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**Robert C. Wilson
J.S.C.**

JOHN P. THOMSEN and KAREN M.
THOMSEN,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

SUBMARINE MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION,
LOUISVILLE NAVAL MUSEUM, INC.,
XYZ CORPORATIONS 1-10, ABC TRUSTS
1-10,

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY

Docket No.: BER-L-3747-21

Civil Action

FINAL JUDGMENT

THIS MATTER having been opened to the Court by the Gaeta Law Firm, LLC (William A. Friedman, Esq., appearing), on behalf of Plaintiffs, John P. Thomsen and Karen M. Thomsen, on notice to the Defendant, Louisville Naval Museum, Inc., by way of a motion for an Order striking the Defendant's Answer with prejudice and scheduling a proof hearing so as to allow for the entry of Final Judgment against the Louisville Naval Museum, Inc., with Defendant Submarine Memorial Association having been administratively dismissed by way of an Order dated June 24, 2022 issued pursuant to R. 1:13-7 and R. 4:43-2; and the Court having scheduled a Proof Hearing (via Zoom), on notice to all parties on July 27, 2022, with counsel for the Plaintiffs (Mr. Friedman) appearing, and Defendant Louisville Naval Museum, Inc. not appearing; and the Court having conducted the Proof Hearing, having heard the testimony of the Plaintiffs and considered the exhibits presented in connection therewith;

AND THE COURT HAVING FOUND that Plaintiff John P. Thomsen suffered severe injuries resulting in great physical and emotional pain and suffering and incurred significant medical expenses as a result of the Defendants' negligence as set forth in the First Count of the Complaint;

AND THE COURT HAVING FOUND that Plaintiff Karen M. Thomsen, as a result of her husband's injuries, sustained the loss of his services, society, and consortium as a result of the Defendants' negligence as set forth in the Second Count of the Complaint; and for good cause shown;

IT IS on this 15th day of August, 2022,

ORDERED, DECREED, and ADJUDGED that the Court awards Final Judgment, in favor of the Plaintiffs and against the Defendant, Louisville Naval Museum, Inc., in the amount of \$468,585.94, apportioned as follows:

1. \$350,000.00 is awarded to Plaintiff John P. Thomsen as compensation for his physical and emotional pain and suffering;
2. \$21,880.55 is awarded to Plaintiff John P. Thomsen as compensation for the subrogated medical expenses claim asserted against him;
3. \$10,294.77 is awarded to Plaintiff John P. Thomsen as compensation for his unpaid medical expenses;
4. \$1,410.62 is awarded to Plaintiff John P. Thomsen as compensation for his paid medical expenses; and
5. \$85,000.00 is awarded to Plaintiff Karen M. Thomsen as compensation for the loss of the services, society, and consortium of her husband, John P. Thomsen.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Defendant, Submarine Memorial Association, is dismissed with prejudice and this Judgment is certified as final as to all claims and all parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that service of this Final Judgment shall be deemed effectuated on all parties on its entry via eCourts, except that counsel for the Plaintiffs shall serve a copy of this Final Judgment on Defendant Louisville Naval Museum, Inc. pursuant to the Court Rules within five (5) days of the date of entry.



HON. ROBERT C. WILSON, J.S.C.