

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE 36TH DISTRICT COURT

Case No.: 22-192406-GC
HON. DONALD COLEMAN

VELOCITY INVESTMENTS, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

ROBIN OSBORNE,

Defendant.

VIRTUAL ZOOM
DEPOSITION OF: ALIA RIVERA

DATE: Monday, June 5, 2023

TIME: 1:00 p.m. - 2:18 p.m.

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3 THE COURT REPORTER: Would you raise your
4 right hand, please?

5 THE WITNESS: (Witness complies.)

6 THE COURT REPORTER: Do you swear or
7 affirm the testimony you're about to give will
8 be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
9 the truth, so help you God?

10 THE WITNESS: I do.

11 MR. PARKER: Hi, Brian Parker here. This
12 deposition is being given under the auspices of
13 the Michigan Rules of Evidence.14 **ALIA RIVERA,**15 after having been first duly sworn, testified as
16 follows:17 **DIRECT EXAMINATION**

18 BY MR. PARKER:

19 Q. For the record, could you say and spell
20 your name, please?

21 A. Alia Rivera, A-L-I-A R-I-V-E-R-A.

22 Q. Thank you.

23 And have you ever given your deposition
24 before in the last two years?

25 A. No.

1 Q. Last four years?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Last five years?

4 A. No.

5 Q. Who do you currently work for?

6 A. Velocity Investments, LLC.

7 Q. And when you say you work for Velocity
8 Investments, what is your job there?

9 A. Compliance associate.

10 Q. Is there a compliance person that you're
11 an associate to?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And what is that person's name?

14 A. Deanna Sgro.

15 Q. Could you spell that last name, if you
16 know?

17 A. S-G-R-O.

18 Q. S-G-R-O. How do you pronounce it?

19 A. I think it's Sgro.

20 Q. How long have you been with Velocity
21 Investments?

22 A. Almost five years.

23 Q. And when you say you're with Velocity
24 Investments, is that actually who you're employed by
25 or is there another name company? Meaning if you

1 were to look at your paycheck, is it Velocity
2 Investments or is there another company?

3 A. Velocity Portfolio Group.

4 Q. That's it.

5 So you don't work for Velocity
6 Investments; is that correct?

7 A. I do. Velocity Portfolio Group is the
8 parent company.

9 Q. Velocity -- what's it called?

10 A. Portfolio Group.

11 Q. Portfolio Group.

12 And is that an LLC or anything like that,
13 if you recall?

14 A. I believe so.

15 Q. And that's the company that signs your
16 paycheck?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. And who is your boss? Is it Sgro?

19 A. Deanna, yes.

20 Q. Okay. And does she work for Velocity
21 Investments or does she work for Velocity Portfolio
22 Group, LLC, if you know?

23 A. Velocity Investments.

24 Q. All right. How is it she works for
25 Investments and you work for Portfolio Group?