

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

PAUL LAIDIG, PETER LEWIS, and DEREK
KEMP, as representatives of a class of similarly
situated persons, and on behalf of the VI-JON
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GREATBANC TRUST COMPANY,
BERKSHIRE FUND VI, LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP, JOHN G. BRUNNER, JOHN
G. BRUNNER REVOCABLE TRUST DATED
06-09-1992, JOHN AND JANELL BRUNNER
FAMILY TRUST DATED MAY 27, 2020,
GERALD BOWE, JANE BROCK-WILSON,
GREGORY DELANEY, GERALD
GREIMAN, SHARLYN C. HESLAM,
EDWARD KOLODZIESKI, LAWRENCE J.
LEGRAND, SPENCER MURRAY, RICH
KOULOURIS, KEITH GRYPPE, SCOTT
MEKUS, VJCS HOLDINGS, INC., VI-JON,
INC., and VJ HOLDING CORP.,

Defendants.

Case No. 22 C 1296

Hon. LaShonda A. Hunt


ORDER APPOINTING INDEPENDENT FIDUCIARY

The Settling Parties' Unopposed Motion for Appointment of Independent Fiduciary (Dkt. 302) is granted. Fiduciary Counselors, Inc. is appointed as Independent Fiduciary of the Vi-Jon Employee Stock Ownership Plan for the sole purpose reviewing and, if appropriate, authorizing the proposed Partial Class Action Settlement ("the proposed Settlement") and determining whether the proposed Settlement in this matter satisfies the requirements of Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2003-39, 68 Fed. Reg. 75,632 (Dec. 31, 2003), *as amended*, 75 Fed. Reg. 33,830 (June

15, 2010). Plaintiffs' Counsel is authorized to execute the Independent Fiduciary's engagement letter in a manner consistent with such appointment by the Court.

DATED: May 13, 2025

ENTERED:



LASHONDA A. HUNT
United States District Judge