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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
BILLINGS DIVISION**

MICHAEL F. LAFORGE,

Plaintiff,

v.

JANICE GETS DOWN, NATASHA J.  
MORTON, LEROY NOT AFRAID,  
SHEILA WILKENSON NOT AFRAID,

Defendants.

\* No. CV-17-48-BLG-BMM-TJC

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\* **DEFENDANT MORTON'S  
RESPONSE TO ORDER TO  
SHOW CAUSE**

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Defendant Natasha J. Morton respectfully responds to this court's Order dated November 3, 2017, (Doc. 26) as follows:

On June 6, 2017, defendant Morton filed a motion to dismiss plaintiff's complaint and brief in support. (Docs. 11 and 12) Plaintiff's response was due on June 27, 2017. Plaintiff did not provide a response to that motion. On July 5, 2017, plaintiff filed a "Motion Submit [sic] Support of Pleading Evidence" and a

“Motion to File Exhibits.” (Docs. 13 and 14) No brief was filed in support of those motions as required by Local Rule 7.1(d)(1)(A). It is not clear whether this “motion” was plaintiff’s opposition to the motion to dismiss but as articulated in defendant Morton’s brief in support of summary ruling (Doc 17), plaintiff’s July 5, 2017, motions did not address any of the arguments made in Morton’s motion to dismiss or brief in support. Consequently, defendant Morton has no objection to those motions and therefore did not file a further response.

On July 25, 2017, plaintiff filed a “Motion for Prayer for Relief.” Again, no brief was filed in support of the motion. That motion also did not address any of the arguments made in either defendant Morton’s motion to dismiss or motion for summary ruling. Therefore, defendant Morton also has no objection to that motion and did not file a further response.

DATED this 15th day of November, 2017.

s/ Marshal L. Mickelson  
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**\CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE  
L.R. 5.2(b)**

I hereby certify that on this 15th day of November, 2017, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following persons by the following means:

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