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I, ROBERT LEE ALLEN, declare and affirm:

I am a resident of Oakland, California residing at 1130 Third Ave., #1104, Oakland, CA 94606. The matters set forth herein are of my own personal knowledge and if called to testify, I could competently testify thereto.

I was born in Atlanta, GA, on May 29, 1942. I have lived in Oakland, California for the past six years and in the San Francisco Bay Area for 42 years. I have been an adjunct professor in the Departments of Ethnic Studies and the African American Studies, University of California at Berkeley for 18 years. I retired on July 1, 2012.

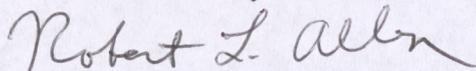
Edward R. Berman and Xiuchun Hu are very close friends of mine. I have known Edward for more than 20 years. For most of that time we have been in the habit of having dinner together, usually followed by going to a movie, on an average of about twice a month, at least when neither of us is traveling.

I met Ms. Hu, who I know as Sarah, shortly after she arrived in the U. S. when Edward and Sarah invited me for dinner at their residence at 2228 Leimert Blvd., Oakland, CA. I felt like I already knew her because Edward had been talking to me about meeting her and traveling with her in China, about when he married her in 2008, and kept me closely informed about his progress and problems in obtaining a visa for her to come to the United States. Since she came, I have had dinner with her and Edward, sometimes also with other people including my fiancé, at least 15 times, most often at their home. The first time was in September 2010 and the last was in July 2012. In addition, we have occasionally gone to other social events together.

There is no question that Edward and Sarah live together in a loving relationship. They treat each other with great affection and behave in every way as a married couple. We often exchange stories of daily life and their adventures together. Edward's overall mood and outlook on life has definitely changed for the better since she arrived. They seem even closer now than when I first saw them together. In addition, his home décor shows much evidence of Sarah's influence.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on July 12, 2012 at Oakland, California.



Robert L Allen