## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA JACKSONVILLE DIVISION

AETNA HEALTH INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CASE NO.: 3:24-CV-01343-BJD-LLL

RADIOLOGY PARTNERS, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

## **DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY**

Defendants Radiology Partners, Inc. and Mori, Bean, and Brooks, Inc. submit this notice of supplemental authority pursuant to Local Rule 3.01(i).

Guardian Flight, L.L.C., et al. v. Health Care Serv. Corp., 140 F.4th 271 (5th Cir. 2025) supplements Defendants' Motion to Dismiss [ECF No. 27] at p. 22, ¶ 1, line 1 to p. 23, ¶ 2, line 11: "In sum, [plaintiff's] enforcement action depends on the availability of a private right of action not present in the NSA. As a result, the NSA's plain text bars this suit. We will not find an implied right of action where Congress expressly forecloses it." *Id.* at 276. And it supplements p. 16, ¶ 2, line 1 to p. 19, ¶ 1, line 3: "CMS maintains an online portal through which providers may submit complaints regarding the IDR process." *Id.* at 277.

Guardian Flight, LLC v. Aetna Health Inc., 711 F. Supp. 3d 662 (S.D. Tex. 2024), cited at p. 23, ¶ 3, line 4 of Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, was aff'd in part, rev'd in part and remanded sub nom. by Guardian Flight, L.L.C. v. Med. Evaluators

of Texas ASO, L.L.C., et al., 140 F.4th 613 (5th Cir. 2025). The Fifth Circuit decision supplements the arguments on p. 23, ¶ 3, line 1 to p. 25, ¶ 1, line 5: "Because the NSA explicitly incorporates the FAA provisions, we interpret 'fraud or undue means' to have the same meaning in the NSA as in the FAA. Under the FAA, '[f]raud requires a showing of bad faith during the arbitration proceedings, such as bribery, undisclosed bias of an arbitrator, or willfully destroying or withholding evidence." Id. at 620 (citations omitted). "[B]ecause Providers have not 'state[d] with particularity the circumstances constituting fraud' to trigger review under the pertinent provision of the NSA, see FED. R. CIV. P. 9(b), the district court did not err in dismissing their claims." *Id.* at 622.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of July, 2025.

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