

1. I am a member of the bar of the State of California and am admitted to practice
before the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. I am a partner at
Stubbs Alderton & Markiles, LLP ("SAM"). The facts herein are, unless otherwise stated, based
upon personal knowledge, and if called upon to do so, I could, and would testify to their truth
under oath. I submit this declaration in support of SAM's Reply in support of its Motion to
Withdraw as Counsel for PersonalWeb Technologies, LLC (the "Motion").

- 2. I have read the opposition papers filed by Amazon.com, Inc., Amazon Web Services, Inc. and Twitch Interactive, Inc. to the Motion ("Opposition"). As the lead counsel responsible for the prosecution of my client PersonalWeb's claims in the underlying litigation, I take the aspersions and innuendo contained in the Opposition quite seriously.
- 3. I have been practicing as a California-licensed attorney continuously, since 1980. Throughout my career I have handled many highly contentious and high-stakes matters, in the last 20+ years most of them in a first-chair capacity. I have never been subject to Court discipline or sanctions, and neither have any of the law firms I have practiced with as a result of any conduct of mine, or the litigation teams I have been a member of.
- 4. The decision of Stubbs Alderton & Markiles, LLP ("SAM") to seek to be relieved as counsel of record upon receipt of Mr. Richards' e-mail of late April, was mine. The decision that SAM should withdraw (and following the colloquy at the May 13, Case Management Conference) to attempt to substitute PersonalWeb in *pro per*, was mine. In no way, shape or form did I make these decisions to withdraw for any of the motives ascribed to SAM in the Opposition including to in any way prejudice Amazon or to coordinate in any fashion with any receivership, and I resent the contrary assertions/implications.

Executed this 15th day of June 2021, in San Anselmo, California.

By: <u>/s/ Michael A. Sherman</u>
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