UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:23-CV-00523

LILLIAN BERNIER, Plaintiff)
v.)
TURBOCAM, INC., HEALTH PLANS, INC., & HARVARD PILGRIM HEALTH CARE OF NEW ENGLAND, Defendants)))

DEFENDANT, TURBOCAM, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6), Defendant, Turbocam, Inc. ("Turbocam"), moves to dismiss Plaintiff, Lillian Bernier's ("Bernier") Complaint for failure to state a claim. As set forth in Turbocam's accompanying memorandum of law in support of this motion, Plaintiff's motion should be dismissed because: (1) Turbocam's health plan's exclusion for "gender dysphoria treatment" does not discriminate "because of sex," as it applies equally to all employees, regardless of sex, and the exclusion is just one of many other surgical and treatment exclusions in the plan; and (2) Bernier neither alleges facts nor argues that her diagnosis of gender dysphoria was the result of a physical impairment.

WHEREFORE, Defendant, Turbocam, Inc. respectfully requests that this Honorable Court order and direct that:

- A. Defendant, Turbocam, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss is granted;
- B. Plaintiff's Complaint is dismissed with prejudice; and
- C. Defendant, Turbocam, Inc. be granted such additional relief as may be proper and just.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, Defendant, Turbocam, Inc. respectfully requests that this Court dismiss Counts I-V pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6).

Respectfully submitted, Turbocam, Inc., By its attorney,

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