#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

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DENNIS KRYSTEK, Individually and on Behalf of ) All Others Similarly Situated, )

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No. 3:14-cv-01119

Judge Bernard A. Friedman Magistrate Judge Jeffery S. Frensley

**CLASS ACTION** 

VS.

RUBY TUESDAY, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

# **PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE**

## I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. To recover as a Member of the Class based on your claims in the action entitled *Dennis Krystek v. Ruby Tuesday, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 3:14-cv-01119 (the "Litigation"), you must complete and, on page 6 hereof, sign this Proof of Claim and Release. If you fail to submit a properly addressed (as set forth in paragraph 3 below) Proof of Claim and Release, postmarked or received by the date shown below, your claim may be rejected and you may be precluded from any recovery from the Net Settlement Fund created in connection with the proposed Settlement of the Litigation.

2. Submission of this Proof of Claim and Release, however, does not assure that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement.

3. YOU MUST MAIL OR SUBMIT ONLINE YOUR COMPLETED AND SIGNED PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE, ACCOMPANIED BY COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED HEREIN, NO LATER THAN JULY 17, 2017, TO THE COURT-APPOINTED CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR IN THIS CASE, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Ruby Tuesday Securities Litigation Claims Administrator c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC P.O. Box 30224 College Station, TX 77842-3224

## Online Submissions: www.rubytuesdaysecuritieslitigation.com

If you are NOT a Member of the Class (as defined in the Notice of Proposed Settlement of Class Action (the "Notice")), DO NOT submit a Proof of Claim and Release form.

4. If you are a Member of the Class and you do not timely request exclusion in connection with the proposed Settlement, you will be bound by the terms of any judgment entered in the Litigation, including the releases provided therein, WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE FORM.

## II. CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION

If you purchased or acquired Ruby Tuesday, Inc. ("Ruby Tuesday" or the "Company") common stock between April 10, 2013 and October 9, 2013, inclusive ("Class Period"), and held the shares in your name, you are the beneficial purchaser or acquirer as well as the record purchaser or acquirer. If, however, you purchased or acquired Ruby Tuesday common stock during the Class Period and the shares were registered in the name of a third party, such as a nominee or brokerage firm, you are the beneficial purchaser or acquirer and the third party is the record purchaser or acquirer.

Use Part I of this form entitled "Claimant Identification" to identify each purchaser or acquirer of record ("nominee"), if different from the beneficial purchaser or acquirer of the common stock which form the basis of this claim. THIS CLAIM MUST BE FILED BY THE ACTUAL BENEFICIAL PURCHASER(S) OR ACQUIRER(S) OR THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF SUCH PURCHASER(S) OR ACQUIRER(S) OF THE RUBY TUESDAY COMMON STOCK UPON WHICH THIS CLAIM IS BASED.

All joint purchasers or acquirers must sign this claim. Executors, administrators, guardians, conservators and trustees must complete and sign this claim on behalf of persons represented by them and their authority must accompany this claim and their titles or capacities must be stated. The Social Security (or taxpayer identification) number and telephone number of the beneficial owner may be used in verifying the claim. Failure to provide the foregoing information could delay verification of your claim or result in rejection of the claim.

If you are acting in a representative capacity on behalf of a Class Member (for example, as an executor, administrator, trustee, or other representative), you must submit evidence of your current authority to act on behalf of that Class Member. Such evidence would include, for example, letters testamentary, letters of administration, or a copy of the trust documents.

NOTICE REGARDING ELECTRONIC FILES: Certain claimants with large numbers of transactions may request to, or may be requested to, submit information regarding their transactions in electronic files. *All claimants MUST submit a manually signed paper Proof of Claim and Release form listing all their transactions whether or not they also submit electronic copies.* If you wish to file your claim electronically, you must contact the Claims Administrator at edata@gilardi.com to obtain the required file layout. No electronic files will be considered to have been properly submitted unless the Claims Administrator issues to the claimant a written acknowledgement of receipt and acceptance of electronically submitted data.

#### III. CLAIM FORM

Use Part II of this form entitled "Schedule of Transactions in Ruby Tuesday Common Stock" to supply all required details of your transaction(s) in Ruby Tuesday common stock. If you need more space or additional schedules, attach separate sheets giving all of the required information in substantially the same form. Sign and print or type your name on each additional sheet.

On the schedules, provide all of the requested information with respect to **all** of your purchases, acquisitions and sales of Ruby Tuesday common stock between April 10, 2013 and January 7, 2014, inclusive, whether such transactions resulted in a profit or a loss. You must also provide all of the requested information with respect to **all** of the Ruby Tuesday common stock you held at the close of trading on April 9, 2013, October 9, 2013 and January 7, 2014. Failure to report all such transactions may result in the rejection of your claim.

List these transactions separately and in chronological order, by trade date, beginning with the earliest. You must accurately provide the month, day and year of each transaction you list.

For short-sale transactions, the date of covering a "short sale" is deemed to be the date of purchase of Ruby Tuesday common stock, and the date of a "short sale" is deemed to be the date of sale of Ruby Tuesday common stock.

For each transaction and for your holdings of Ruby Tuesday common stock, you must provide, together with this Proof of Claim and Release form, copies of stockbroker confirmation slips, stockbroker statements, or other documents evidencing your transactions in and holdings of Ruby Tuesday common stock. If any such documents are not in your possession, please obtain a copy or equivalent documents from your broker because these documents are necessary to prove and process your claim. Failure to provide this documentation could delay verification of your claim or result in rejection of your claim.

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	C	ivil Action No. 3	:14-cv-01119	, <b></b>
			AND RELEASE	
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PART I: CLAIMANT IDENTIFICAT			M.I. First Name	
Last Name (Co-Beneficial Owner)			M.I. First Name	e (Co-Beneficial Owner)
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# PART II. SCHEDULE OF TRANSACTIONS IN RUBY TUESDAY COMMON STOCK

- A. Number of shares of Ruby Tuesday common stock held at the close of trading on April 9, 2013:
- Proof Enclosed?
- B. Purchases or acquisitions of Ruby Tuesday common stock between April 10, 2013 and January 7, 2014, inclusive: \_\_\_\_\_ PURCHASES \_\_\_\_\_\_

Trade Date(s) of Shares (List Chronologically)	Number of Shares Purchased or Acquired	Total Purchase or Acquisition Price (Excluding Commissions, Taxes and Fees). Please round off to the nearest whole dollar	Proof of Purchase Enclosed?
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IMPORTANT: (i) If any purchase listed covered a "short sale," please mark Yes: O Yes

(ii) If you received shares through an acquisition or merger, please identify the date, the share amount and the company acquired:

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Merger Shares:

Company:

C. Sales of Ruby Tuesday common stock between April 10, 2013 and January 7, 2014, inclusive:

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D. Number of shares of Ruby Tuesday comr at the close of trading on October 9, 2013			Proof Enclosed?
E. Number of shares of Ruby Tuesday comr at the close of trading on January 7, 2014			Proof Enclosed?
	SPACE TO LIST YOUR TRANSACTIONS F OUR NAME ON THE COPY AND FILL THI		
IF YOU DO NOT FILL I	N THIS CIRCLE THESE ADDITIONAL PAG	ES MAY NOT BE REVIEWED.	
	D SIGN THE RELEASE ON PAGE 6. FAILU A DELAY IN PROCESSING OR THE REJEC		



## IV. SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION OF COURT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I (We) submit this Proof of Claim and Release under the terms of the Stipulation of Settlement described in the Notice. I (We) also submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, Nashville Division, with respect to my (our) claim as a Class Member and for purposes of enforcing the release set forth herein. I (We) further acknowledge that I am (we are) bound by and subject to the terms of any judgment that may be entered in the Litigation. I (We) agree to furnish additional information to the Claims Administrator to support this claim if requested to do so. I (We) have not submitted any other claim in connection with the purchase or acquisition of Ruby Tuesday common stock during the Class Period and know of no other person having done so on my (our) behalf.

# V. RELEASE

1. I (We) hereby acknowledge full and complete satisfaction of, and do hereby fully, finally and forever release, relinquish, and discharge each and all of the Released Persons from the Released Claims as provided in the Stipulation of Settlement.

2. "Related Parties" means, with respect to each Defendant, present and former parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, predecessors, successors, joint venturers, assigns, officers, directors, employees, partners, controlling shareholders, principals, trustees, attorneys, auditors, accountants, investment bankers, underwriters, consultants, agents, insurers, re-insurers, spouses, estates, related or affiliated entities, any entity in which a Defendant has a controlling interest, any members of any Defendants' immediate family, any trust of which any Defendant is the settlor or which is for the benefit of any Defendant and/or member(s) of his family, and each of the heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns of the foregoing.

3. "Released Claims" means any and all claims, debts, demands, losses, rights, causes of action, suits, matters, and issues or liabilities of every nature and description whatsoever (including, but not limited to, any claims for damages, interest, attorneys' fees, expert or consulting fees, and any other costs, expenses or liability whatsoever), whether known or unknown, discoverable or undiscoverable, concealed or hidden, suspected or unsuspected, whether arising under federal, state, local, statutory, common or foreign law, or any other law, rule or regulation, which now exists or heretofore has existed, whether contingent or absolute, accrued or un-accrued, liquidated or un-liquidated, at law or in equity, mature or un-mature, whether class or individual in nature, that Lead Plaintiff or any other Member of the Class asserted in the Litigation or could have asserted in any forum that arise out of or are based upon or related in any way to (i) the purchase or acquisition of Ruby Tuesday common stock, and (ii) the allegations, transactions, facts, matters, occurrences, representations or omissions involved, set forth, or referred to in the Complaint. "Released Claims" includes "Unknown Claims" as defined below.

4. "Released Persons" means each and all of the Defendants and each and all of their Related Parties.

5. "Settled Defendants' Released Claims" means all claims, demands, losses, rights, and causes of action of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, contingent or absolute, mature or immature, discoverable or undiscoverable, whether concealed or hidden, suspected or unsuspected, whether arising under federal, state, common or foreign law, which now exist or heretofore have existed, that have been or could have been asserted in the Litigation or any forum by the Released Persons or any of them against Lead Plaintiff, Plaintiffs, Class Members, or Plaintiffs' Counsel, that arise out of or relate in any way to the institution, prosecution, or settlement, of the claims against the Released Persons, except for claims related to the enforcement of the Settlement.

6. "Unknown Claims" means any of the Released Claims which Lead Plaintiff or any Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in such party's favor at the time of the release of the Released Persons, and any of the Settled Defendants' Released Claims that the Released Persons do not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release of Lead Plaintiff, each and all of the Class Members and Plaintiffs' Counsel, which, if known by such party, might have affected such party's settlement with and release of the Released Persons or Lead Plaintiff, each and all of the Class Members and Plaintiffs' Counsel, which, if known by such party, might have affected such party's decision not to object to this Settlement or seek exclusion. Unknown Claims include those Released Claims in which some or all of the facts comprising the claim may be suspected, or even undisclosed or hidden. With respect to any and all Released Claims and the Settled Defendants' Released Claims, upon the Effective Date, Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly, and each of the Class Members and Released Persons shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Order and Final Judgment shall have, expressly waived to the fullest extent permitted by law, the provisions, rights, and benefits of California Civil Code §1542, which provides:

#### A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.

Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly, and each of the Class Members and Released Persons shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Order and Final Judgment, shall have expressly waived any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable or equivalent to California Civil Code §1542. Lead Plaintiff, Class Members and the Released Persons may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those which such party now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims and the Settled Defendants' Released Claims, but Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly, and each Class Member and Released Persons, upon the Effective Date, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Order and Final Judgment shall have fully, finally, and forever settled and released any and all Released Claims, or the Settled Defendants' Released Claims, as the case may be, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including, but not limited to, conduct that is negligent, reckless, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty, law, or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts, whether or not previously or currently asserted in any



action. Lead Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and the Class Members and Released Persons shall be deemed by operation of the Order and Final Judgment to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and a key element of the Settlement of which this release is a part.

7. This release shall be of no force or effect unless and until the Court approves the Stipulation of Settlement and the Settlement becomes effective on the Effective Date.

8. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have not assigned or transferred or purported to assign or transfer, voluntarily or involuntarily, any claim or matter released pursuant to this release or any other part or portion thereof.

9. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have included information (including supporting documentation) about all of my (our) purchases, acquisitions and sales of Ruby Tuesday common stock between April 10, 2013 and January 7, 2014, inclusive, and the number of shares of Ruby Tuesday common stock held by me (us) at the close of trading on April 9, 2013, October 9, 2013 and January 7, 2014.

10. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I am (we are) not a Defendant or other person excluded from the Class.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing information supplied by the undersigned is true and correct.

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	CESSING TAKES A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME.

Reminder Checklist:

- 1. Please sign the above release and declaration.
- 2. If this claim is being made on behalf of Joint Claimants, then both must sign.
- 3. Remember to attach copies of supporting documentation, if available.
- 4. **Do not send** originals of certificates or other documentation as they will not be returned.
- 5. Keep a copy of your Proof of Claim and Release and all supporting documentation for your records.
- If you desire an acknowledgment of receipt of your Proof of Claim and Release, please send it Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.
- 7. If you move, please send your new address to the address below.
- 8. **Do not use red pen or highlighter** on the Proof of Claim and Release or supporting documentation.

# THIS PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY JULY 17, 2017, OR, IF MAILED, POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JULY 17, 2017, ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

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