

EXHIBIT "C"

Attorney General's Release of Opioid-Related Claims Pursuant to the CVS Settlement Agreement

WHEREAS the CVS Settlement Agreement dated December 9, 2022 (the "Agreement") provides in Section XI.A that, as of the Effective Date of the Agreement, CVS and the Released Entities will be released and forever discharged from all of the Releasors' Released Claims;¹ and

WHEREAS the Agreement provides in Section I.LLL that Releasors (as defined in the Agreement) who are releasing Claims under Section XI.A include without limitation, and to the maximum extent of the power of each Settling State's Attorney General to release Claims, (a) each Settling State's and each Participating Subdivision's departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, Subdivisions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, including its Attorney General, and any person in his or her official capacity whether elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, (b) any public entities, public instrumentalities, public educational institutions, unincorporated districts, fire districts, irrigation districts, water districts, law enforcement districts, emergency services districts, school districts, hospital districts and other Special Districts in a Settling State, and (c) any person or entity acting in a *parens patriae*, sovereign, quasi-sovereign, private attorney general, qui tam, taxpayer, or other capacity seeking relief on behalf of or generally applicable to the general public with respect to a Settling State or Subdivision in a Settling State, whether or not any of them participate in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS the Agreement provides in Section XI.G that each Settling State's Attorney General expressly represents and warrants that he or she has, or has obtained, the authority to settle and release, to the maximum extent of the State's power, all Released Claims of (1) his or her respective Settling State, (2) all past and present executive departments, state agencies, divisions, boards, commissions and instrumentalities with the regulatory authority to enforce state and federal controlled substances acts, and (3) any of his or her respective Settling State's past and present executive departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions and instrumentalities that have the authority to bring Claims related to Alleged Harms and/or Covered Conduct seeking money (including abatement and/or remediation) or revocation of a pharmaceutical distribution or dispensing license. For the purposes of clause (3) above, executive departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, and instrumentalities are those that are under the executive authority or direct control of the State's Governor; and

WHEREAS the Agreement provides in Section XI.G that a release from a Settling State's Governor is sufficient to demonstrate that the appropriate releases have been obtained for the purposes of clause (3) of Section XI.G, and the Governor of the State of Arizona has provided a release;

THEREFORE, pursuant to the foregoing provisions of the Agreement and without limitation and to the maximum extent of the power of the Attorney General, the Released Entities are, as of the Effective Date, hereby released and forever discharged from any and all Released Claims of (a) the

¹ Capitalized terms used herein and defined in the Agreement have the meanings given to them in the Agreement.

State of Arizona and its Participating Subdivision's departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, Subdivisions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, including its Attorney General, and any person in his or her official capacity whether elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, (b) any public entities, public instrumentalities, public educational institutions, unincorporated districts, fire districts, irrigation districts, water districts, law enforcement districts, emergency services districts, school districts, hospital districts and other Special Districts in the State of Arizona and (c) any person or entity acting in a *parens patriae*, sovereign, quasi-sovereign, private attorney general, *qui tam*, taxpayer, or other capacity seeking relief on behalf of or generally applicable to the general public with respect to the State of Arizona or Subdivision in the State of Arizona, whether or not any of them participate in the Agreement; and

THEREFORE, pursuant to the foregoing provisions of the Agreement and to the maximum extent of the State of Arizona's power, the Released Entities are, as of the Effective Date, hereby released and forever discharged from any and all Released Claims of (1) the State of Arizona, (2) all past and present executive departments, state agencies, divisions, boards, commissions and instrumentalities with the regulatory authority to enforce state and federal controlled substances acts, and (3) any of the State of Arizona's past and present executive departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions and instrumentalities that have the authority to bring Claims related to Alleged Harms and/or Covered Conduct seeking money (including abatement and/or remediation) or revocation of a pharmaceutical distribution or dispensing license. For the purposes of clause (3) above, executive departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, and instrumentalities are those that are under the executive authority or direct control of the State of Arizona's Governor.



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