## **EXHIBIT 4**

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
                     EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
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                         ALEXANDRIA DIVISION
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     ALTRIA CLIENT SERVICES, LLC: Civil Action No.:
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     et al.,
                                : 1:20-cv-393
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                 Plaintiffs,
                                  Friday, June 3, 2022
          versus
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     RAI STRATEGIC HOLDINGS,
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     INC., et al.,
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                Defendants.
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             The above-entitled status conference was heard
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     before the Honorable Leonie M. Brinkema, United States
     District Judge. This proceeding commenced at 11:02 a.m.
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MR. MOLSTER: I apologize for that, Your Honor. 1 2 THE COURT: No, that's not your fault. I'm just 3 saying the transcript is not very clear. I want to make 4 sure -- because this obviously is a significant case, and I 5 want to make sure that the record is fully established. 6 So what we discussed yesterday was, among other 7 things, the fact that I would be taking this trial, but I 8 was sensitive to the fact that it might be -- that you 9 all -- and you had to agree to this, that if all the parties 10 involved were concerned about having a different judge try 11 the case, that I would then let you know that Judge O'Grady 12 would not be available to try this case until August 15. 13 My understanding from email communications is that the -- Mr. Grant, you and your client do not want the trial 14 15 date changed, you want to get it done. 16 That's correct. MR. GRANT: 17 THE COURT: All right. And I understand, 18 Mr. Molster, that your client is objecting. 19 Now, there has not been an agreement to go to the 20 August time, and I also understand that, you know, 21 Judge O'Grady did address earlier requests, Mr. Molster, by 22 your client, to have the trial put off later. He denied 2.3 that. And, as I've said, I'm not going to upset any of his 2.4 rulings. And so the law of the case, in my view, is it's 25 going to go forward next week over your objection; all 4



1	bit about them yesterday. I'm going to make sure that he's		
2	comfortable with the draft order. I've looked at it, I've		
3	suggested one change to it. And if he authorizes me to, I'm		
4	going to sign it so that you have it just for the record so		
5	you just don't have the transcript. All right.		
6	So is there anything else that we need to address		
7	right now?		
8	MR. GRANT: Just one thing, Your Honor. Since		
9	you're communicating with Judge O'Grady and his staff, I		
10	would ask that on behalf of both parties you send our best		
11	wishes for a speedy recovery.		
12	THE COURT: Thank you. Thank you.		
13	MR. MOLSTER: Ditto, Your Honor. Thank you very		
14	much.		
15	THE COURT: All right. Very good. I'll recess		
16	court. You all stay and work with my staff so the logistics		
17	are finished.		
18	(Proceedings adjourned at 11:35 a.m.)		
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20	I certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate		
21	transcription of my stenographic notes.		
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23	Stephanie Austin		
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