

DOCKET NO.: NNI-CV-25-6040050-S

SUPERIOR COURT

DAVID T. MORIZIO,
Plaintiff

v.

WILLOW BROOK WELLNESS, LLC
D/B/A VERANO CONNECTICUT, LLC
Defendant

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February 25, 2026

MOTION TO COMPEL ARBITRATION AND TO STAY PROCEEDINGS

Defendant Willow Brook Wellness, LLC d/b/a Verano Connecticut, LLC, by and through its attorneys Jackson Lewis P.C., respectfully submits its Motion to Compel Arbitration and to Stay Proceedings in this case.

In this civil action, Plaintiff David Morizio brings a claim of retaliation against Defendant under the Connecticut Fair Employment Practices Act, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 46a-60 *et seq.* (See Complaint).

The Court should stay this case and compel arbitration because, on or about January 25, 2023, Plaintiff entered into a binding Employment Dispute Resolution Agreement (the “Arbitration Agreement”) in consideration for his employment by Defendant, which provided that the parties mutually agreed to the arbitration of all claims they may have against one another, including the claims set forth in the Complaint in this case.

Additionally, Defendant has presented the Arbitration Agreement to counsel for Plaintiff and inquired as to whether there is any objection to the grant of this motion. Counsel for Plaintiff has indicated that there is no objection. There is thus no dispute that the Arbitration Agreement is binding on both parties, encompasses the specific claims asserted in this action, and

should be enforced by the Court. Defendant is also ready and willing to proceed with arbitration of the claims asserted in this case.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, and those in the attached memorandum of law in support of this motion, Defendant respectfully requests that the Court issue an order staying this action pending the completion of arbitration proceedings.

**DEFENDANT,
WILLOW BROOK WELLNESS, LLC
d/b/a VERANO CONNECTICUT, LLC**

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CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

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