### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA OP 23-0089

### VIRGINIA WARD,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

## SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA,

Defendant-Appellee.

On Certified Question from the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Cause No. 21-35757

# STIPULATION FOR DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE OF CERTIFIED QUESTION

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COMES NOW Virginia Ward, Plaintiff-Appellant and Safeco Insurance Company of America, Defendant-Appellee, by and through their respective counsel of record, and hereby stipulate and agree to dismiss this matter with prejudice for the reason that the matter has settled on its merits with each party to bear their own costs and attorney's fees.

DATED this 6th day of March, 2023

/<u>s/ Brooke B. Murphy</u>
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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on the 6th day of March, 2023, a true and correct copy of foregoing was sent via electronic mail to the following:

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I, Brooke B. Murphy, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Motion - Stipulated Motion to Dismiss to the following on 03-06-2023:

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