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**VIA E-MAIL, FACSIMILE,
AND UPS NEXT DAY AIR**

Holly Hegeman
PlaneBusiness, LLC
108 Golfview Lane
Covington, LA 70433

Re: Demand to Retract Defamatory Statements Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-653.02-03

Dear Ms. Hegeman:

This firm has been retained by Mesa Air Group, Inc. ("Mesa") and Jonathan Ornstein ("Ornstein") to take immediate action to prevent your continued dissemination of defamatory comments regarding Mesa and its officers, including, among others, Ornstein. The following defamatory comments have appeared on your Planebusiness.com and Planebuzz websites, including within your Plane Business Banter e-mail publication ("Publications"), all of which are widely read and disseminated:

- September 25, 2007 statement(s) claiming that Mesa Air and/or its officers engaged in "obstruction of justice" in connection with litigation currently pending in Hawaii state court between Mesa Air and Hawaiian Airlines ("Hawaii Action").
- September 25, 2007 statement(s) calling into question the intelligence and business capacity of Mesa Air's officers.
- September 25, 2007 statements(s) claiming that Mesa Air's Chief Executive Officer, Jonathan Ornstein, owned a "gentleman's club" in Phoenix, Arizona.
- September 26, 2007 statements(s) that Mesa Air bribed its Chief Financial Officer, Peter Murnane, to become the "Sacrificial Lamb" in the Hawaii Action, including suggestions that Mesa Air paid Mr. Murnane to take responsibility for the purported destruction of evidence in connection with the Hawaii Action and that Mr. Murnane is "taking the rap" for the purported destruction of evidence so that Mesa Air could avoid liability for a "bigger offense" and keep its "skeletons" hidden in the closet.
- September 27, 2007 statement(s) that Mesa Air had violated Sarbanes-Oxley disclosure requirements by not disclosing the purported destruction of evidence in connection with the Hawaii Action.



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- October 3, 2007 statement(s) calling into question the intelligence and business capacity of Mesa Air's officers, including allegations that Mr. Murnane is the "Idiot of the Year" and allegations that Mr. Ornstein should be awarded a "(Mis) Management Award."

This letter represents your final opportunity to publish a full retraction for each of the above-referenced defamatory statements. We expect you to publish the retractions in each of your Publications by no later than the close of business on October 19, 2007. Absent your full compliance, we will immediately file a complaint against you in Arizona state court seeking injunctive and monetary relief, including attorneys' fees and costs. A copy of the complaint is enclosed for your review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cynthia A. Ricketts', enclosed within a large, circular scribble.

Cynthia A. Ricketts

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