DISTRICT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, FIRST DISTRICT

PRESENT:		
		Motion Date: November 18, 2025
HON. STEPHEN L. UKEILEY		Seq. 001
District Court J	udge	-
	x	PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY:
SLOMIN'S INC.,		Kirschenbaum & Kirschenbaum
		200 Garden City Plaza
	Plaintiff ₃	Suite 315
		Garden City, New York 11530
-against-		
		DEFENDANT PRO SE:
UMAR FAROQ,		Umar Faroq
		406 American Blvd.
	Defendant.	Brentwood, New York 11717
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Upon the following papers numbered 1 to $\underline{4}$ read on this motion to vacate the default judgment; Order to show cause and supporting affidavit $\underline{1}, \underline{2}$; Other Affirmation in Opposition $\underline{3}$; Exhibits $\underline{4}$; it is,

ORDERED that defendant's motion to vacate the default judgment is denied.

In order to vacate a default judgment, a defendant must establish a reasonable excuse for the default as well as the possibility of a meritorious defense (CPLR 5015[a][1]; **Schiavetta v. McKeon**, 190 AD2d 724). The defendant herein has failed to meet both requirements.

Defendant avers that he did not receive the summons while admitting service at his home on his brother. Defendant states that as a result of certain health issues, his brother didn't inform him of the papers. Additionally, he denies the additional mailing but no mail was returned to plaintiff's counsel or this court. "The affidavit of a process server generally constitutes prima facie proof of proper service" (see, Bank, N.A. v Peralta, 142 AD3d 988, 37 NYS3d 308[2016]. The prima facie showing by the process server is not rebutted herein. Additionally, based on the contract itself and no proof of the cancellation thereof, there is no meritorious defense presented.

Accordingly, defendant's motion to vacate the default judgment is denied.

Dated: Ronkonkoma, New York November 19, 2025

HON. STEPHEN L. UKEILEY, J.D.C.

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