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### ***Las Vegas Attorney Achieves Over \$6 Million Jury Verdict in U.S. District Court Civil Trial***

**LAS VEGAS** - - A local attorney, Gus W. Flangas, won a sizeable case for his client July 27<sup>th</sup> involving lost wages, loss of stock and efforts aimed by others to keep his client from working in the industry.

The jury of eight found that George Pursglove had been denied these rights by his former employer, BOOMJ.COM, a developer of a social, political, financial and lifestyle internet site. BOOMJ.COM, based in southern Nevada, is now doing business nationwide as Beyond Commerce.

Mr. Pursglove was represented in U.S. District Court (case # 2:08-CV-00496-KJD-(RJJ)) by the Flangas McMillan Law Group in Las Vegas.

Mr. Pursglove was originally the defendant in the lawsuit brought by BOOMJ.COM and its board chairman, Robert McNulty. Mr. Pursglove served the company for nearly one year as president and chief executive officer. The claim by BOOMJ.COM was that Mr. Pursglove had breached several areas: a Confidentiality/Non-Compete Agreement; Post-Confidentiality/Non-Compete Restrictive Covenant, Fiduciary Duties, Fraud Misrepresentation,

Conversion, Trespass to Chattel, Intentional Interference with Contractual Relations and Injunctive Relief.

The defendant then filed a counterclaim to recover his lost wages and stock. During the three-day trial that began July 25<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Flangas succeeded in having most of the case against Mr. Pursglove dismissed. Only the claims from BOOMJ.COM for fraud and misrepresentation and breach of fiduciary duty were allowed to be decided by the jury.

On the evening of July 27<sup>th</sup>, after deliberations of only two hours, the jury found for Mr. Pursglove, awarding him \$20,775 for lost wages, \$3 million for compensation of shares of stock withheld from the defendant, and \$3 million as punitive damages. Additionally, Mr. Pursglove is entitled to 30 days of wages as a penalty to the plaintiffs, valued at approximately \$13,850.

"We feel that this decision rendered by the jury was a fair and just one," said Mr. Flangas. "The case was such that my client had been dealt a disservice, and we are gratified that a jury of his peers agreed." Mr. Flangas was assisted at the trial by an associate, Jessica K. Peterson.

### **About Gus Flangas (Photo: [Click here.](#) )**

A native of Nevada, Mr. Flangas served in the U.S. Army as a commissioned officer and a helicopter pilot. He commanded an air cavalry troop along the former East/West German border. Following 10 years of military service, he entered law school in 1990. His military experiences, which included sensitive peacetime missions of border surveillance and show of force, have successfully prepared him for the courtroom environment. His field of specialization includes complex civil litigation, real estate, business, construction, appellate work and personal injury. Outside the courtroom, he serves on the Board of Directors for Goodwill Industries, is a planning

commissioner for the City of Las Vegas, is a former president of St. John's Greek Orthodox Church, and is also the chairman of the Greek Food Festival.

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