family Tree") to conduct a genetic test to investigate my family roots. Family Tree provides its members with DNA kits in order to find genetic matches and trace ancestry. I submitted DNA to Family Tree to research my ancestry.
- 6. Based upon the many comments by others regarding my identity, I ran the DNA submitted to Family Tree against several other profiles on Geni.com, including Prince's family tree. While searches of other profiles provided no genetic correlation, there were numerous matches with many relatives on Prince's family tree including John Lewis Nelson, Mattie Della Baker, Duane Joseph Nelson and Mayte Janell Garcia. *See* Exhibit D. As Prince's DNA has not been submitted to Geni.com, a correlation is not yet possible.
- 7. Under Minn. Stat. § 257.63 subdivision 1, genetic test results of the probability of the alleged father's paternity is evidence relevant to the issue of the paternity of the child. I believe that this evidence is sufficient to indicate a reasonable possibility exists that I am the daughter of Prince.
- 8. Until recently, I was unaware of the high probability that a genetic relationship existed between Prince and me. If Prince is my father, I do not believe he would have intended to adopt me. I also did not receive notice of any proceeding concerning the estate. Thus, my claim is timely under the Court's May 18, 2017 Order Determining Intestacy, Heirship & McMillan Matters and Minn. Stat. § 524.3-412.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

Inave Layman

Snowe Saxman, Affiant

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me on this 17th day of May, 2018.

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Notary Public – State of North Carolina
My Commission Expires: <u>07/12/2 v 2v</u>

