

Bird Marella Issues Notice of Filing (NY)

New York – Bird, Marella, Boxer, Wolpert, Nessim, Drooks, Lincenberg & Rhow, P.C. today issued the following notice of filing:

Today executive producers Gale Anne Hurd, David Alpert and Charles Eglee of the television series The Walking Dead, Fear the Walking Dead, and The Talking Dead filed suit in the Supreme Court of the State of New York against AMC Film Holdings and AMC Networks Inc., among other parties, alleging in part:

- (1) Breach of Contract; and
- (2) Inducing Breach of Contract

The complaint can be accessed here:

https://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/fbem/DocumentDisplayServlet?documentId=7HsJUm7EcEZi8j1CbUarYw==&system=prod. The index number is 655380/2017.

Certain plaintiffs in this case along with Robert Kirkman, who created the Walking Dead comic books and acts as an executive producer for the television series, and former executive producer Glen Mazzara, have commenced a parallel California State court lawsuit asserting claims related to Plaintiffs' claims here. In the interests of efficiency and the conservation of judicial resources, the plaintiffs to the New York case filed today have requested that AMC waive their exclusive New York jurisdiction contractual provision and agree that the claims asserted in this action may be asserted in the preceding California action.

In connection with the filing yesterday, Gale Anne Hurd, executive producer, Robert Kirkman, creator of The Walking Dead comic books and executive producer for the television series, and David Alpert, executive producer, issued the following statement:

"While we disagree with AMC on the merits of our lawsuit, we appreciate its statement that it will continue to work with us as partners on the continued success of The Walking Dead, Fear the Walking Dead and The Talking Dead. We also reaffirm our commitment to continue to make the best programs possible."