

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

MICHAEL V. LAURATO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SUSAN DeMICHELLE,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 11-09972CA21

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

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**DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO APPEAR TELEPHONICALLY**

Defendant Susan DeMichelle, a pro se, nonlawyer, California Court Reporter, moves this Honorable Court to appear telephonically for the hearing July 12, 2011, 8:30 AM and states:

1. Defendant is a pro se, nonlawyer litigant, and the owner for 36 years of DeMichelle Deposition Reporters, a Fairfield California company.
2. Plaintiff Michael Laurato is a former client who did not pay his bill. For the past four (4) years Defendant has sought to collect payment through the courts at great personal and financial expense. Plaintiff Laurato is engaged in unlawful and unethical tactics to delay the litigation and increase the cost of litigation to make Defendant drop the case against him. Plaintiff's strategy has pushed Defendant to the point of bankruptcy and she can no longer afford cross-country counsel and travel.
3. A hearing is set in this case for July 12, 2011 at 8:30 AM. Defendant cannot appear personally due to the expense of cross-country travel, and the demands of operating a business. Defendant can no longer afford to hire private counsel to represent her at the hearing. Defendant is able to appear telephonically for the hearing.

WHEREFORE, Defendant moves for permission to appear telephonically at the hearing set for July 12, 2011 at 8:30 AM in this case.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 6th day of July, 2011.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was provided by UPS to Howard J. Levine, Esq., 1560 Lenox Ave., Suite 307, Miami Beach, FL 33139, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2011.

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SUSAN DeMICHELLE