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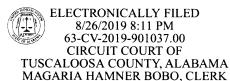
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA MARK REED ADMIN'OR V. TRACKER MARINE RETAIL LLC ET AL		
NOTICE TO: MERCURY MARINE, W6250 PIONEER ROAD P.O. BOX 1939, FOND DU LAC, WI 54936		
(Name and Address of Defendant)		
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You are hereby commanded to serve this Summons and a copy of the Complaint or other document in		
this action upon the above-named Defendant.		
Service by certified mail of this Summons is initiated upon the written request of MARK REED ADMIN'OR		
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ELECTRONICALLY FILED 8/26/2019 8:11 PM 63-CV-2019-901037.00 CIRCUIT COURT OF Car State of Alabama COVER SHEET TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA 63 **Unified Judicial System CIRCUIT COURT - CIVIL CASE** MAGARIA HAMNER BOBO, CLERK (Not For Domestic Relations Cases) Date of Filing: Judge Code: Form ARCiv-93 Rev. 9/18 08/26/2019 GENERAL INFORMATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA MARK REED ADMIN'OR v. TRACKER MARINE RETAIL LLC ET AL First Plaintiff: Business ✓ Individual First Defendant: V Business Individual Other Government Government Other NATURE OF SUIT: Select primary cause of action, by checking box (check only one) that best characterizes your action: TORTS: PERSONAL INJURY OTHER CIVIL FILINGS (cont'd) ▼ WDEA - Wrongful Death MSXX - Birth/Death Certificate Modification/Bond Forfeiture Appeal/ Enforcement of Agency Subpoena/Petition to Preserve TONG - Negligence: General TOMV - Negligence: Motor Vehicle CVRT - Civil Rights TOWA - Wantonness COND - Condemnation/Eminent Domain/Right-of-Way TOPL - Product Liability/AEMLD CTMP - Contempt of Court TOMM - Malpractice-Medical CONT - Contract/Ejectment/Writ of Seizure TOLM - Malpractice-Legal TOCN - Conversion TOOM - Malpractice-Other EQND - Equity Non-Damages Actions/Declaratory Judgment/ injunction Election Contest/Quiet Title/Sale For Division TBFM - Fraud/Bad Faith/Misrepresentation TOXX - Other: CVUD - Eviction Appeal/Unlawful Detainer FORJ - Foreign Judgment TORTS: PERSONAL INJURY FORF - Fruits of Crime Forfeiture TOPE - Personal Property MSHC - Habeas Corpus/Extraordinary Writ/Mandamus/Prohibition TORE - Real Properly PFAB - Protection From Abuse EPFA - Elder Protection From Abuse OTHER CIVIL FILINGS FELA - Railroad/Seaman (FELA) ABAN - Abandoned Automobile RPRO - Real Property ACCT - Account & Nonmortgage WTEG - Will/Trust/Estate/Guardianship/Conservatorship APAA - Administrative Agency Appeal COMP - Workers' Compensation ADPA - Administrative Procedure Act CVXX - Miscellaneous Circuit Civil Case ANPS - Adults in Need of Protective Services A PPEAL FROM ORIGIN: F V INITIAL FILING O OTHER DISTRICT COURT T TRANSFERRED FROM R REMANDED OTHER CIRCUIT COURT Note: Checking "Yes" does not constitute a demand for a YES NO HAS JURY TRIAL BEEN DEMANDED? jury trial. (See Rules 38 and 39, Ala.R.Civ.P. for procedure) RELIEF REQUESTED: MONETARY AWARD REQUESTED NO MONETARY AWARD REQUESTED ATTORNEY CODE: BRO005 8/26/2019 8:11:38 PM /s/ WILLIAM STANLEY BROBSTON Date Signature of Attorney/Party filing this form **MEDIATION REQUESTED:** YES VINO UNDECIDED

Election to Proceed under the Alabama Rules for Expedited Civil Actions:

YES NO



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA

MARK REED, Administrator of the ) Estate and personal representative of MADISON REED, deceased, Plaintiff, CIVIL CASE NO: VS. TRACKER MARINE RETAIL, L.L.C., MERCURY MARINE, BRUNSWICK CORPORATION XYZ, an individual, partnership or corporation, whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, being that individual, partnership or corporation who was the manufacturer of the product or products alleged to be defective in the complaint; ABC, an individual partnership or corporation being) that individual, partnership or corporation who designed the product, or products, or an integral part thereof, alleged to be defective) in the complaint; DEF, an individual, partnership or corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise) unknown, being that individual,) partnership or corporation who created, caused, or contributed ) to the design alleged to be defective in the complaint; GHI, an individual, partnership or corporation whose correct name and legal identity ) are otherwise unknown, being that individual, partnership or )

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corporation who assembled or
contributed to the assembly of
the product, or products alleged)
to be
defective in the complaint;
JKL, an individual, partnership
or corporation whose correct
name and legal identity are
otherwise unknown, being that
individual, partnership or
corporation who distributed the
product, or products,
alleged to be defective
in the complaint; MNO, an
individual Partnership or
corporation whose correct name
and legal identity are otherwise)
unknown, being that individual,
partnership or corporation who
sold the product, or products
alleged to be
defective in the complaint;
POR, an individual, partnership
or corporation whose correct
name and legal identity are
otherwise unknown, being that
individual, partnership or
corporation who otherwise placed)
into the stream of commerce, the)
product, or products, alleged
to be defective in the
Complaint, S,T,U, is an
individual, partnership or
corporation being that
individual, partnership or
corporation who altered the
product alleged to be defective, )
or otherwise disabled, removed
or failed to properly install
or maintain a safety device
used with or incorporated
into said product.
    Defendants.
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#### COMPLAINT

COMES now the Plaintiff, Mark Reed, and files this his Complaint and states as grounds thereof the following:

- 1. The Plaintiff is an individual over the age of nineteen (19) and is a resident of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. The said Mark Reed is the personal representative of, as administrator of the Estate of, Madison Reed, deceased, having been duly appointed in said capacity by the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Bessemer Division on May 30,2019 in case number 19BES00397 and styled In the Matter of the Estate of Madison Reed, deceased.
- 2. The Defendant, Tracker Marine Retail, L.L.C. is a limited liability company doing business in Jefferson County, Alabama and at all times referred to in the Complaint, was so doing business. The Defendant, Mercury Marine is a corporation or other entity doing business in Jefferson County, Alabama and at all times referred to in the complaint was so doing business. The Defendant, Brunswick Corporation is a corporation or other entity doing business in Jefferson County, Alabama and at all times referred to in the complaint was so doing business
- 3. X,Y,Z, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, who was the manufacturer of the vessel or the engine or propulsion device alleged to be defective herein.
- 4. A,B,C, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation being that individual Partnership or Corporation who designed the vessel or the engine or propulsion device, or an integral part thereof, alleged to be defective herein.
- 5. D,E,F, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, being that individual Partnership or Corporation who caused or contributed to

the design of vessel or the engine or propulsion device alleged to be defective herein.

- **6.** G,H,I, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, being that individual Partnership or Corporation who assembled or contributed to the assembly of the vessel or the engine or propulsion device alleged to be defective herein.
- 7. J,K,L, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, being that individual Partnership or Corporation who distributed the vessel or the engine or propulsion device alleged to be defective herein.
- **8.** M,N,O, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, being that individual Partnership or Corporation who sold the vessel or the engine or propulsion device alleged to be defective herein.
- 9. P,Q,R, whether one or more, is an individual Partnership or Corporation whose correct name and legal identity are otherwise unknown, being that individual Partnership or Corporation who otherwise placed into the stream of commerce, the vessel or the engine or propulsion device alleged to be defective herein.
- 10. S,T,U, whether one or more, is an individual, Partnership or Corporation who altered the product alleged to be defective, or otherwise disabled, removed or failed to properly install or maintain a safety device used with or incorporated into said product.
- 11. On or about August 26, 2017, the Plaintiff's decedent, a minor, fourteen (14) years of age, was a passenger on a vessel manufactured, sold and distributed as a "Sun Tracker Party Barge 20," a pontoon boat, by defendant Tracker Marine Retail, L.L.C. and the fictitious parties referred to herein, being operated on a lake in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

- 12. At said time and in said place the plaintiff's decedent was situated upon the unenclosed bow of said vessel which was of an area approximately five (5) feet in depth and approximately eight (8) feet in width, unprotected by railing or other restraint, while the same was underway. At said time and in said place, Plaintiff's decedent was caused to fall from said bow, entering the water and was caused to strike the propeller of the engine or propulsion device mounted at or near the stern of said vessel, proximately causing her fatal personal injury.
- 13. Said vessel, as manufactured and sold, created an attractive nuisance, inviting plaintiff's decedent onto the bow thereof, under the circumstances as they existed at said time, and as described herein.
- 14. Said product was designed, manufactured, assembled, sold and placed in the stream of commerce by the defendants with a defect or in a defective condition. Said product was unreasonably dangerous when put to its intended use and said product reached said plaintiff's decedent, the ultimate consumer, without substantial change as designed, manufactured, assembled and sold.
- 15. As a proximate consequence of the defect and the unreasonably dangerous condition of said product, the plaintiff's decedent, was caused to suffer personal injuries and said injuries were fatal.
- 16. Said defect was occasioned under circumstances such that the Defendants knew or should have known by the design, manufacture, assembly, sale and the placement of said product into the stream of commerce that such injury or injuries would, or would be likely to, occur.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for the wrongful death of his minor child in such amount as the jury, or other fact finder, may assess and costs.

#### COUNT TWO

Plaintiff reavers each and every above paragraph of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if set out here in full and further alleges:

- 17. Said vessel was designed, manufactured, assembled, sold and placed in the stream of commerce by the defendants with a defect or in a defective condition. Said product was unreasonably dangerous when put to its intended use and said product reached said plaintiff's decedent, the ultimate consumer, without substantial change as designed, manufactured, assembled and sold.
- 18. Said defendants, having superior knowledge of the unreasonably dangerous condition and defects described herein above, failed to adequately warn intended users of said product, including Plaintiff's decedent, of said defects.
- 19. Under all of the circumstances, said defendants had a duty to warn of the defective condition as described, and negligently and wantonly failed to adequately warn of the hazards presented thereby.
- 20. As a proximate consequence of said failure to warn, the Plaintiff's decedent suffered a fatal personal injury.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for the wrongful death of his minor child in such amount as the jury, or other fact finder, may assess and costs.

#### COUNT THREE

Plaintiff reavers each and every above paragraph of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if set out here in full and further alleges:

21. Said Defendants, Tracker Marine Retail, L.L.C. and other fictitious defendants, introduced into the stream of commerce a vessel which incorporated an outboard motor or propulsion device which was designed,

manufactured, assembled, sold and placed in the stream of commerce by the defendants, Mercury Marine, Brunswick Corporation and other fictitious defendants. Said product, incorporating said engine or propulsion device was in a defective condition. Said product was unreasonably dangerous when put to its intended use and said product reached said plaintiff's decedent, the ultimate consumer, without substantial change as designed, manufactured, assembled and sold.

- 22. Said defendants knew or should have known that the product with application for said product for use on a pontoon boat created and unreasonable risk of harm and therefore said defendants had a duty to install a known and available safety device.
- 23. Said defendants manufactured, distributed, sold and otherwise introduced into the stream of commerce said product without providing an adequate warning for the use of said product in connection with said application and failing to equip said product with a known safety device or devices.
- 24. As a proximate consequence of the defect and the unreasonably dangerous condition of said product, the plaintiff's decedent, was caused to suffer personal injuries and said injuries were fatal.
- 25. Said defect was occasioned under circumstances such that the Defendants knew or should have known by the design, manufacture, assembly, sale and the placement of said product into the stream of commerce that such injury or injuries would, or would be likely to, occur.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for the wrongful death of his minor child in such amount as the jury, or other fact finder, may assess and costs.

#### COUNT FOUR

Plaintiff reavers each and every above paragraph of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if set out here in full and further alleges:

- 26. The Defendants, Mercury Marine, Brunswick Corporation and other fictitious defendants, introduced into the stream of commerce an outboard motor or propulsion device which was designed, manufactured, assembled, sold and placed in the stream of commerce by the defendants with a defect or in a defective condition. Said product was unreasonably dangerous when put to its intended use and said product reached said plaintiff's decedent, the ultimate consumer, without substantial change as designed, manufactured, assembled and sold.
- **27.** Said defendants knew or should have known of the foreseeable application for said product for use on a pontoon boat.
- 28. Said defendants manufactured, distributed, sold and otherwise introduced into the stream of commerce said product without providing an adequate warning for the use of said product in connection with said application and failing to equip said product with a known safety device or devices.
- 29. As a proximate consequence of the defect and the unreasonably dangerous condition of said product, the plaintiff's decedent, was caused to suffer personal injuries and said injuries were fatal.
- **30.** Said defect was occasioned under circumstances such that the Defendants knew or should have known by the design, manufacture, assembly, sale and the placement of said product into the stream of commerce that such injury or injuries would, or would be likely to, occur.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for the wrongful death of his minor child in such amount as the jury, or other fact finder, may assess and costs.

#### COUNT FIVE

Plaintiff reavers each and every above paragraph of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if set out here in full and further alleges:

- **31.** The defendants negligently and/or wantonly manufactured, assembled, designed, sold and otherwise placed into the stream of commerce a product in a defective condition.
- **32.** The manufacture, assembly, design and sale was done under circumstances such that said Defendants knew or should have known injury would, or was likely to, occur. As a proximate consequence of Defendants' negligence and/or wantonness the Plaintiff's decedent was caused to suffer the injuries as aforesaid.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for the wrongful death of his minor child in such amount as the jury, or other fact finder, may assess and costs.

#### COUNT SIX

Plaintiffs reaver each and every above paragraph of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if set out here in full and further allege:

33. Plaintiffs' injuries as aforesaid are the proximate consequence of the Defendants' breach of implied warranties, including those of the merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. The quality of the product causing the injuries complained of herein failed to meet the reasonable expectations of an ordinary consumer proximately causing Plaintiff's decedent's injuries as herein above described.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for the wrongful death of his minor child in such amount as the jury, or other fact finder, may assess and costs.

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For the trial of this cause Plaintiff demands a jury.

/s/ Stan Brobston Stan Brobston



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