# EXHIBIT 1

#### Brett Favre 12/11/2023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

**PLAINTIFF** 

V. CASE NO. 25CI1:22-CV-00286-EFP

MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER, INC., ET AL

**DEFENDANTS** 

DEPOSITION OF BRETT FAVRE

Taken at the instance of the Plaintiff at 110 South 37th Avenue, Suite 8, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on Monday,

December 11, 2023,
beginning at 8:00 a.m.

#### REPORTED BY:

GINGER H. BROOKS, CCR #1165 CRR, RPR, CRC, CCR, CLR, RSA

1	behalf of Brett Favre.
2	MR. HERSCHMANN: Eric Herschmann for the
3	witness.
4	MS. ANDERSON: Bob Anderson, I'm Agency
5	representative for the Mississippi Department
6	of Human Services.
7	MR. WAIDE: Jim Waide, Austin Smith.
8	MR. LOTT: Casey Lott on behalf of
9	Family Resource Center, Christi Webb, and the
10	Northeast Mississippi Football Coaches
11	Association.
12	MS. WALKER: Molly Walker for William,
13	Weiss and Hester.
14	MR. SHIELDS: William Shields for
15	William Shields.
16	MS. REEVES: Abbey Reeves for MDHS.
17	MR. STEWART: Austin Stewart on behalf
18	of the USM Athletic Foundation.
19	MR. HARRIS: Andrew Harris on behalf of
20	MDHS.
21	BRETT FAVRE,
22	having been first duly sworn, was examined and
23	testified as follows:
24	EXAMINATION BY MR. STONE:
25	Q. Good morning, Mr. Favre.

1	Miss, teams like that, don't have, that
2	problem is, we have to figure out how to
3	spend the money, you have to figure out how
4	to get the money."
5	So when Breleigh committed to a
6	university, I knew she was going to play
7	volleyball. Did I think keep in mind,
8	Bill McGillis had told me that he was adding
9	beach, but it was going to take a few years.
10	He left. Jon Gilbert took over, and I don't
11	know how long it takes to implement a sport,
12	but it took several years.
13	I knew that there was a very good chance
14	that my daughter would not play in there,
15	because I knew she was going to play beach
16	when it was added, and that's what happened.
17	She never played in there at all.
18	Did I want her to play in there? It
19	would have been nice. Is that the reason I
20	built it, or we built it? Absolutely not.
21	Q. Where
22	A. It's
23	Q. I'm sorry, go ahead.
24	A. No, go ahead.
25	Q. I didn't mean to interrupt you.

- 1 disagree with Dr. Bennett?
- 2 A. I don't agree with his testimony.
- 3 Q. Do you know of any reason why
- 4 Dr. Bennett, now chancellor at University of
- 5 Nebraska, would lie?
- 6 MR. HERSCHMANN: Objection to form.
- 7 THE WITNESS: That's a good question. I
- 8 don't.
- 9 Q. (By Mr. Stone) You don't.
- I mean, you can't think of any motive he
- 11 would have to lie, can you?
- 12 MR. HERSCHMANN: Objection to form.
- Q. (By Mr. Stone) That's a "no"?
- 14 A. I have no idea.
- 15 Q. And you're not aware of him having a
- 16 monetary interest in the outcome of this
- 17 litigation, for instance, correct?
- 18 MR. HERSCHMANN: Object.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- Q. (By Mr. Stone) But you're --
- 21 A. But I don't have -- there's -- I
- 22 wouldn't promise to pay for it all. I never said
- 23 that. Why would I be introduced to Nancy New
- 24 off -- right off the git-go if I were going to pay
- 25 for it all?

- 1 that was coming in through Nancy, that that
- 2 4 million went to volleyball?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And Nancy was asking you to make sure
- 5 that that money went where you wanted it to go?
- 6 MR. HERSCHMANN: I'm sorry. Give me one
- 7 second.
- 8 Objection to form.
- 9 Q. (By Mr. Stone) "Make sure we get the
- 10 facility you had hoped for" is the words she used.
- 11 MR. HERSCHMANN: Objection to form.
- 12 Q. (By Mr. Stone) Correct?
- 13 A. Yeah, that's what she said.
- Q. Mr. Favre, what, if anything, did you do
- 15 to determine that this plan, this, you know,
- 16 \$4 million that was coming in through Nancy New
- 17 and John Davis for the volleyball facility, was
- 18 lawful, that it was legal? What did you do?
- 19 A. To -- to make sure it was legal?
- 20 Q. Yeah.
- 21 A. I didn't do anything.
- 22 Q. So you didn't talk to a lawyer about
- 23 that?
- 24 MR. HERSCHMANN: Objection to form.
- 25 THE WITNESS: The lawyers for Southern

1	Miss, the Attorney General, the governor's
2	office. The governor was involved and was
3	all excited about it.
4	Q. (By Mr. Stone) Did
5	A. Why would I even think for a second that
6	it was wrong or illegal? There was no reason for
7	me to think it, especially when IHL Board I
8	don't know who's on it the Attorney General,
9	the governor's office, and the University are okay
10	with it. Why would I think that it was wrong?
11	Q. So the answer is you didn't contact a
12	lawyer, haven't talked to anybody about it
13	A. That was
14	MR. HERSCHMANN: Wait, wait, hold on.
15	Let him finish the question.
16	MR. STONE: I thought he was done.
17	MR. HERSCHMANN: No, I'm saying you
18	didn't finish the question, and he jumped in.
19	Q. (By Mr. Stone) But you didn't contact
20	your own lawyer to figure out the legalities of
21	any of this?
22	MR. HERSCHMANN: Objection to form.
23	THE WITNESS: No.
24	Q. (By Mr. Stone) In 2019, when you
25	realized that the project needed a little bit more

1	CERTIFICATE OF DEPONENT
2	DEPONENT: BRETT FAVRE
	DATE: December 11, 2023
3	CASE STYLE: MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
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4	CENTER, INC., ET AL
	ORIGINAL TO: ADAM STONE, ESQ.
5	I, the above-named deponent in the
	deposition taken in the herein styled and numbered
6	cause, certify that I have examined the deposition
_	taken on the date above as to the correctness
7	thereof, and that after reading said pages, I find
	them to contain a full and true transcript of the
8	testimony as given by me.
0	Subject to those corrections listed
9	below, if any, I find the transcript to be the
10	correct testimony I gave at the aforestated time and place.
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18	This the 19th day of January, 2023/
19	Test for
	BRETT FAVRE
20	State of Mississippi
0.4	County of Lamar
21	No.
20	Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the
22	day of January, 2023
23	My Commission Texpires:
24	our 31 2025. Oyman of How
25	Notary Public
	LYNNE J. HODA
	Commission Expires

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2	I, Ginger H. Brooks, Court Reporter and
3	Notary Public, in and for the State of
4	Mississippi, hereby certify that the foregoing
5	contains a true and correct transcript of the
6	testimony of BRETT FAVRE, as taken by me in the
7	aforementioned matter at the time and place
8	heretofore stated, as taken by stenotype and later
9	reduced to typewritten form under my supervision
10	by means of computer-aided transcription.
11	I further certify that under the
12	authority vested in me by the State of Mississippi
13	that the witness was placed under oath by me to
14	truthfully answer all questions in the matter.
15	I further certify that, to the best of
16	my knowledge, I am not in the employ of or related
17	to any party in this matter and have no interest,
18	monetary or otherwise, in the final outcome of
19	this matter.
20	Witness my signature and seal this the
21	22nd day of December, 2023.
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24	GINGER H. BROOKS, #1165 CRR, RPR, CCR
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25	September 18, 2025