

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

KAREN STIWINTER, *et al.*,
individually and on behalf of all others
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ASHEVILLE ARTHRITIS AND
OSTEOPOROSIS CENTER P.A.,

Defendant.

Case No.: 24-CVS-208570-100

Hon. Judge Michael L. Robinson

**PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY
APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT**

Plaintiffs Karen Stiwinter and Patricia Norman (“Plaintiffs”), individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, have reached a settlement with Defendant Asheville Arthritis and Osteoporosis Center, P.A. (“Defendant”). Plaintiffs now move for preliminary approval of a proposed class action settlement, certification of the Settlement Class for purposes of the proposed settlement, appointment of Tyler J. Bean of Siri & Glimstad LLP and Kenneth Grunfeld of Kopelowitz Ostrow P.A. as Class Counsel, an order directing that notice of the proposed settlement be sent to the Settlement Class, and the scheduling of a final approval hearing on the proposed settlement. Defendant does not oppose the relief sought in this motion. But by not opposing the relief, Defendant does not join or necessarily stipulate to any of the statements made in support of the relief sought in this motion.

Plaintiffs support this motion with a memorandum and exhibits filed contemporaneously with this motion, and such other written or oral arguments as are permitted or requested by the Court.

Dated: September 22, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing has been served on all counsel of record in accordance with Business Court Rule 3.9 through electronic filing with the North Carolina Business Court.

This the 22nd day of September, 2025.

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