

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re DHB INDUSTRIES, INC. CLASS
ACTION LITIGATION

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: Civil Action No. CV 05-4296(JS)(ETB)

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: CLASS ACTION

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In re DHB INDUSTRIES, INC. DERIVATIVE:
LITIGATION

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STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

This Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement (the "Stipulation"), dated as of November 30, 2006, is made and entered into pursuant to Rules 23 and 23.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and contains the terms of a settlement (the "Settlement"), initially outlined in a Memorandum of Understanding, dated as of July 12, 2006 ("MOU"), (a) by and among the Class Defendants (as defined below in Section IV, ¶1 as are other capitalized terms herein, except as otherwise noted) and the Class Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and Members of the Class in connection with *In re DHB Industries, Inc. Sec. Litig.*, No. CV 05-4296(JS)(ETB) (the "Class Action"), pending in the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York (the "Court"); and (b) by and among the Derivative Defendants and the Derivative Plaintiff, derivatively and on behalf of DHB Industries, Inc. ("DHB" or the "Company"), in connection with *In re DHB Industries, Inc. Derivative Litigation*, No. CV 05-4345(JS)(ETB) (the "Derivative Action") pending in the Court (collectively, the "Actions").

This Stipulation is intended by the Class Plaintiffs, the Derivative Plaintiff and the Defendants to fully, finally and forever resolve, discharge and settle the Released Class Claims against the Released Class Persons and the Released Derivative Claims against the Released Derivative Persons, but not the Non-Released Claims, upon and subject to the terms and conditions hereof and subject to the approval of the Court.

I. THE CLASS ACTIONS AND THE DERIVATIVE ACTIONS

On and after September 9, 2005, multiple actions were filed in the Court as class actions on behalf of persons who purchased or otherwise acquired certain of the publicly traded shares of DHB alleging violations of §§10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. §§78(j)(b) and 78(t)). On January 31, 2006, the Court consolidated the class actions as *In re DHB Industries, Inc. Sec. Litig.*, No. CV 05-4296(JS)(ETB) and appointed RS Holdings, NECA-IBEW Pension Fund (the "Decatur Group") and George Baciu as Lead Plaintiffs (the "Lead Plaintiffs" or

the "Class Plaintiffs") and, pursuant to provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "PSLRA"), approved the Class Plaintiffs' choice of Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP and Labaton Sucharow & Rudoff LLP as Lead Counsel.

On and after September 14, 2005, multiple actions were filed in the Court as derivative actions on behalf of DHB. The complaints in the derivative actions generally allege causes of action for breach of fiduciary duty, abuse of control, gross mismanagement, waste of corporate assets, and unjust enrichment. On January 31, 2006, the Court consolidated the derivative actions filed as *In re DHB Industries, Inc. Derivative Litigation*, No. CV 05-4345(JS)(ETB) and appointed Robbins Umeda & Fink, LLP and Law Offices of Thomas G. Amon as Co-Lead Counsel.

II. DEFENDANTS' DENIALS OF WRONGDOING AND LIABILITY

The Defendants have denied and continue to deny each and all of the claims and contentions alleged by the Class Plaintiffs and the Derivative Plaintiff (collectively the "Plaintiffs") in the Actions. The Defendants expressly have denied and continue to deny all charges of wrongdoing or liability against them or any of them arising out of any of the conduct, statements, acts or omissions alleged, or that could have been alleged, in the Actions, or either of them. The Defendants also have denied and continue to deny, *inter alia*, the allegations that the Plaintiffs, the Class Members or DHB have suffered damage, that the price of DHB's common stock was artificially inflated by reason of any alleged misrepresentations, non-disclosures or otherwise, or that the Plaintiffs, the Class Members or DHB were harmed by any of the conduct alleged in the Actions or that could have been alleged therein, or either of them.

Nonetheless, the Defendants have concluded that further conduct of the Actions would be protracted, expensive, and distracting, including, without limitation, to DHB and its management, and that it is desirable that the Actions be fully and finally settled in the manner and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation. The Defendants also have taken into account the

uncertainty and risks inherent in any litigation, especially in complex cases like the Actions. The Defendants have, therefore, determined that it is desirable that the Actions be settled in the manner and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation.

Neither this Stipulation nor any document referred to herein nor any action taken to carry out this Stipulation is, may be construed as or may be used as an admission by or against the Defendants, or any of them, of any fault, wrongdoing or liability whatsoever. Entering into or carrying out this Stipulation (or the Exhibits hereto) and any negotiations or proceedings related thereto shall not in any event be construed as, or be deemed to be evidence of, any admission or concession with regard to any of Plaintiffs' claims, or contrary to any of Defendants' denials and defenses, and shall not be offered by any of the Settling Parties, Class Members or Current DHB Shareholders in any action or proceeding in any court, administrative agency or other tribunal for any purpose whatsoever other than to enforce the provisions of this Stipulation (and the Exhibits hereto) or the provisions of any related agreement or release; except that this Stipulation and the Exhibits hereto may be filed in any of the Actions or related litigation, as evidence of the Settlement, or in any subsequent action against or by the Defendants or the Released Persons or any of them to support a claim or defense of *res judicata*, collateral estoppel, release or other theory of claim or issue preclusion or similar defense.

III. CLAIMS OF THE CLASS PLAINTIFFS AND THE DERIVATIVE PLAINTIFF AND BENEFITS OF SETTLEMENT

The Plaintiffs believe that the claims asserted in the Actions have merit. However, counsel for the Plaintiffs recognize and acknowledge the expense and length of continued proceedings necessary to prosecute the Actions against the Defendants through trial and appeal. Counsel for the Plaintiffs also have taken into account the uncertain outcome and the risk of any litigation, especially in complex actions such as the Actions, as well as the difficulties and delays inherent in such litigation. Counsel for the Plaintiffs also are mindful of the inherent problems of proof of, and

possible defenses to, the violations asserted in the Actions. Counsel for the Plaintiffs believe that the Settlement set forth in this Stipulation confers substantial benefits upon and is in the best interests of the Class and each of the Members of the Class. Counsel for the Derivative Plaintiff believe that the Settlement set forth in this Stipulation confers substantial benefits upon, and is also in the best interests of, DHB and the Current DHB Shareholders.

IV. TERMS OF STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among the Class Plaintiffs (for themselves and the Class Members), the Derivative Plaintiff (derivatively on behalf of DHB), and the Defendants, by and through their respective counsel or attorneys of record, that, subject to the approval of the Court, the Actions and the Released Claims shall be finally and fully compromised, settled and released, and the Actions shall be dismissed with prejudice, upon and subject to the terms and conditions of this Stipulation, as follows:

1. Definitions

As used in this Stipulation the following terms have the meanings specified below:

1.1 "Authorized Claimant" means any Class Member whose claim for recovery has been allowed pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation.

1.2 "Claimant" means any Class Member who submits a Proof of Claim and Release in such form and manner, and within such time, as the Court shall prescribe.

1.3 "Claims" means any and all claims, demands, rights, liabilities, damages and causes of action of every nature and description whatsoever, known or unknown, whether or not concealed or hidden, including, without limitation, "Unknown Claims" (as defined below) and claims for negligence, gross negligence, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of duty of care, breach of duty of loyalty, waste, insider trading, unjust enrichment, abuse of control, mismanagement, fraud, and violations of any local, state or federal statutes, rules, regulations or common law.

1.4 "Claims Administrator" means the firm of Gilardi & Co. LLC, P.O. Box 5100, Larkspur, CA 94977-5100, Telephone: 1-800-654-5763, www.gilardi.com.

1.5 "Class" means all Persons who purchased or otherwise acquired (including by exchange, conversion or otherwise) the publicly traded securities of DHB (including puts, calls and other securities) on or after November 18, 2003 until and including November 30, 2006, and were allegedly damaged thereby. Excluded from the Class are the Defendants and Persons related to the Defendants, including any subsidiaries or affiliates of DHB; the officers and directors of DHB during the Class Period; members of the individual Defendants' immediate families; any person, firm, trust, officer, director or any individual or entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest or which is related to, or affiliated with, any of the Defendants; and the legal representatives, agents, affiliates, heirs, successors in interest or assigns of any such excluded person or entity. Also excluded from the Class are those Persons who timely and validly request to be excluded from the Class pursuant to the "Notice of Pendency and Settlement of Class Action" to be sent to Class Members.

1.6 "Class Defendants" means DHB, David H. Brooks, Terry Brooks, David Brooks International Inc., Andrew Brooks Industries Inc. (sued as Andrew Brooks International Inc.), Elizabeth Brooks Industries Inc. (sued as Elizabeth Brooks International Inc.), Sandra Hatfield, Dawn M. Schlegel, Cary Chasin, Jerome Krantz, Gary Nadelman and Barry Berkman.

1.7 "Class Member" or "Member of the Class" means a Person who falls within the definition of the Class as set forth in ¶1.5 of this Section of this Stipulation.

1.8 "Class Period" means the period commencing on November 18, 2003 through and including November 30, 2006.

1.9 “Class Plaintiffs’ Counsel” means Keith F. Park, Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP, 655 W. Broadway, Suite 1900, San Diego, CA 92101, Samuel H. Rudman, Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP, 58 South Service Road, Suite 200, Melville, NY 11747, and Lynda J. Grant, Labaton Sucharow & Rudoff LLP, 100 Park Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10017.

1.10 “Current DHB Shareholders” means any Person(s) who owned DHB common stock as of the date hereof.

1.11 “Defendants” means the Class Defendants and Derivative Defendants.

1.12 “Derivative Counsel” means Brian Robbins, Robbins Umeda & Fink, LLP, 610 West Ash Street, Suite 1800, San Diego, CA 92101 and Thomas G. Amon, Law Offices of Thomas G. Amon, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1650, New York, NY 10110.

1.13 “Derivative Defendants” means nominal defendant DHB, David H. Brooks, Sandra Hatfield, Dawn M. Schlegel, Jerome Krantz, Gary Nadelman, Cary Chasin, Barry Berkman, Larry Ellis, Tactical Armor Products, Inc., David Brooks International Inc., Andrew Brooks Industries Inc. (sued as Andrew Brooks International Inc.), Elizabeth Brooks Industries Inc. (sued as Elizabeth Brooks International Inc.), Terry Brooks and Jeffrey Brooks.

1.14 “Derivative Plaintiff” means Alvin Viray.

1.15 “Effective Date” means the first date by which all of the events and conditions specified in ¶7.1 of this Section of this Stipulation shall have been met and have occurred, unless one or more of such conditions is waived or modified in writing and signed by Class Plaintiffs’ Counsel, Derivative Counsel, and counsel for each of the Defendants.

1.16 “Escrow Agent” means Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP. Further terms relating to the Escrow Agent are contained in a certain Escrow Agreement dated as of

July 27, 2006 (the "Escrow Agreement"). A copy of the Escrow Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

1.17 "Final" means: (a) the date of final affirmance on an appeal of the Judgments, the expiration of the time for a petition for or a denial of a writ of certiorari to review the Judgments and, if certiorari is granted, the date of final affirmance of the Judgments following review pursuant to that grant; or (b) the date of final dismissal of any appeal from the Judgments or the final dismissal of any proceeding on certiorari to review the Judgments; or (c) if no appeal is filed, the expiration date of the applicable time for the filing or noticing of any appeal from the Judgments. Any proceeding or order, or any appeal or petition for a writ of certiorari, pertaining solely to any Plan of Allocation and/or application for or award of attorneys' fees or expenses, shall not in any way delay or preclude the Judgments from becoming Final.

1.18 "Judgments" means the final judgments to be rendered by the Court in the Actions, substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibits D and E.

1.19 "Non-Released Claims" means all of DHB's obligations to David H. Brooks and to all of the other Defendants to whom DHB has indemnification obligations, of and for indemnification and reimbursement for fees, expenses and liabilities, as provided for in DHB's Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, in the laws of Delaware, and in this Stipulation, as the latter is approved by the Court, all of which shall remain in full force and effect, and David H. Brooks' undertaking to DHB, regarding his indemnification by DHB, and the undertakings of the other Defendants to whom DHB has indemnification obligations, shall also remain in full force and effect. "Non-Released Claims" shall also include any and all obligations of any Defendant to any other Defendant under any existing contract or agreement between or among them, including, without limitation, any agreement entered into in connection with the Settlement.

1.20 "Person" means an individual, corporation, limited liability corporation, professional corporation, limited liability partnership, partnership, limited partnership, association, joint stock company, joint venture, estate, legal representative, trust, unincorporated association, government or any political subdivision or agency thereof, and any business or legal entity and their spouses, heirs, predecessors, successors, representatives, and assignees.

1.21 "Plaintiffs' Counsel" means counsel who have appeared for any of the Plaintiffs in the Actions.

1.22 "Plan of Allocation" means a plan or formula or formulae of allocation of the Settlement Fund (to be described in the notice to be sent to Class Members), whereby the Settlement Fund, plus interest earned thereon, shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants after the payment of the expenses of notice and administration of the Settlement, Taxes and Tax Expenses and such attorneys' fees, expenses and interest and amounts to the Lead Plaintiffs as may be awarded by the Court. The Plan of Allocation is not part of this Stipulation and Defendants shall have no responsibility or liability with respect thereto.

1.23 "Related Persons" means each of a Defendant's present and former parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, joint ventures, joint venturers, and his, her or its present and former officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, attorneys, insurers, excess insurers, advisors, investment advisors, auditors, accountants, spouses and immediate family members, and the predecessors, heirs, successors and assigns of any of them, and any Person in which any Related Person has or had a controlling interest or which is or was related to or affiliated with any Related Person, and any trust of which any Defendant is the settler or which is for the benefit of any Defendant and/or a member(s) of a Defendant's family. Stockbrokers in their capacity as such are excluded from this definition.

1.24 “Released Claims” means, collectively, the Released Class Claims and the Released Derivative Claims, as defined below.

1.25 “Released Class Claims” means any and all Claims arising from either the purchase or other acquisition (including by an exchange, conversion or otherwise) of any publicly-traded securities of DHB, including, without limitation, put and call options thereon, during the Class Period and based on any facts, transactions, events, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, omissions or failures to act that were or could have been asserted by the Lead Plaintiffs or any Class Member in the Class Action, in a direct, indirect, representative, derivative or other capacity against the Released Class Persons, or any of them.

1.26 “Released Class Persons” means the Class Defendants and each of them, and each of their respective Related Persons in their capacities as such.

1.27 “Released Derivative Claims” means any and all Claims based on any facts, transactions, events, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, omissions or failures to act that were or could have been asserted by the Derivative Plaintiff on behalf of DHB, or by DHB on its own behalf, or by any Current DHB Shareholder in the Derivative Action, in a direct, indirect, representative, derivative or other capacity against the Released Derivative Persons, or any of them. In addition, Released Derivative Claims includes, without limitation, a release by DHB of David H. Brooks and Dawn M. Schlegel, and each of them, from any and all liability under §304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 to reimburse DHB for any bonus or other incentive-based or equity based compensation received by them or either of them, or for any profits realized by them or either of them from the sale of any securities of DHB.

1.28 “Released Derivative Persons” means the Derivative Defendants, and each of them, and each of their respective Related Persons in their capacities as such.

1.29 "Released Persons" means, collectively, the Released Class Persons and the Released Derivative Persons.

1.30 "Settlement Fund" means the principal amount of Thirty-Five Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$35,200,000) plus 3,184,713 shares of DHB common stock.

1.31 "Settling Parties" means, collectively, each of the Defendants, and the Class Plaintiffs and the Derivative Plaintiff on behalf of, respectively, themselves, the Members of the Class, the Current DHB Shareholders, and derivatively on behalf of DHB.

1.32 "Unknown Claims" means any Released Class Claims or any Released Derivative Claims which any Class Plaintiff or Class Member (as to Released Class Claims), and/or the Derivative Plaintiff, any Current DHB Shareholder, or DHB (as to Released Derivative Claims), respectively, does not know of or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release of the Released Class Persons and/or the Released Derivative Persons which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its settlement with, and release of, the Released Class Persons and/or Released Derivative Persons, or might have affected his, her or its decision not to object to this Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Class Claims and Released Derivative Claims, the Settling Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date, the Class Plaintiffs, the Derivative Plaintiff and DHB, and each of the Class Members and the Current DHB Shareholders, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgments shall have, waived the provisions, rights and benefits of California Civil Code §1542, which provides:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

The Class Plaintiffs, the Derivative Plaintiff and DHB, and each of the Class Members and the Current DHB Shareholders, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgments shall have, waived any and all provisions, rights and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of

