

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
WESTERN DIVISION**

No. 5:16-cv-00926-FL

KENNY TRIPLETT, individually and on)
behalf of others similarly situated,)
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Plaintiff,)
)
vs.)
)
ROOMS TO GO NORTH CAROLINA)
CORP., D/B/A ROOMS TO GO, R.T.G.)
FURNITURE CORP., D/B/A ROOMS TO)
GO, RTG AMERICA, LLC, THE JEFFREY)
SEAMAN 2009 ANNUITY TRUST, AND)
RETAIL MANAGEMENT SERVICES CORP.)
)
Defendants.)
_____)

JOINT REPORT REGARDING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

On July 20, 2017, the undersigned counsel notified the court that they had submitted a motion seeking preliminary approval of a class settlement agreement to Judge James Cohn of the United States District Court for Southern District of Florida (the “*Hankinson* class settlement agreement”). On August 4, 2017, Judge Cohn preliminarily approved the *Hankinson* class settlement agreement, and scheduled a fairness hearing for December 15, 2017. *See Hankinson, et al. v. R.T.G. Furniture Corp. d/b/a Rooms to Go*, Case No. 9:15-cv-81139, ECF No. 204 (S.D. Fla. Aug. 4, 2017). The parties will promptly notify this Court regarding whether Judge Cohn provides final approval for the *Hankinson* class settlement agreement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on August 9, 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by transmission of Notice of Electronic Filing generated by CM/ECF on all counsel or parties of record.

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