### NOTICE OF TORT CLAIM

This constitutes a Notice of Claim submitted pursuant to 51 Okla. Stat. Ann. § 156:

Claimant: Jordan Cole

Address: PO Box 504, Webber's Falls, OK 74470

Claimant may be contacted through undersigned counsel.

c/o McGrew, McGrew & Associates

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Date of Occurrence Giving Rise to Claim: 9/4/2023

Time of Occurrence Giving Rise to Claim: Approximately 11:20 AM

Location of Occurrence Giving Rise to Claim: Muskogee County near E. 253rd St. S. and S. 135th St. E. in Porum, Oklahoma.

#### Circumstances of Claim:

See attached Oklahoma Official Collision Report

On September 4, 2023, Hayden Pearce was operating a motor vehicle owned by Anna Barger near E. 253rd St. S. and S. 135th St. E. near Porum, Oklahoma in Muskogee County. At the time of the accident, Claimant, Jordan Cole, was a passenger in the subject vehicle, and Hayden Pearce was operating the vehicle as a permissive driver. A tree was lying on the road at approximately the intersection described above without being addressed by county/city/state officials. The county/city/state knew or should have known about the dangerous condition created by the fallen tree and failed to remove it, warn against it, or guard against it. A neighbor, Kimberly Alexander, observed the tree down on the road and called in to report that a tree had fallen but no one answered the phone and there was no option to leave a message. The vehicle in which Claimant was riding struck into the fallen tree causing the death of Hayden Pearce and bodily injury to Claimant, Jordan Cole, as well as property damage to the subject vehicle.

Witness Contact Information: Kimberly Alexander

Address Unknown

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**Responsible Parties:** The responsible parties<sup>1</sup> that caused the injuries/damages alleged herein include any state entity, municipality, or political subdivision responsible for maintaining the safety of the roadway described above, including removing, warning and guarding against the fallen tree described above, including but not limited to:

- 1. The City/Town of Porum, OK
- 2. The City/Town of Stigler, OK
- 3. The City/Town of Muskogee, OK
- 4. Muskogee County
- 5. Haskell County
- 6. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT)
- 7. The State of Oklahoma
- 8. The Muskogee County Board of County Commissioners
- 9. Any officers, deputies, troopers, or other staff, or employees or agents of the responsible parties.

Claimant's Injuries/Damages: Claimant has suffered bodily injuries and loss of earnings as a result of the above-described collision. See Claimant's medical records and bills attached hereto, as well as a list of all healthcare providers who have provided treatment to Claimant as a result of the incident.

See also, Authorizations for the Release of Health Information attached.

**Amount of Compensation or Other Relief Demanded:** \$175,000.00 or the maximum amount allowable by law pursuant to the Oklahoma Governmental Tort Claims Act, whichever is greater.

**Attorney Authorized to Discuss Settlement of Claim:** 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Out of an abundance of caution, this notice of tort claim is all encompassing and asserts claims against numerous state and political subdivisions; some may not apply.

# Respectfully submitted,

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# Office of the Risk Management Administrator of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services

Will Rogers Office Building 2401 N. Lincoln Blvd., Suite 118 Oklahoma City, OK 73105

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# Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT)

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