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**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
DISTRICT OF MONTRÉAL  
LOCALITY OF MONTRÉAL**

No: 500-06-001254-230

**SUPERIOR COURT**

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**HERBERT "TROY" DINGWELL**

Applicant

v.

**ADVANCED BIONICS L.L.C.**

-and-

**ADVANCED BIONICS CORPORATION**

-and-

**ADVANCED BIONICS AG**

-and-

**SONOVA HOLDING AG**

-and-

**SONOVA AG**

-and-

**SONOVA CANADA INC.**

-and-

**NATIONAL HEARING SERVICES INC.  
C.O.B. AS CONNECT HEARING**

Defendants

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**ANSWER**  
(art. 147 C.C.P.)

IN ANSWER TO THE ORIGINATING APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INSTITUTE A CLASS ACTION AND TO OBTAIN THE STATUS OF REPRESENTATIVE, THE DEFENDANTS STATE THE FOLLOWING:

1. The Defendants intend to contest the originating *Application for Authorization to Institute a Class Action and to Obtain the Status of Representative* and to cooperate with the Applicant in the conduct of the proceedings;
2. The Defendants are represented by Mtre Noah Boudreau and Mtre Mirna Kaddis, whose contact information are the following:

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3. The Defendants reserve all of their rights, including the right to contest this Court's jurisdiction.

Montréal, this November 22, 2023

*Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP*

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**Answer (art. 147 C.C.P.)**

Nature: Class Action

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