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Campaign Statement

The settlement planning industry has changed dramatically since I became active in the community in 2003. Today, cases are more complex than ever before and claimants need someone to help them understand and plan for those life needs. It has been my goal for the past 14 years to advance the use of structured settlement annuities by being in front of more plaintiffs to help them understand their value. At the same time, the claims process requires constant attention to make sure claims-paying entities understand and embrace the use of structured settlements. If elected as a board member, I would work to bring both professional perspectives closer together to improve and increase the use of structured settlements across the board.

NSSTA takes a stand in support of the structured settlement industry, which I recognize helps protect the ability of injured claimants to maintain their potential to structure their settlement recovery, as well as educating industry participants on evolving settlement planning issues and fostering a professional and competent membership base serving those in need. I want to build on the foundation that NSSTA has put in place to serve all stakeholders and work to bolster comprehensive settlement planning. Preserving an injured person's ability to use periodic payments as a form of settlement planning is a priority for all members and I will work to make sure this is protected.

I have worked in the settlement planning industry since 2003 as one of the founding members of Forge Consulting. I care deeply about the need for our services and the professional character of our industry's members to properly represent a suitable and compliant settlement plan. As an advocate for plaintiffs, I feel my perspective would help NSSTA and our industry at this time.

On a more personal note: I live in Northeast Georgia with my wife, Denise, and our four sons. I have enjoyed working with many of you through the years and I look forward to helping grow our industry. If you elect me, I will work to improve upon the vast body of work that all NSSTA leaders and members have already done, and I will help lead the industry towards an ever brighter future.

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Spooner graduated with Honors from Rutgers University in 1994, where he played football for the Scarlet Knights. After graduation, Spooner worked within a regional engineering and consulting firm located in Atlanta, Georgia specializing in Capital Program Management, Design and Implementation of Roadway, Bridge, and Railway Infrastructure. Specifically, Spooner managed the planning processes required for the implementation of major transportation projects funded by private, local, state and federal dollars. His planning efforts would result in the avoidance and minimization of community and environmental impacts associated with each project.

In 2003 Spooner, with his partners, founded Forge Consulting LLC. Since that time Spooner has applied his planning education and background to his work as a settlement planner, helping plaintiffs and their families understand the available choices that occur

at the time of settlement and the potential results associated with each option. Spooner provides clients with the information they need to put well-designed, diversified plans into place. Spooner is regularly invited to speak at continuing legal education seminars within programs associated with settlement disbursement issues, and is a member of the National Structured Settlement Trade Association's Education Committee.

Spooner and his wife Denise live in Northeast Georgia where they are raising their four sons. He and his family are members of Bethany Baptist Church in Hartwell, Georgia and are also active within their community.

Spooner is a City Council-appointed member of the City of Hartwell Historic Preservation Commission and Denise volunteers for the Hartwell Junior Service League and serves as a local PTO President.



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