1.12 GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR STANDARD CHARGE (Approved 11/98; Revised 09/2022)

P. No Prejudice, Passion, Bias or Sympathy

Your oath as jurors requires you to decide this case fairly and impartially, without sympathy, passion, bias or prejudice. You are to decide this case based solely upon the evidence that you find believable and in accordance with the rules of law that I give you.

As jurors, it is your duty to weigh the evidence calmly and without passion, prejudice or sympathy. Any influence caused by these emotions has the potential to deprive both the plaintiff(s) and the defendant(s) of what you promised them -- a fair and impartial trial by fair and impartial jurors. Also, speculation, conjecture and other forms of guessing play no role in the performance of your duty. As jurors, your oath requires that you not be affected or influenced by any personal likes or dislikes, opinions, prejudices, sympathy, or biases, including implicit, or unconscious, bias. During your deliberations if you think unconscious bias is affecting your evaluation, think about the evidence again with the video and this instruction in mind.

(Sympathy is an emotion which is normal for human beings. No one can be critical of you for feeling some degree of sympathy in this matter. However, that

sympathy must play no part in your thinking and in the decision you reach in the jury room.)

(Similarly, your decision must not be based upon bias or prejudice which you might have developed during the trial, for or against any party.)

(Your duty is to decide this case impartially and a decision based on sympathy, passion, bias or prejudice would violate that duty.)