UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION

JOSEPH SELF AND MALINDA SELF, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated, **PLAINTIFFS**

v.

CASE NO. 4:24-cv-142-LPR

CADENCE BANK DEFENDANT

<u>PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES,</u> <u>LITIGATION COSTS, AND SERVICE AWARDS</u>

In accord with the Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement"), Class Counsel respectfully move this Court for an award of attorneys' fees of one-third of the gross Settlement Fund created by the settlement of the above-captioned action (the "Settlement"), or \$1,500,000, and reimbursement of litigation expenses in the amount of \$27,766.64. In addition, Class Counsel request that this Court award Plaintiffs Joseph Self and Malinda Self ("Plaintiffs" or "Settlement Class Representatives") a service award in the amount of \$5,000 each.

By the Court's Preliminary Approval Order, dated January 16, 2024 (see ECF No. 30), this Court preliminarily approved the Settlement, conditionally certified the Settlement Class, and directed that the notice be sent to Settlement Class Members informing them of the terms of the Settlement and their rights with respect thereto. As set forth in the Joint Declaration of Randall Pulliam and Lynn Toops and the Declaration of Karen Rogan Re: Notice Procedures ("Rogan Declaration"), being filed concurrently herewith, Class Counsel complied with the Preliminary Approval Order, including notice to Settlement Class Members that Counsel would be seeking an award of attorneys' fees of one-third of the Settlement, reimbursement of out-of-pocket litigation expenses, as well as service awards to the Class Representatives of \$5,000 each, and, to date, not one Settlement Class Member has objected. See Rogan Declaration at ¶ 17 and Exs. C and D.

Being filed contemporaneously herewith are Plaintiffs' Memorandum of Law in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Award of Attorneys' Fees, Litigation Costs, and Service Awards; the aforementioned declarations; and the Declaration of Brian T. Fitzpatrick. For the reasons set forth in the aforementioned papers, Class Counsel respectfully request that this Court award attorneys' fees of \$1,500,000, or one-third of the gross Settlement proceeds; reimbursement of litigation expenses in the amount of \$27,766.64; and a service award to each Class Representative in the amount of \$5,000.

Dated: March 3, 2025 Respectfully submitted,

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