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For the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010

(Fiscal 2009)

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## CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, MA (Address of principal executive offices) 04-2623104

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

02021 (Zip Code)

(781) 828-9300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u> Common Stock, \$0.01 par value Preferred Stock Purchase Rights Name of each exchange on which registered The NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

(Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗵

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗵

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Large accelerated filer  $\Box$ 

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵

As of August 1, 2009, the aggregate market value of the Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$62.3 million, based on the last reported sale price on that date. Shares of Common Stock held by each executive officer and director and by each person who owns 10% or more of the outstanding Common Stock have been excluded on the basis that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily determinative for other purposes.

The registrant had 47,171,696 shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value, outstanding as of March 10, 2010.

## DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Proxy Statement for the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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#### PART I.

Certain statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "estimate," "intend," "plan," "continue," "believe," "expect" or "anticipate" or the negatives thereof, variations thereon or similar terminology. The forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report are generally located in the material set forth under the headings "Business" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," but may be found in other locations as well. These forward-looking statements generally relate to plans and objectives for future operations and are based upon management's reasonable estimates of future results or trends. The forwardlooking statements in this Annual Report should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that the objectives or plans of the Company will be achieved. Numerous factors could cause our actual results to differ materially from such forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, those risks and uncertainties, set forth under Item 1A, *Risk Factors*, which begins on page 17 of this report. Readers are encouraged to carefully review these risks and uncertainties.

All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or to persons acting on the Company's behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the foregoing. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of the document in which they are made. We disclaim any obligation or undertaking to provide any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement to reflect any change in its expectations or any change in events, conditions or circumstances in which the forward-looking statement is based.

#### Item 1. Business

Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. together with our subsidiaries (the "Company") is the largest specialty retailer of big & tall men's apparel with retail operations in the United States and London, England and direct businesses throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. We operate under the trade names of Casual Male XL, Casual Male XL Outlets, Rochester Clothing, B & T Factory Direct, Shoes XL and Living XL. We operate 395 Casual Male XL retail stores, 65 Casual Male XL outlet stores and 19 Rochester Clothing stores. Our direct business includes several catalogs and e-commerce sites which support our brands and product extensions. Unless the context indicates otherwise, all references to "we," "our," "ours," "us" and "the Company" refer to Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. and our consolidated subsidiaries. We refer to our fiscal years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008 as "fiscal 2009," "fiscal 2008" and "fiscal 2007," respectively.

#### HISTORY

Our Company was incorporated in the State of Delaware in 1976 under the name Designs, Inc. Until fiscal 1995, we operated exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. branded apparel mall and outlet stores. In May 2002, we acquired the Casual Male business from Casual Male Corp. at a bankruptcy court-ordered auction. At the time of the acquisition, Casual Male was the largest retailer of men's clothing in the big & tall market in the United States. As a result of the acquisition and the significance of it to the growth and future identity of our Company, on August 8, 2002, we changed our name to "Casual Male Retail Group, Inc."

Since the acquisition in 2002, we have invested approximately \$75.0 million, of the total \$114.6 million spent in capital over the past seven years, toward rebuilding our infrastructure, including:

modernizing our information technology, benefiting every aspect of our operations from distribution, global sourcing, store operations and merchandise planning to overall inventory management and profitability;



- updating and restructuring our distribution center with an enhanced warehousing application that significantly streamlined our distribution processes, enhanced our in-transit times and significantly reduced our costs;
- refreshing our real estate portfolio through our remodeling and relocation initiatives. Since 2002, we have remodeled approximately 265 of our Casual Male retail and outlet stores and have relocated another 59 to improved locations;
- acquiring Rochester Clothing in fiscal 2004, with its then 24 retail stores; and,
- re-branding all of our Casual Male stores, including all signage, from Casual Male Big & Tall to Casual Male XL. This name change helped to remove
  the stigma associated with the words "big & tall" and was positively received throughout the chain.

Over the same seven-year period, we have improved upon our business in a number of other ways to better service our customers, such as:

- assembling product assortments that appeal to our broad target market with varied demographics and socioeconomic levels;
- developing a store assortment planning methodology that matches each store location's apparel lifestyle preferences with a universal array of product assortments, all of which can be found on our five shopping websites;
- increasing the number of sizes we offer, which approximates 12 sizes in tops and 49 sizes in bottoms. We have sophisticated system applications to help optimize size management while maintaining an acceptable in-stock position by size in all of our locations;
- expanding our direct business from 5% of our sales in fiscal 2002, to almost 20% of our sales in fiscal 2009. Our multi-channel operation provides our
  customers with consistent product assortments, pricing, and marketing, emphasizing customer convenience; and,
- culturally shifting the focus of our field organization and call center to the apparel needs of our customers, helping them fulfill their wardrobe needs consistent with their lifestyles.

#### **OUR INDUSTRY**

The men's big & tall apparel market, which includes pants with a waist size of 42" and greater, as well as tops sized 1X and greater, generates approximately \$5.5 billion to \$6.0 billion in sales annually and represents approximately 13% of the overall men's apparel business. Growth in this segment has been driven by rapidly changing market demographics.

The men's big & tall apparel market is currently served by a variety of retailers, including department stores, mass merchandisers and specialty stores. These stores typically offer a limited assortment of sizes and styles. We estimate that our current market share is approximately 7.7% and believe that we have the potential to reach 12% and beyond. We believe that we can ultimately achieve this goal by catering to the broader target market, attracting customers from various incomes, age and lifestyle segments and offering the widest selection of sizes and styles. A substantial opportunity continues to exist for market share growth from the lower-size range of our market: men in the 42"-46" waist size. These sizes are usually at the high end of the size range for most retailers and, as a result, the selection is usually limited at such retailers.

#### **OUR BUSINESS**

We operate as a multi-channel retailer with three primary retail brands: B&T Factory Direct, Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing. The B&T Factory Direct customer is a value-oriented consumer focused primarily on his very basic apparel needs. The Casual Male XL customer is a consumer of primarily moderately priced branded and private label casual sportswear and dresswear, while our Rochester Clothing customer is a luxury-oriented consumer of fine quality, designer and branded menswear. Our objective is to appeal to all of our

customers by providing a good, better, best array of product assortments in all primary lifestyles with multiple and convenient ways to shop.

In addition to our e-commerce and catalog businesses for B&T Factory Direct, Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing, we operate international web stores for both brands in six European countries. Also, with shoes being an integral part of our customer's wardrobe, we operate a direct business, Shoes XL, to improve our penetration in the shoe product line. Lastly, our direct business, Living XL, specializes in high-quality household products which help larger people maintain a more comfortable lifestyle. These direct businesses are a natural extension of our store operations and extend the reach of our brands by offering an easy way for our customers to shop.

This multi-channel approach has enabled us to grow our business by offering a shopping alternative to the full spectrum of our potential target group. Through acquisitions, new business formats and new product development, we believe we cater to all income demographics from the value-oriented consumer to the high-end luxury-oriented consumer. We offer our customers merchandise in all lifestyles from casual to business, young to mature, in all sizes XL and up.

Another critical part of the business operation is managing the number of sizes offered to our customers and optimizing our in-stock position throughout the season. In the effort to improve our in-stock position of all sizes, during fiscal 2009, we systemically combined our retail and direct channel inventories. This move not only improved efficiencies, but also customer service. Moreover, our planning and allocation methodologies, with respect to store assortment planning, help to optimize each location's market potential without excessive inventory levels.

#### **B&T Factory Direct**

Under the B&T Factory Direct name, we operate a B&T Factory Direct catalog business as well as an e-commerce site, *www.btdirect.com*. This direct business enhances our existing Casual Male XL outlet stores, enabling us to provide a multi-channel shopping experience for the value-oriented customer. The merchandise offered in our "B&T Factory Direct" catalogs and on our website is an expanded selection but similar to the merchandise that can be found in our Casual Male XL outlet stores.

We offer a private label program, specifically for our Casual Male XL outlet stores and our B&T Factory Direct businesses, which is similar to our lifestyle private label lines found in our full-price retail stores but made at lower costs and sold at lower price points for our value-oriented customers. We currently carry *Canyon Ridge*, which is similar in style to our *Harbor Bay* product line, 555 *Turnpike*, which is targeted toward our younger customers similar to 626 *Blue*, and *Fuse*, a contemporary line similar in style to our *Synrgy* product line.

In addition, B&T Factory Direct will often feature special clearance opportunities of product obtained from Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing, offering the B&T Factory Direct customer the ability to purchase branded product and seasonally fashion product for a specially reduced price.

During fiscal 2009, we mailed 10 editions of our B&T Factory Direct catalog with a circulation of two million. Approximately 11% of our business is generated by B&T Factory Direct and our Casual Male XL outlet stores, which carry the B&T Factory Direct product. The demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of this market segment are value-oriented customers, which has significant growth potential for us. The B&T Factory Direct catalog and e-commerce business was started in 2007.

#### Casual Male

Our Casual Male business offers an extensive selection of quality sportswear, dress clothing and footwear for the big & tall customer at moderate prices. Our full-price Casual Male merchandise is sold through our 395 Casual Male XL retail stores, Casual Male XL catalogs and e-commerce site *www.casualmaleXL.com*.

#### Merchandise

The majority of the Casual Male merchandise is basic or fashion-neutral items, such as jeans, casual slacks, tee-shirts, polo shirts, dress shirts and suit separates. The Casual Male customer is primarily interested in comfort and fit, at a reasonable price. As such, Casual Male's clothing has features specifically designed for our customer, such as waist-relaxer pants, stretch belts, zipper ties, wide band socks, neck-relaxer shirts and clothing with comfort-stretch technology and reinforced stress points.

We carry several private label lines in our Casual Male XL retail stores and direct businesses which perform very strongly and represent approximately 70% of our sales:

- Harbor Bay was our first proprietary brand and it continues to represent a significant portion of our business, specifically our core basic merchandise.
   Harbor Bay is a traditional line of clothing which competes with the Dockers<sup>®</sup>, Izod<sup>®</sup> and Cutter & Buck<sup>®</sup> branded products.
- 626 Blue-Vintage Surplus ("626 Blue") is targeted toward a younger customer. 626 Blue introduces a younger lifestyle look that caters to a broader market, which is influenced by Abercrombie & Fitch and American Eagle. Our 626 Blue merchandise is comprised of premium washed denim, casual wovens and tee-shirts. This private label line has grown significantly over the past three years.
- Synrgy targets the customer looking for a contemporary look. The merchandise is inspired by Perry Ellis Portfolio and Calvin Klein's sportswear line.
- Oak Hill is a premier line catering to those customers looking for slightly more style and quality than our Harbor Bay but still in a traditional lifestyle.

In addition to our many private label lines, we carry several well-known brands of merchandise including: Polo Ralph Lauren, Nautica, Nautica Jeans Co., EcKo, Levi's<sup>®</sup>, Dockers<sup>®</sup>, Calvin Klein, Reebok<sup>®</sup>, Sean John, RocaWear and others.

Our private label brands, together with the traditional well-known brands, enable us to cater better to the various market segments of our overall target market. Our research has shown that we need to appeal to a variety of customers within the big & tall market in our efforts to become the preferred choice among big & tall men.

Our stores are merchandised to showcase entire outfits by lifestyle, including traditional, active, young men's, dresswear and contemporary. This format allows us to merchandise key items and seasonal goods in prominent displays and makes coordinating outfits easier for the customer while encouraging multiitem purchases. This lifestyle layout also allows us to better manage store space in each market to target local demographics. Stores are clustered to meet the demographic needs of customers by climate and ethnicity. The key item strategy is also fully integrated by lifestyle, allowing us to focus on merchandise presentation and offer our customers a compelling value proposition.

#### **Retail Operations**

#### Casual Male XL retail stores.

At January 30, 2010, we operated 395 Casual Male XL full-price retail stores, located primarily in strip centers, power centers or stand-alone locations. These stores offer a broad selection of basic sportswear, other casual apparel, dress wear and accessories, as well as a full complement of our private label collections. The average Casual Male XL retail store is approximately 3,658 square feet and has approximately \$165 in sales per square foot annually.

#### Casual Male XL outlet stores.

At January 30, 2010, we operated 65 Casual Male XL outlet stores designed to offer a wide range of casual clothing for the big & tall customer at prices that are generally 20-25% lower than those offered at our full-price retail stores. Much of the merchandise in the outlet stores is offered with the purchasing interests of the value-oriented customer in mind. The merchandise assortments and brands carried in the outlet stores are consistent with the merchandise strategies carried in our direct business, B&T Factory Direct, which is discussed above. The average Casual Male XL outlet store is approximately 3,188 square feet and has approximately \$185 in sales per square foot annually.

#### Casual Male XL Direct Businesses

Our direct businesses are a vital part of our multi-channel business, by allowing us to service our customers better whether from their home or in our store. Our direct businesses bridge that gap for us by encouraging and expecting our store associates to use our catalog and websites to help fulfill our customers' clothing needs. If an item is not available in our store, then our store associates can order the item for our customer through one of our direct channels and have it shipped to the store or directly to the customer. The success of this program represents 5% of our retail stores' sales, which are now derived from in-store orders placed through our direct channels.

Our Casual Male XL website, *www.casualmaleXL.com*, and our "Casual Male XL" catalogs offer an assortment of merchandise similar to what is available in the stores, but also offer a broader selection of brands, styles and sizes. During fiscal 2009, we issued 15 editions of our Casual Male XL catalogs and circulated over seven million catalogs. We also own the domain name *www.bigandtall.com*. This site acts as a portal to our Casual Male XL, Rochester Clothing, B&T Factory Direct, Living XL and Shoes XL websites in an effort to generate additional traffic.

Through our business relationship with Sears U.S. and Sears Canada, we offer selected Casual Male merchandise on their websites at *www.Sears.com* and *www.Sears.ca*. We also have a co-branded section in the Sears Canada catalog, in which we appeared in 3 editions during fiscal 2009.

#### **Rochester Business**

An important element to our business is our high-end, luxury fashion apparel offered by Rochester Clothing. Approximately 14% of our business is done by Rochester Clothing, although with our Destination XL strategic initiative to expand our business, Rochester Clothing product assortments can be efficiently offered in many more locations.

#### Merchandise

Our Rochester Clothing stores carry a broad selection of quality apparel, at higher price points, from well-known branded manufacturers such as Polo Ralph Lauren, Robert Graham, Joseph Abboud, Michael Kors, Ermenegildo Zegna, Cutter and Buck, Tommy Bahama, and Paul & Shark. The Rochester customer is able to find a wide range of apparel from traditional and modern sportswear to suits and accessories. These stores cater to our customer, offering a personal shopper-type experience, with experienced staff that has a strong knowledge of the merchandise and services, such as custom made-to-measure suiting and on-site tailoring.

We have also been building a private label program specifically for our Rochester customers. In fiscal 2009, we modified and re-launched this program, introducing higher quality merchandise to complement our branded merchandise. We currently carry three private label lines: *Rochester*<sup>TM</sup> is targeted as a classic traditional line offering sportswear, loungewear and dress shirts; *Castagne*<sup>TM</sup> is positioned as a more contemporary sportswear line; and *Society of One*, a jeans wear brand catering to the needs of the fashion denim customer. During fiscal

2009, we also increased our offering of suits and dress shirts under our *Rochester Black Label* private label and have seen very positive response to this line. All of our proprietary private brands feature the highest quality fabrications, details and construction. These brands represented approximately 10% of Rochester's sales for fiscal 2009. While we do not expect that private label will be as big of a contributor as it is in our Causal Male business, we do believe these lines have found a market with our customers.

Due to the high-end price points of our Rochester business, the decline in the economy during the past two fiscal years has had its greatest impact on our Rochester business. We strongly believe that the Rochester brand is an integral part of our overall objective of providing a shopping alternative to the full spectrum of our target customers, from the value-oriented customer to the high-end Rochester customer. As such, we undertook a few initiatives during fiscal 2009 to help mitigate the effect of the economy, such as: adding a selection of more moderately priced well-known branded apparel lines, improving the quality of our private label lines while maintaining strong merchandise margins and converting five of our Rochester locations into a new hybrid store format, which we discuss below under "Business Strategy."

#### **Retail Operations**

#### Rochester Clothing stores

At January 30, 2010, we operated 19 Rochester Clothing stores, located in major cities throughout the United States and one store in London, England. The Rochester Clothing stores provide the customer with high-end merchandise from well-recognized brands. The average Rochester Clothing store is approximately 8,116 square feet and has approximately \$239 in sales per square foot annually.

#### Rochester Clothing direct businesses

Because we currently have only 19 Rochester Clothing retail locations, which may not be accessible for many of our Rochester customers, our direct businesses are a significant portion of our overall Rochester business. Our "Rochester Big & Tall" catalog and *www.rochesterclothing.com* website offer an assortment of clothing that is similar to what can be found in our Rochester retail stores, with a broader selection in most cases. During fiscal 2009, we issued 13 editions of the Rochester Big & Tall catalog with a circulation of 2.3 million.

#### **Our Other Direct Businesses**

#### Shoes XL

Our website *www.shoesXL.com* carries a complete line of men's footwear in extended sizes. This website offers our customers a full range of footwear in hard-to-find sizes. Our plan is to significantly increase our sales penetration in the shoe product category to levels which are more in line with men's apparel spending for shoes. The assortment on Shoes XL is a reflection of our apparel, with a broad assortment from moderate to luxury and from casual to formal. Shoes XL currently has a selection of more than 500 styles of shoes, ranging in sizes from 10M to 18M and widths up to 5E. We carry a number of designer brands including Cole Haan, Allen Edmonds, Timberland, Calvin Klein, Lacoste and Bruno Magli. Shoes XL is also supported with a catalog. In fiscal 2009, we mailed four editions with a circulation of over one million.

In addition, we have added the expanded shoe assortments within our existing Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing catalogs, including on our websites, *www.casualmaleXL.com*, *www.btdirect.com* and *www.rochesterclothing.com*, as well as featuring the entire shoe product assortments on *www.shoesXL.com*.

#### Living XL

Our Living XL business, which includes our website *www.livingxl.com* and our Living XL catalogs, specializes in the selling of select unique, high-quality products which help larger people maintain a more comfortable lifestyle. The types of products sold on our website and in our catalogs benefit both men and women and include chairs, outdoor accessories, travel accessories, bed and bath and fitness equipment. During fiscal 2009, we mailed 9 editions of our Living XL catalog with a circulation of 1.8 million.

#### International Web Stores

Launched in late 2008, we operate online stores for both our Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing brands in six European countries: U.K., Germany, France, Italy, Spain and the Netherlands. We engage GSI Commerce, Inc. ("GSI"), a leading provider of e-commerce solutions, for the design, development and operations of the 12 online stores. GSI provides the Web store design, order processing, fulfillment and customer call center services for each of the Web stores. Each online store is tailored to the specific European country in which it operates and includes country-specific components, such as online payment processing, content translation and customer service.

## **BUSINESS STRATEGY**

While our short-term goals over the past eighteen months have been primarily focused on maintaining a strong liquidity position and generating free cash flow during the recent economic recession, our long-term goal continues to be market share growth and overall improved profitability. Through strong inventory management, improved merchandise margins and expense reductions, during fiscal 2009, we were able to offset the decrease in sales that occurred as a result of the drop in consumer retail traffic and improve operating profitability and free cash flow.

With our current business in a stable, profitable and cash generating position, we are ready to pursue new opportunities that would strengthen our multichannel experience for our existing customers while attracting new target customers to help us achieve our long-term objective of market share growth. We have a very diverse customer base which we currently service essentially through our three separate businesses, B&T Factory Direct, Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing. Our customers have diverse lifestyles, ages, income levels and shopping habits. Increasing our market share is dependent on us being able to appeal to this entire diverse market. Presently, our customers are somewhat segregated by income demographics, with Rochester representing the high-end while B&T Factory Direct represents the value-end. This makes it difficult for our customers to have the ability to experience the extensive range of merchandise at a broad range of price points that we have to offer. We believe that by developing a store concept that could cater to all aspects of this diverse customer group will lead to market share growth for us.

During fiscal 2009, we tested a new hybrid store format in five of our existing Rochester stores. The hybrid store format is a combination Casual Male XL store and a Rochester Clothing store. The combination allows our customers to see an extended offering of our merchandise across both brands. Approximately 70% of sales for these hybrid stores were derived from our Casual Male brands with the balance being from our Rochester brands. Through the end of fiscal 2009, even though our hybrid locations experienced similar sales trends as our other stores, the average store volume improved by 50% compared to the combined results of the two stand-alone locations in the prior year. Each combined location was substantially more profitable than the previous stand-alone locations. Furthermore, the hybrid stores' test of customer acceptance of cross-brand shopping was successful.

#### Coming Fiscal 2010 – "Destination XL"

Working with JGA, one of the nation's leading retail design, brand strategy and architectural firms, during fiscal 2010 we plan to open the first big & tall men's superstore. In an effort to expand upon the success of our

hybrids and appeal to our entire customer base by offering a comprehensive selection of all the merchandise that we have to offer, we will be launching Destination XL<sup>TM</sup>. We know that our customer tends to be a destination shopper when it comes to purchasing apparel for himself, so we want to ensure that our customers can meet their multiple shopping needs in one trip to our store.

Destination XL will be a supercenter, averaging 11,000 square feet, catering to the many retail needs of our customers by offering a full assortment from all of our core brands, including the moderately priced Casual Male XL, the high-end fashion of Rochester Clothing, and the value-oriented offering of B&T Factory Direct, as well as expanded assortments of Shoes XL and Living XL. Our stores will not be organized by brands but rather by neighborhoods, with each neighborhood representing a lifestyle; such as *Club*, for traditional clothing and suits, *Studio*, for young mens, and *Essentials*, for our core basics. Within each neighborhood, we will provide our customers with multiple brands at varying price points using a good, better and best approach. We also want to create an atmosphere in each store that makes the shopping experience enjoyable, not rushed. In addition to the store being very spacious with wide aisles, our stores will also have a feeling of family entertainment, with sport lounges, pool tables, gaming stations and a section dedicated to each store's home sport teams.

Initially, we plan to open 5 prototype stores during fiscal 2010. The ideal locations for this concept will be strip malls or standalone locations within a strip or mini-mall.

To complete this initiative, we will also be launching our Destination XL website. Similar to our new store concept, our e-commerce site will be organized by micro-sites, with tabs to enable our customers the ability to shop by lifestyle or brand or group of clothing. They will be able to shop across various brands with the convenience of one shopping cart.

The economic proposition of the Destination XL concept is greater sales productivity and efficiencies and, therefore, higher operating margins and enhanced rates of return on capital. In addition, the Destination XL concept has an opportunity to increase market share and, therefore, grow sales volumes by either capturing a greater percentage of our existing customers' annual clothing budget, or by attracting a higher penetration of our target market, whose waist size is between 42'-46'. If the Destination XL test stores are successful, we believe that markets with a population greater than 750,000 would support at least one Destination XL store concept. A potential roll-out of the Destination XL store format will require a real estate transformation and would require five or more years to realize.

#### MERCHANDISE PLANNING AND ALLOCATION

Our merchandise planning and allocation area is critical to the effective management of our inventory, store assortments, product sizes and overall gross margin profitability. The merchandise planning and allocation team has an array of planning and replenishment tools available to assist in maintaining an appropriate level of inventory, in-stock positions at the store and direct levels, and pre-season planning for product assortments for each store and the direct channels. Additionally, in-season reporting identifies opportunities and challenges in inventory performance. Over the past several years, we have made important investments in implementing best practice tools and processes.

Our core merchandise makes up over 40% of our Casual Male assortment and over 25% of our Rochester assortment. Our planning and allocation team estimates quantity and demand several months in advance to optimize gross margin and minimize end-of-season merchandise for all seasonal merchandise. We have implemented an all-channel assortment planning methodology that customizes each store's assortment to accentuate lifestyle preferences for each store.

Our merchandising data warehouse provides the merchandising team with standardized reporting for monitoring assortment performance by product category and by store, identifying in-stock positions by size and generally monitoring overall inventory levels relative to selling. At season end, we analyze the overall

performance of product category, overall assortments and specific styles by store to focus on the opportunities and challenges for the next season's pre-season planning cycle.

During the season, we utilize a markdown optimization tool developed internally to closely monitor the selling performance of our fashion assortments and compare against the planned selling curves. When actual selling performance significantly drops below planned selling curves, we will make in-season pricing adjustments so that we maintain planned levels of residual fashion product at season's end.

Utilizing a set of specific universal reporting tools we are able to fulfill the daily, weekly and monthly roles and responsibilities of the merchandise planning and allocation team. These reporting tools provide focused and actionable views of the business to optimize the overall assortment by category and by store. We believe that by having all members of the merchandise planning and allocation team follow a standardize set of processes with the use of standardize reporting tools, our inventory performance will be optimized.

### **STORE OPERATIONS**

We believe that our store associates are the key to creating the highest quality visit for our customers. In fiscal 2008, we began a three-year program to change the culture of our stores from essentially an operationally-driven organization to a sales-driven, customer relationship organization. Our overall goal is to help our associates become less task oriented and more focused on serving the customer. We want our associates to help our customers meet their apparel needs by building their wardrobes, not just selling our customers an item. In order to do this, we have invested in educating our associates. Our training approach not only provides product knowledge but also behavioral training; we are teaching our associates how to interact with each customer and strengthen and build upon their relationships with their customers. Because a key component to the success of this program is having the right caliber of store associates, in fiscal 2009, we outsourced the sourcing of qualified store associate candidates to a national workforce solution company.

We are also able to gauge the effectiveness of this training by measuring sales productivity at each level of the field organization, including individual sales associates. We believe that these education programs, together with monitoring sales metrics to help identify opportunities for further training, will add to our brand loyalty with our customers, while also improving sales productivity.

Our field organization is overseen by our Senior Vice President of Store Sales and Operations and is comprised of approximately 31 District Managers who provide management development and guidance to individual store managers. Our organization is divided among four geographical regions, each region consisting of 7 to 10 District Managers depending on the number of stores and the distance between them. Each District Manager is responsible for hiring and developing store managers at the stores assigned to that District Manager's area and for the overall operations and profitability of those stores. District Managers report to one of our four Regional Directors, each of whom reports directly to our Senior Vice President of Store Sales and Operations. The Regional Directors and Senior Vice President of Store Sales and Operations coordinate all sales and operations initiatives and activities.

Each Casual Male XL store is staffed with a store manager, assistants and associates. Each store manager is responsible for achieving certain sales and operational targets and is entitled to receive bonuses based on achieving those targets. Each Rochester store is staffed with a store manager, assistant managers and sales associates. Rochester stores have an incentive-based compensation plan for managers and selling staff.

#### MARKETING AND ADVERTISING

Our marketing department creates and implements a wide variety of national, regional and local advertising, direct marketing and sales promotion programs. These direct mail and e-mail programs are designed to increase sales and customer awareness of all of our business channels, which include Casual Male XL, Rochester

Clothing, B&T Factory Direct, Living XL and Shoes XL. The primary component to our marketing budget is our direct mail campaigns to our customer databases. With the majority of sales captured in our customer database, we maintain the largest customer database of purchasers of big & tall clothing. Our direct mail and e-mail programs allow continuous communication with our customers both for promotional events as well as relationship programs such as the birthday club and new customer loyalty programs. In addition, local store marketing activities occur on a regular basis and include store opening events and in-store promotion programs.

Advertising and marketing costs for all channels of our businesses represent approximately 4.8% of our total revenue for fiscal 2009, or approximately \$19.1 million. This includes creating and distributing catalogs, retail direct mail pieces and in-store signage for our Casual Male XL business, Rochester business, as well as our supporting e-commerce businesses, including B&T Factory Direct, Living XL and Shoes XL, with active internet marketing programs.

In addition, we have a very active e-mail campaign updating all of our customers about the latest fashions, wardrobe ideas, promotional discounts and clearance specials.

We manage a customer loyalty program for our Casual Male XL customers. At of the end of fiscal 2009, approximately 95% of our Casual Male active retail customers were enrolled in this program and 80% of all of our active Casual Male customers, both direct and retail, were enrolled. Under the program, customers accumulate points based on purchase activity and earn rewards by reaching certain point thresholds. Rewards earned are valid through the stated expiration date, which is approximately three months from the mailing date and can be redeemed for a discount on a future purchase of merchandise from us. Rewards not redeemed during the three-month redemption period are forfeited. In fiscal 2009, we modified and expanded our current loyalty program. Under the revised program, the point threshold under which rewards are earned was increased, but the value of the earned award as a percentage of points is greater. In addition, points accumulate on a calendar year and will reset with the beginning of a new year.

In March 2009, we rolled out a new level of our loyalty program, Prestige XL. Prestige XL is a rewards program for our top highest-spending customers. This group of individuals spends on average over \$1,000 per year. The objective of this program is to recognize these customers and continue to build brand loyalty with them, which closely aligns with our overall store operation objective of building strong customer service. Our store associates are able to identify our Prestige XL customer and cater to his shopping needs. The customer receives specialized benefits including double points, preferred sales, special e-commerce offers and catalog shout-outs. Only a select few are invited to join the Prestige XL program and enrollment will only be for one year. Each year we will award our past year's highest spending customers a Prestige XL loyalty card.

We utilize a customer relationship management ("CRM") system which allows us to expand our level of communication to our customers, and makes available pertinent customer information at the store level, with the goal of servicing the customer better. With the customer database maintained at the corporate office, our business has daily results on its direct marketing efforts and has the ability to respond to business immediately. Our sales associates now have an array of information available about their customers. Through the CRM real-time database, our sales associates are able to access valuable information on each customer's buying patterns, preferences and sizes.

For fiscal 2010, we have slightly increased our marketing budget by approximately \$1.5 million to approximately \$20.7 million, primarily to support the launch of our new Destination XL concept. Our overall focus and marketing objectives for fiscal 2010 will remain consistent with the past year. We plan to continue to focus on our existing loyal customer base through our direct mail and email programs. In general, mass-media advertising and prospecting of new customers will be minimal. However, some mass media advertising and new customer prospecting may occur in local markets in connection with our Destination XL launch. During fiscal 2009, we began tailoring our circulation towards our more active customers and reducing the number of circulations to our less productive customers. By focusing on this more active group of customers, we are able to improve our productivity while minimizing our costs.

## **GLOBAL SOURCING**

We manage a growing direct sourcing program for our private label merchandise. During fiscal 2009, over 70% of our Casual Male merchandise is from our private label product lines. All channels within Casual Male and, on a smaller scale, Rochester, have benefited from our direct sourcing initiatives resulting in increased markups as compared to our brand-name product lines. In addition to direct sourcing of apparel, we began the direct sourcing of Living XL in fiscal 2008.

We have developed business relationships with five specialized apparel buying agents to oversee our production, quality control, and social compliance for the Eastern Hemisphere. In addition, our global sourcing team works directly with factories in Central and South America. Our global sourcing strategy is a balanced approach considering both cost and lead time, depending on the requirements of the program.

We require each vendor and factory to adhere to our Code of Conduct, which is designed to ensure that the operations of each of our business associates are conducted in a legal, ethical and responsible manner. Our Code of Conduct requires that each of our business associates operates in compliance with the applicable wage, benefit and working hours and other laws of each of the respective countries in which we do business and forbids the use of practices such as child labor or forced labor. We oversee and manage our compliance program internally. We contract with a third-party compliance audit firm to make periodic visits to the factories that produce our merchandise to monitor compliance, including prequalification for new suppliers. All of our agents have their own compliance programs which supplement our program.

In an effort to minimize foreign currency risk, all payments to our direct sourced vendors and buying agents are made in U.S. dollars through the use of letters of credit or payment on account. In fiscal 2009, approximately 30% of our merchandise product flow was directly sourced by our Global Sourcing group.

#### DISTRIBUTION

All of our distribution operations, with the exception of our International Web stores, are centralized in our headquarters and distribution center located in Canton, Massachusetts. See discussion above regarding our International Web Stores.

We believe that having one centralized distribution facility minimizes the delivered cost of merchandise and maximizes the in-stock position of our stores. We believe that the centralized distribution system enables our stores to maximize selling space by reducing necessary levels of back-room stock carried in each store. In addition, the distribution center provides order fulfillment services for our e-commerce and catalog businesses.

Since 2003, we have utilized United Parcel Services ("UPS") for all our store shipments as well as all domestic customer deliveries. This association with UPS has improved our distribution capabilities while also reducing our shipping costs. By utilizing UPS, we are able to track all deliveries from the warehouse to our individual stores, including the status of in-transit shipments. In addition, we are able to provide our customers with Authorized Return Service and Web labels, making returns more convenient for them. Our current contract with UPS is through December 2013.

We utilize the Manhattan Associates' PKMS warehousing application for our distribution center systems, which has significantly streamlined our distribution processes, enhanced our in-transit times, and significantly reduced our distribution costs. In addition, we have slightly altered our distribution strategy as it relates to seasonal merchandise to allow for replenishment of styles at the color and size level which has optimized sales opportunities and minimized our end of season clearance markdowns. This seasonal merchandise distribution strategy requires a significantly higher volume of individual piece processing, a more costly distribution method in contrast to carton handling. However, in conjunction with the installation of a more efficient PKMS warehousing application, we have also updated our processes in order to optimize the new system's capabilities

in areas such as receiving, cross-dock handling, put-away, and picking including the use of scanning equipment. Accordingly, in spite of the shift in distribution strategy to include the more costly piece replenishment, our distribution costs have decreased and are expected to continue to decrease as a result of the new systems and the adoption of updated process flows. In-bound calls and order fulfillment for our direct businesses are also currently handled at our Canton facility.

## MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Our management information systems consist of a full range of retail merchandising and financial systems which include merchandise planning and reporting, distribution center processing, inventory allocation, sales reporting, and financial processing and reporting. Our business operates primarily on an IBM AS/400 platform, with the e-commerce/catalog business on the HP environment. We believe that our current infrastructure provides us the ability and capacity to process transactions more efficiently and provides our management team with comprehensive tools with which to manage our business.

Our suite of merchandising systems consists of the JDA Portfolio Solutions, specifically the MMS Merchandise Management System, Retail Ideas Data Warehouse, and Arthur Merchandise Planning and Advanced Allocation systems. In addition, we also utilize JDA's E3 Advanced Replenishment system to optimize fill back from vendors and adjustments from seasonal profiles which we believe has improved sales opportunities and control over our inventory of basic merchandise. For our distribution operations, we use Manhattan Associates' PKMS distribution system. These systems have enabled us to improve sales, better manage inventory levels and streamline operations.

All of our stores have state-of-the-art point-of-sale ("POS") terminals supplied by IBM. The business is supported by a POS business application provided by Epicor, formerly NSB Group. The POS applications capture daily transaction information by item, color and size. Communication between our corporate headquarters and all of our stores is facilitated on a daily basis through the use of an electronic mail system. The POS system includes a multitude of features including CRM tools that enable us to track customer buying habits and provide us with the ability to target customers with specific offers and promotions.

Our web sites have all been standardized on a state-of-the-art platform from Art Technology Group. We also implemented the e-SPS Product Life Cycle Management system from NGC to support the growth of our direct sourcing initiatives. To support the marketing area, we implemented the PlanSystem3 environment from Quad-Systems to manage marketing assets, schedule promotions and monitor activities.

Our merchandising management systems are updated daily with all store transactions and provide daily sales, inventory, pricing and merchandise information and management reports to assist us in operating our retail business. Our merchandising system applications also facilitate the placement and tracking of purchase orders and utilize EDI technology. We evaluate this information, together with weekly reports on merchandise statistics, prior to making decisions regarding reorders of fast-selling items and the allocation of merchandise.

Using QuantiSense, a business intelligence and data warehousing application, we are able to provide our management team with the ability to integrate data from several sources into reports that are useful and easily obtained. With its customized reporting capabilities, we have visibility down to the lowest level: style, SKU and store. Over the past few years, we have developed customized reporting that has been extremely beneficial to our business. With the use of this software, we now have store grading applications and size scaling to the store level. During fiscal 2008, we completed the customization of our merchandise allocation roles and created a standardized set of "best practices." During fiscal 2009, we designed similar sets of standardized best practices for our planning group. These reporting and processing enhancements will allow us to further improve our inventory management.

Since we acquired Casual Male in fiscal 2002, the infrastructure of our management information systems has consistently been a priority to us. The investments that we have made in this regard have substantially improved our overall efficiency and most importantly have enabled us to better manage our most valuable asset – our inventory. Even though we considerably reduced our capital expenditures for fiscal 2009 and expect only slightly higher levels for fiscal 2010, there were several projects which we believe needed to occur as they enable us to further streamline our operations and ultimately result in future cost savings.

The largest of these projects was the establishment of one chain-wide inventory system. Prior to fiscal 2009, our direct businesses and retail businesses maintained separate inventory systems. During fiscal 2009, we completed the integration of these systems so that our inventory is shared among all channels of our business. The completion of this project provides numerous benefits to us including eliminating the redundancy of inventory items that currently exist as a result of managing two systems and, from an operational perspective, it simplifies the ordering process considerably.

Along similar lines, during fiscal 2010, we plan to integrate our primary merchandise management system with our product lifecycle management system. The completion of this project will provide our merchants and sourcing department with full visibility and automation from purchase order to received shipments, which is increasingly more important as our private label program continues to grow.

During fiscal 2010 we will also be working to upgrade our websites to the latest platform, which will have internal benefits as well as improve our customers' shopping experience. In the second half of fiscal 2010, we also plan to launch our Destination XL website which will include the latest in best practices, features and functions. We will be adding enhanced advanced search programs allowing more complex faceted searches. Our primary short-term goal is to maintain and strengthen our relationship with our customer: when they visit our direct businesses on-line, we want to ensure that the experience is effortless and that they find what they are looking for.

Our Casual Male and Rochester system platforms will be merged to deliver greater efficiencies and open our full product assortment to all of our business formats.

## **COMPETITION**

Our business faces competition from a variety of sources, including department stores, mass merchandisers, other specialty stores and discount and offprice retailers, as well as other retailers that sell big & tall merchandise. While we have successfully competed on the basis of merchandise selection, favorable pricing, customer service and desirable store locations, there can be no assurances that other retailers will not adopt purchasing and marketing concepts similar to ours. In addition, discount retailers with significant buying power, such as Wal-Mart, J.C. Penney and Kohl's, represent a source of competition for us.

The United States men's big & tall apparel market is highly competitive with many national and regional department stores, specialty apparel retailers, single market operators and discount stores offering a broad range of apparel products similar to ours. Besides retail competitors, we consider any casual apparel manufacturer operating in outlet malls throughout the United States to be a competitor in the casual apparel market. We believe that we are the only national operator of apparel stores focused on the men's big & tall market.

The catalog business has several competitors, including the King Size Catalog (which is owned by Redcats USA, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pinault-Printemps-Redoute, SA of France) and J.C. Penney's Big & Tall Collection catalog.



## SEASONALITY

Historically, and consistent with the retail industry, we have experienced seasonal fluctuations as it relates to our operating income and net income. Traditionally, a significant portion of our operating income and net income is generated in the fourth quarter, as a result of the "Holiday" season.

## TRADEMARKS/TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENTS

We own several servicemarks and trademarks relating to our businesses, including, among others, "Casual Male<sup>®</sup>", "Casual Male XL<sup>TM</sup>", "B&T Factory Direct<sup>TM</sup>", "Rochester Big & Tall<sup>TM</sup>", "Harbor Bay<sup>®</sup>", "Oak Hill<sup>TM</sup>", "Flex-Zone<sup>TM</sup>", "Comfort Zone<sup>TM</sup>", "Synrgy<sup>TM</sup>", "Society of One<sup>TM</sup>", "Castagne<sup>TM</sup>", "Destination XL<sup>TM</sup>" and "DXL<sup>TM</sup>". We also have a U.S. patent for an extendable collar system, which is marketed as "Neck-Relaxer<sup>®</sup>."

#### **EMPLOYEES**

As of January 30, 2010, we employed approximately 2,529 associates, of whom 1,560 were full-time personnel. We hire additional temporary employees during the peak Fall and Holiday seasons. None of our employees are represented by any collective bargaining agreement.

#### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

Our corporate website is *www.casualmaleXL.com*. We make available, free of charge, through our website our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to such reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as soon as reasonably practicable after we have electronically filed such material with, or furnished such materials to, the Securities and Exchange Commission. The SEC maintains an internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information for issuers that file electronically with the SEC at *http://www.sec.gov*.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

The following discussion identifies certain important factors that could affect our financial position, our actual results of operations and our actions and could cause our financial position, results of operations and our actions to differ materially from any forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of our Company. Other factors, which are not identified herein, could also have such an effect.

The following risk factors are all of the important factors of which we are aware that could cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed in any of our forward-looking statements. We operate in a continually changing business environment and new risk factors emerge from time to time. Other unknown or unpredictable factors also could have material adverse effects on our future results, performance or achievements. We cannot assure you that projected results or events will be achieved or will occur.

#### **Risks Related to Our Company and Our Industry**

## Although the disruptions in the capital and credit markets related to the recent national and world-wide financial crisis appear to be improving, any reoccurrence could adversely affect our results of operations, cash flows and financial condition, or those of our customers and vendors.

The recent disruptions in the capital and credit markets or the re-occurrence of those disruptions could adversely impact our results of operations, cash flows and financial condition, or those of our customers and vendors. Disruptions in the capital and credit markets as a result of uncertainty, changing or increased regulation, reduced alternatives or failures of significant financial institutions could adversely affect our access to liquidity. Such disruptions may also adversely impact the capital needs of our customers and vendors, which, in turn, could adversely affect our results of operations, cash flows and financial condition.

#### Our business is seasonal and is affected by general economic conditions.

Like most other retail businesses, our business is seasonal. Historically, approximately 50% or more of our operating income has been generated during November, December and January. Like other retail businesses, our operations may be negatively affected by local, regional or national economic conditions, such as levels of disposable consumer income, consumer debt, interest rates and consumer confidence. As we experienced during fiscal 2008 and 2009, the recent economic downturn caused consumers to reduce their spending, which negatively affected our sales. A sustained economic downturn would have had an adverse affect on our results of operations.

#### Our business may be adversely affected by economic and foreign issues abroad.

Economic and civil unrest in areas of the world where we source merchandise for our global sourcing program, as well as shipping and docking issues could adversely impact the availability and cost of such merchandise. Political instability, the financial instability of our suppliers, merchandise quality issues, trade restrictions, tariffs, currency exchange rates, transport capacity and costs, inflation and other factors relating to foreign trade are beyond our control. In the event of disruptions or delays in deliveries due to economic or political conditions in foreign countries, such disruptions or delays could adversely affect our results of operations unless and until alternative supply arrangements could be made. These and other issues affecting our suppliers could adversely affect our business and financial performance.

#### We are dependent on third parties for the manufacture of the merchandise we sell.

We do not own or operate any manufacturing facilities and are therefore entirely dependent on third parties for the manufacture of the merchandise we sell. Without adequate supplies of merchandise to sell to our

customers in the merchandise styles and fashions demanded by our particular customer base, sales would decrease materially and our business would suffer. With the current financial state of the economy, the financial stability of our vendors becomes a greater risk. We are dependent on their ability to fulfill our merchandise orders and meet our delivery terms. Furthermore, over approximately 70% of our merchandise is branded merchandise made specifically for Casual Male and our customers. In the event that manufacturers are unable or unwilling to ship products to us in a timely manner or continue to manufacture products for us, we would have to rely on other current manufacturing sources or identify and qualify new manufacturers. We might not be able to identify or qualify such manufacturers for existing or new products in a timely manner and such manufacturers might not allocate sufficient capacity to us in order to meet our requirements. Our inability to secure adequate and timely supplies of private label merchandise would negatively impact proper inventory levels, sales and gross margin rates, and ultimately our results of operations.

In addition, even if our current manufacturers continue to manufacture our products, they may not maintain adequate controls with respect to product specifications and quality and may not continue to produce products that are consistent with our standards. If we are forced to rely on products of inferior quality, then our brand recognition and customer satisfaction would likely suffer. These manufacturers may also increase the cost to us of the products we purchase from them.

#### If our suppliers increase our costs, our margins may be adversely affected.

A significant portion of our merchandise is directly imported from other countries, and U.S. domestic suppliers who source their goods from other countries supply most of our remaining merchandise. In the event that commercial transportation is curtailed or substantially delayed, we may not be able to maintain adequate inventory levels of important merchandise on a consistent basis, which would negatively impact our sales and potentially erode the confidence of our customer base, leading to further loss of sales and an adverse impact on our results of operations.

In extreme circumstances, it may be necessary to close less productive stores so as to consolidate important merchandise categories into our most productive stores, which would severely impact our results of operations and cash flow.

#### Our success significantly depends on our key personnel and our ability to attract and retain additional personnel.

Our future success is dependent on the personal efforts, performance and abilities of our key management which includes our executive officers as well as several significant members of our senior management. For example, the loss of the services of David Levin, our President and Chief Executive Officer, or Dennis Hernreich, our Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer, each of whom is an integral part of our daily operations and are primary decision makers in all our important operating matters, could significantly impact our business until adequate replacements can be identified and put in place. The loss of any of our senior management may result in a loss of organizational focus, poor operating execution, an inability to identify and execute potential strategic initiatives, an impairment in our ability to identify new store locations, and an inability to consummate possible acquisitions.

These adverse results could, among other things, reduce potential revenues, prevent us from diversifying our product lines and geographic concentrations, and expose us to downturns in our markets. The competition is intense for the type of highly skilled individuals with relevant industry experience that we require and we may not be able to attract and retain new employees of the caliber needed to achieve our objectives.

#### The loss of, or disruption in, our centralized distribution center could negatively impact our business and operations.

All merchandise for our stores and ecommerce operations is received into our centralized distribution center in Canton, Massachusetts, where the inventory is then processed, sorted and shipped to our stores. We depend in large part on the orderly operation of this receiving and distribution process, which depends, in turn, on adherence to shipping schedules and effective management of the distribution center. Although we believe that our receiving and distribution process is efficient and well-positioned to support our strategic plans, events beyond our control, such as disruptions in operations due to fire or other catastrophic events, employee matters or shipping problems, could result in delays in the delivery of merchandise to our stores.

With all of our management information systems centralized in our corporate headquarters, any disruption or destruction of our system infrastructure would materially affect our business. This type of disaster is mitigated by our offsite storage and disaster recovery plans, but we would still incur business interruption which could impact our business for several weeks.

Although we maintain business interruption and property insurance, we cannot be sure that our insurance will be sufficient, or that insurance proceeds will be timely paid to us, in the event our distribution center is shut down for any reason or if we incur higher costs and longer lead times in connection with a disruption from our distribution center.

## Our business may be negatively impacted and we may be liable if third parties misappropriate proprietary information of our customers and breach our security systems.

Any security breach could expose us to risks of loss, litigation and liability and could adversely affect our operations. If third parties are able to penetrate our network security or otherwise misappropriate the personal information or credit card information of our customers or if third parties gain unauthorized and improper access to such information, we could be subject to liability. This liability could include claims for unauthorized purchases with credit card information, impersonation or other similar fraud claims. They could also include claims for other misuses of personal information, including unauthorized marketing purposes. These claims could result in litigation. Liability for misappropriation of this information could be significant. Further, if a third party were to use this proprietary customer information in order to compete with us, it could have a material adverse impact on our business and could result in litigation.

We have been Payment Card Industry ("PCI") compliant since 2007, which we believe is important in ensuring that our security systems are protected.

#### We face greater challenges in managing several brands in multiple channels of distribution.

Several retailers have had problems executing a corporate strategy aimed at operating multiple brands in multiple channels. We have expertise in the outlet channel of distribution, but our acquisition of Casual Male in 2002 caused us to conduct operations in the specialty store and internet channels of distribution. We are now also responsible for all aspects of brand management with respect to the Casual Male brand and the Rochester brand, including advertising and promotion, and the servicing and merchandising of private label merchandise. With respect to our branded merchandise, this function is mostly the responsibility of the specific manufacturer of the brand. If the managing of multiple brands within multiple channels is poorly executed, we will not achieve our expected level of profitability, and could ultimately be compelled to eliminate the multiple brand strategy so that the organization may focus on a single brand strategy.

#### We may not be successful in growing our market share.

A large part of our growth has resulted from our acquisition of the Casual Male business in May 2002 and our acquisition of Rochester Clothing in October 2004 and the increased sales volume and profitability provided

by these acquisitions. We believe that our current level of stores is sufficient to sustain our business and we are not dependent on adding new stores to increase our sales volume and profitability. However, for us to be successful in the future and maintain growth, we must be able to continue increasing our market share within the big & tall industry. Our growth is dependent on us being successful in attracting new target customers into our stores, catalogs and e-commerce sites. We cannot assure you that our strategic plans will be successful in attracting customers and growing our market share.

#### Our business is highly competitive, and competitive factors may reduce our revenues and profit margins.

The United States men's big & tall apparel market is highly competitive with many national and regional department stores, mass merchandisers, specialty apparel retailers and discount stores offering a broad range of apparel products similar to the products that we sell. Besides retail competitors, we consider any manufacturer of big & tall merchandise operating in outlet malls throughout the United States to be a competitor. It is also possible that another competitor, either a mass merchant or a men's specialty store or specialty apparel catalog, could gain market share in men's big & tall apparel due to more favorable pricing, locations, brand and fashion assortment and size availability. Many of our competitors and potential competitors may have substantially greater financial, manufacturing and marketing resources than we do. The presence in the marketplace of various fashion trends and the limited availability of shelf space also can affect competition. We may not be able to compete successfully with our competitors in the future and could lose brand recognition and market share. A significant loss of market share would adversely affect our revenues and results of operations.

#### We may be unable to predict fashion trends and customer preferences successfully.

Customer tastes and fashion trends are volatile and tend to change rapidly. Our success depends in large part upon our ability to predict effectively and respond to changing fashion tastes and consumer demands and to translate market trends to appropriate saleable product offerings. If we are unable to predict or respond to changing styles or trends successfully and misjudge the market for products or any new product lines, our sales will be lower and we may be faced with a substantial amount of unsold inventory or missed opportunities. In response, we may be forced to rely on additional markdowns or promotional sales to dispose of excess, slow-moving inventory, which would decrease our revenues and margins. In addition, the failure to satisfy consumer demand could have serious longer-term consequences, such as an adverse impact on our brand value and the loss of market share to our competitors.

## Our marketing programs and success in maintaining and building our brand awareness are critical to achieving successful market share growth within the big & tall industry.

Our success in increasing our market share in the big & tall apparel business is largely dependent on maintaining our favorable brand recognition and effectively marketing our merchandise to all of our target customers in several diverse market segments. In order to grow our brand recognition and our market share, we depend on the successful development of our brands through several means including advertising events, direct mail marketing, e-commerce and catalog marketing and customer prospecting. Our business is directly impacted by the success of these efforts and those of our vendors. Future advertising efforts by us, our vendors or our other licensors may be costly and may not result in increased market share or revenues.

#### The loss of any of our key trademarks or licenses could adversely affect demand for our products.

We own and use a number of trademarks and operate under several trademark license agreements. We believe that these trademarks have significant value and are instrumental in our ability to create and sustain demand for and to market our products. We cannot assure you that these trademarks and licensing agreements will remain in effect and enforceable or that any license agreements, upon expiration, can be renewed on acceptable terms or at all. In addition, any future disputes concerning these trademarks and licenses may cause us to incur significant litigation costs or force us to suspend use of the disputed trademarks.

#### Acts of terrorism or a catastrophic event could negatively impact our operating results and financial condition.

Unforeseen events, including war, terrorism and other international conflicts, public health issues, and natural disasters such as earthquakes, hurricanes or other adverse weather and climate conditions, whether occurring in the U.S. or abroad, could disrupt our operations, or the operations of our vendors and other suppliers, or result in political or economic instability.

The continued threat of terrorism and heightened security measures in response to an act of terrorism may disrupt commerce and undermine consumer confidence which could negatively impact our sales by causing consumer spending to decline. Furthermore, an act of terrorism or war, or the threat thereof, could negatively impact our business by interfering with our ability to obtain merchandise from vendors or substitute suppliers at similar costs in a timely manner.

#### **Risks Related to Our Corporate Structure and Stock**

### Our stock price has been and may continue to be extremely volatile due to many factors.

The market price of our common stock has fluctuated in the past and may increase or decrease rapidly in the future depending on news announcements and changes in general market conditions. Since January 1, 2003, the closing price of our common stock has ranged from a low of \$0.26 per share (March 9, 2009) to a high of \$14.95 per share (October 26, 2006). The following factors, among others, may cause significant fluctuations in our stock price:

- overall changes in the economy and general market volatility;
- news announcements regarding quarterly or annual results of operations;
- quarterly comparable sales;
- acquisitions;
- competitive developments;
- litigation affecting us; or
- market views as to the prospects of the retail industry generally.

# Rights of our stockholders may be negatively affected if we issue any of the shares of preferred stock which our Board of Directors has authorized for issuance.

We have available for issuance 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. Our Board of Directors is authorized to issue any or all of this preferred stock, in one or more series, without any further action on the part of stockholders. The rights of our stockholders may be negatively affected if we issue a series of preferred stock in the future that has preference over our common stock with respect to the payment of dividends or distribution upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

In addition, the issuance of preferred stock by our Board of Directors pursuant to our certificate of incorporation could have the effect of making it more difficult for a third party to acquire, or of discouraging a third party from acquiring, a majority of the outstanding voting stock of our Company.

## We have adopted anti-takeover defenses that could make it difficult for another company to acquire control of our Company or limit the price investors might be willing to pay for our stock, thus affecting the market price of our securities.

We have a Shareholder Rights Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2008, as amended on June 29, 2009 and December 7, 2009 (as amended, the "Rights Agreement"), under which the Board authorized and declared a dividend of one preferred stock purchase right (a "Right" and collectively, the "Rights") for each share of the Company's common stock. Each Right entitles the registered holder to purchase from us one one-thousandth of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock at a purchase price of \$5.00 per share, subject to adjustment.

The Rights become exercisable upon the occurrence of certain events and may make the acquisition of our Company more difficult and expensive. The Rights Agreement may delay or prevent an acquisition of us that stockholders may consider favorable, which could decrease the value of our common stock. The Rights will expire at 12:00 midnight at the end of the day on June 1, 2010, unless the Rights are earlier exchanged or redeemed by our Board of Directors.

#### State laws and our certificate of incorporation, as amended, may inhibit potential acquisition bids that could be beneficial to our stockholders.

We are subject to certain provisions of Delaware law, which could also delay or make more difficult a merger, tender offer or proxy contest involving us. In particular, Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in certain business combinations with any interested stockholder for a period of three years unless specific conditions are met. In addition, certain provisions of Delaware law could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of us, including, without limitation, discouraging a proxy contest or making more difficult the acquisition of a substantial block of our common stock. The provisions could also limit the price that investors might be willing to pay in the future for shares of our common stock.

#### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.



#### **Item 2.** Properties

Our corporate offices and retail distribution center are located at 555 Turnpike Street in Canton, Massachusetts. The property consists of a 755,992 gross square foot building located on approximately 27.3 acres. We owned the property until January 30, 2006, at which time we entered into a sale-leaseback transaction with Spirit Finance Corporation, a third-party real estate investment trust ("Spirit"), whereby we entered into a twenty-year lease agreement with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Spirit for an annual rent of \$4.6 million. In fiscal 2006, we realized a gain of approximately \$29.3 million on the sale of this property, which has been deferred and is being amortized over the initial 20 years of the related lease agreement. Accordingly, our annual rent of \$4.6 million is offset by \$1.5 million related to the amortization of this deferred gain.

As of January 30, 2010, we operated 395 Casual Male XL retail stores, 65 Casual Male XL outlet stores and 19 Rochester Clothing stores. All of these stores are leased by us directly from owners of several different types of centers, including life-style centers, shopping centers, free standing buildings, outlet centers and downtown locations. The store leases are generally five years in length and contain renewal options extending their terms to between 5 and 10 years. Following this discussion is a listing by state of all store locations open at January 30, 2010.

Sites for store expansion are selected on the basis of several factors intended to maximize the exposure of each store to our target customers. These factors include the demographic profile of the area in which the site is located, the types of stores and other retailers in the area, the location of the store within the center and the attractiveness of the store layout. We also utilize financial models to project the profitability of each location using assumptions such as the center's sales per square foot averages, estimated occupancy costs and return on investment requirements. We believe that our selection of locations enables our stores to attract customers from the general shopping traffic and to generate our own customers from surrounding areas.

During fiscal 2009, we actively worked with all of our landlords to review our current lease agreements in light of the economic conditions of the past fiscal year. In general, the entire real estate portfolio was reviewed and where possible we sought revised terms with landlords. For instance, for leases that had an upcoming rent escalation, we requested rent reductions and in some situations requested rent stabilization from various landlords. We expect that these discussions will continue during fiscal 2010 as additional leases with extension clauses come due.

See also "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation—Liquidity and Capital Resources—Capital Expenditures."

#### Store locations by State at January 30, 2010

## Casual Male XL Retail, Casual Male XL Outlet and Casual Male XL Retail/Rochester Hybrid Stores (Outlets denoted by an asterisk, Hybrid stores denoted by an "H")

Alabama Foley\* Hoover Huntsville Montgomery Arizona Chandler Gilbert Glendale Mesa Phoenix (2) Phoenix Tempe' Tucson (2) Arkansas Jonesboro Little Rock California Bakersfield Camarillo\* Commerce \* Culver City Daly City Downey Dublin El Cajon Emeryville Escondido Folsom\* Fremont Fresno Fullerton Gilroy\* Glendale Lake Elsinore\* Lake Forest Lakewood Lawndale Long Beach Los Altos Los Angeles Modesto Northridge Ontario<sup>3</sup> Orange Oxnard Palmdale Palm Desert Pasadena Pleasant Hill Rancho Cucamonga Riverside Roseville

California, cont. Sacramento (2) Salinas San Bernardino San Diego San Jose San Jose (H) San Leandro Santa Ana Santa Rosa Stockton Temecula Tracy\* Tulare\* Upland Vacaville\* Valencia Victorville West Covina Woodland Hills Colorado Colorado Springs Glendale Lone Tree Loveland\* Westminster Connecticut Danbury Groton Hamden Manchester Milford Waterbury West Hartford Westbrook\* Westport Wethersfield Delaware Dover Rehoboth Beach\* Wilmington Florida Altamonte Springs Boynton Beach Brandon Daytona Beach Fort Lauderdale Ft. Myers Gainesville Hialeah Jacksonville Largo

Florida, cont. Lauderdale Lakes Miami No. Lakeland No. Miami Beach Ocala Orange Park Orlando (3) Pembroke Pines Sarasota St. Augustine\* Stuart Tampa Vero Beach\* West Palm Beach Georaia Alpharetta Atlanta Augusta Calhoun\* Commerce\* Duluth Kennesaw Morrow Savannah Stone Mountain Idaho Boise Illinois Bloomingdale Bloomington Champaign Chicago (2) Evergreen Park Fairview Heights Hometown Joliet Lansing Matteson Naperville Niles North Riverside Oakbrook Terrace (H) Orland Park Peoria Rockford Schaumburg Skokie Springfield St. Charles Vernon Hills

Indiana Edinburgh\* Evansville Fort Wayne Greenwood Indianapolis (3) Lafayette Merrillville Michigan City' Mishawaka Muncie Iowa Clive Davenport Marion Williamsburg Kansas Overland Park Topeka Wichita Kentuckv Bowling Green Florence Lexington Louisville (2) Louisiana Baton Rouge Bossier Citv

Gonzales\*

Maine

Marvland

District Heights

E. Baltimore

Glen Burnie

Hagerstown\*

Kittery\* South Portland

Annapolis Baltimore

Columbia

Frederick

Greenbelt

Rockville

Towson

Waldorf

Largo

Lafavette

Metairie

Auburn Hills Birch Run\* Flint Grand Rapids Howell\* Lansing Lathrup Village (H) Livonia Madison Heights Novi (Detroit) Portage Roseville Saginaw Sterling Heights Taylor Westland Minnesota Albertville\* Blaine Burnsville Duluth Maplewood Richfield Roseville Woodbury Mississippi Jackson Gulfport\* Missouri Branson\* Chesterfield Columbia Independence

Kansas City

Massachusetts

Dedham

Hanover

Hyannis

Medford Natick (H)

Saugus

Shrewsbury

Wrentham\*

Allen Park

Ann Arbor

North Attleboro

North Dartmouth

Tyngsboro West Springfield

Michigan

### Casual Male XL Retail, Casual Male XL Outlet and Casual Male XL Retail/Rochester Hybrid Stores, continued

	Missouri, cont.	New York	Ohio, cont.	Rhode Island
Osage Beach*		Albany	Cincinnati	Warwick
Richmond Height	ts	Bayshore L.I.	Columbus (4)*	South Carolina
St. Louis		Bronx	Fairlawn	Charleston
St. Peters		Brooklyn (3)	Grove City	
Springfield		Carle Place	Jeffersonville*	Columbia
	16	Centereach	Mansfield	Greenville
5.00	Montana	Cheektowaga	Mentor	Myrtle Beach*
Billings		East Northport	Miamisburg	N. Charleston*
	Nebraska	Elmhurst	North Olmsted	South Dakota
Lincoln		Greenburgh	North Randall	Sioux Falls
Omaha (3)		Irondequoit	Springdale	
Official (5)		Johnson City	Toledo	Tennessee
	Nevada	Lake George*		Antioch
Henderson		Massapegua	Oklahoma	Chattanooga
Las Vegas (3)		Middleton	Oklahoma City (2)	Knoxville
Laughlin*		Nanuet	Tulsa	Lakeland*
Reno		New Hyde Park	Oregon	Madison
,	NT	New York	Beaverton	Memphis (2)
	New Hampshire	Niagara Falls*	Clackamas	Pigeon Forge*
Salem		Patchogue		
Manchester		Poughkeepsie	Eugene Portland	Texas
Tilton*		Riverhead*	Salem	Allen*
	New Jersey	Rochester	Salem	Amarillo
Bloomfield		Staten Island	Pennsylvania	Arlington
Cherry Hill			Altoona	Austin (2)
E. Brunswick		Syracuse Tonawanda	Erie	Canutillo*
East Rutherford			Fairless Hills	Conroe*
Eatontown		Valley Stream	Gettysburg*	Corpus Christi
Hazlet		Waterloo*	Greensburg	Cypress*
Jackson*		Yonkers	Grove City*	Dallas (2)
Lawrenceville		North Carolina	Harrisburg	El Paso
Linden		Asheville	King Of Prussia	Fort Worth
May's Landing		Burlington*	Lancaster*	Houston (5)
May's Landing Menlo Park		Charlotte	Monroeville	Humble
Paramus (H)		Favetteville	Philadelphia (3)	Hurst
Secaucus		Greensboro	Pittsburgh (2)	Laredo
		Greenville	Pottstown*	Lewisville
Somerville		Pineville	Scranton	Lubbock
Succasunna		Raleigh	Springfield	Mercedes*
Tom's River		Smithfield*	Tannersville*	Mesquite
Totowa		Wilmington	Washington*	Midland
Union		Winston-Salem		Pasadena
West Berlin		WIIISIOII-3dleiii	West Mifflin	Plano
Woodbury		North Dakota	Whitehall	Round Rock*
	New Mexico	Fargo	Wilkes Barre	San Antonio (3)
Albuquerque (2)	The Menteo	<u> </u>	Willow Grove	San Marcos*
Suquerque (2)		Ohio	Wyomissing	
		Boardman	York	
		Canton		

### Rochester Clothing (excludes Casual Male XL/Rochester Hybrid stores, denoted above by an "H")

Southwest Beverley Hills, CA Costa Mesa, CA San Francisco, CA Walnut Creek, CA

Las Vegas , NV Dallas, TX Houston, TX *North* Boston, MA Chicago, IL Central Valley, NY\*

King of Prussia, PA Manhasset, NY New York, NY Seattle, WA

Washington Auburn\* Bellevue Lynnwood Spokane (2) Tacoma Tukwila West Virginia South Charleston Wisconsin Brookfield Grand Chute Green Bay Greenfield Johnson Creek\* Madison

Milwaukee Pleasant Prairie

*Texas, cont.* Selma

Utah Murray

Vermont

S. Burlington Virginia

Alexandria

Fairfax Fredericksburg Hampton

Manassas Norfolk

Richmond (2) Roanoke

Sterling Virginia Beach

Williamsburg\* Woodbridge\*

Shenandoah

Tvler

Waco

Webster

Odgen

Orem

Aventura, FL Atlanta, GA Boca Raton, FL Washington D.C.

Southeast

International London, England

## Item 3. Legal Proceedings

We are subject to various legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of business. We believe that the resolution of these matters will not have an adverse impact on our operations or financial position.

## Item 4. Reserved

## PART II.

## Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our common stock is listed for trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "CMRG."

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low per share sales prices for the common stock, as reported on Nasdaq.

Fiscal Year Ended January 30, 2010	High	Low
First Quarter	\$1.47	\$0.26
Second Quarter	2.60	1.15
Third Quarter	3.78	2.00
Fourth Quarter	3.26	2.08
Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2009	High	Low
First Quarter	\$5.11	Low \$3.45
Second Quarter	4.93	2.95
Third Quarter	4.95	1.73
Fourth Quarter	1.99	0.35

As of March 10, 2010, based upon data provided by independent shareholder communication services and the transfer agent for our common stock, there were approximately 224 holders of record of our common stock. The number of holders does not include individuals or entities who beneficially own shares but whose shares are held of record by a broker or clearing agent, but does include each such broker or clearing agency as one record holder.

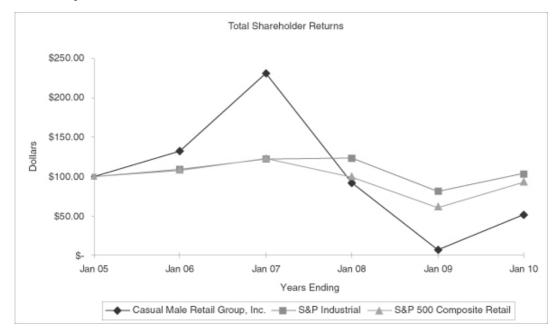
We have not paid and do not anticipate paying cash dividends on our common stock. In addition, financial covenants in our loan agreement may restrict dividend payments. For a description of these financial covenants see Note C to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

None.

## Stock Performance Graph

The following Performance Graph compares our cumulative stockholder return with that of a broad market index (Standard & Poor's Industrials Index) and one published industry index (Standard & Poor's 500—Composite Retail Index) for each of the most recent five years ended January 31. The cumulative stockholder return for shares of our common stock ("CMRG") and each of the indices is calculated assuming that \$100 was invested on January 31, 2005. We paid no cash dividends during the periods shown. The performance of the indices is shown on a total return (dividends reinvested) basis. The graph lines merely connect January 31 of each year and do not reflect fluctuations between those dates. In addition there is a chart of the annual percentage return of our common stock, the S & P Industrials and Composite Retail 500.



#### **Annual Return Percentage**

		Years Ending				
Company/Index	Jan 06	Jan 07	Jan 08	Jan 09	Jan 10	
CMRG	32.41	74.55	(60.10)	(92.37)	636.84	
S&P INDUSTRIALS	9.29	11.94	1.01	(34.26)	28.22	
COMPOSITE RETAIL- 500	7.84	13.97	(19.24)	(39.03)	53.65	

#### Indexed Returns

	Base Period					
Company/Index	Jan 05	Jan 06	Jan 07	Jan 08	Jan 09	Jan 10
CMRG	100	132.41	231.11	92.22	7.04	51.85
S&P INDUSTRIALS	100	109.29	122.34	123.58	81.25	104.17
COMPOSITE RETAIL - 500	100	107.84	122.91	99.26	60.52	92.99

The performance graph above shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. This graph will not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

### Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following tables set forth selected consolidated financial data of our company as of and for each of the years in the five-year period ended January 30, 2010 and should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto.

Our selected consolidated financial data for the years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008 and as of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 have been derived from our accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements which were audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm. Our selected consolidated financial data for the years ended February 3, 2007 and January 28, 2006, and as of February 2, 2008, February 3, 2007 and January 28, 2006, have been derived from our Consolidated Financial Statements not included herein, which were audited by Ernst & Young LLP.

For a discussion of certain factors that materially affect the comparability of the selected consolidated financial data or cause the data reflected herein not to be indicative of our future results of operations or financial condition, see Item 1A "Risk Factors" and Item 7 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

	Fiscal Years Ended(1)										
	January 30, 2010 <u>(Fiscal 2009)</u>		(Fi	nuary 31, 2009 iscal 2008) (2) millions, except per	February 2, 2008 (Fiscal 2007) (2) er share, weighted average shai		February 3, 2007 (Fiscal 2006) (2) pares and operating data)			nuary 28, 2006 scal 2005 <u>)</u>	
INCOME STATEMENT DATA:			(	initions, encept per	sindley we	ignica average on	in es una oj	per uning unit)			
Sales	\$	395.2	\$	444.2	\$	464.1	\$	465.4	\$	421.4	
Gross profit, net of occupancy costs		174.6		189.6		206.0(6)		211.6		182.2	
Selling, general and administrative		151.0		178.1		178.1		168.8		151.9	
Provision for employment contract termination		—		—		—		1.2		—	
Provision for impairment of assets, including											
goodwill		—		71.4(3)				_		_	
Depreciation and amortization		15.5		17.1		17.4		15.0		12.7	
Operating income (loss)		8.1		(77.0)		10.5		26.6		17.6	
Other income (expense), net		0.6		0.5		0.5		1.1		(1.0)	
Interest expense, net		(1.1)		(3.0)		(4.3)		(5.5)		(8.6)	
Income (loss) from continuing operations											
before taxes		7.6		(79.5)		6.7		22.2		8.0	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		1.5		28.9(4)		2.8		(21.1)(7)		(2.8)(7)	
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	6.1	\$	(108.4)	\$	3.9	\$	43.3	\$	10.8	
Loss from discontinued operations				(0.9)(5)		(3.5)(5)		(0.7)			
Net income (loss)	\$	6.1	\$	(109.3)	\$	0.4	\$	42.6	\$	10.8	
Income (loss) per share from continuing											
operations—basic	\$	0.14	\$	(2.62)	\$	0.09	\$	1.23	\$	0.31	
Income (loss) per share from continuing											
operations—diluted	\$	0.14	\$	(2.62)	\$	0.09	\$	0.99	\$	0.30	
Net income (loss) per share—basic	\$	0.14	\$	(2.64)	\$	0.01	\$	1.21	\$	0.31	
Net income (loss) per share—diluted	\$	0.14	\$	(2.64)	\$	0.01	\$	0.98	\$	0.30	
Weighted average shares outstanding:											
for net income (loss) per											
share—basic		43,552		41,412		41,707		35,276		34,306	
for net income(loss) per share—diluted		43,982		41,412		43,229		46,457		35,860	

		January 30,         January 31,           2009         2009           2010         (Fiscal 2008)           (Fiscal 2009)         (2)           (In millions, except per		Feb (Fis	Years Ended ruary 2, 2008 cal 2007) (2) ghted avera	Fe (Fi	bruary 3, 2007 scal 2006) (2) operating o	<u>(I</u>	anuary 28, 2006 Fiscal 2005)	
BALANCE SHEET DATA:	<i>•</i>		<i>•</i>	20.0	<b>^</b>	44.0	<b>.</b>	66.0	<b>.</b>	22.0
Working capital	\$	45.6	\$	20.0	\$	41.0	\$	66.8	\$	
Inventories		90.0		98.6		117.8		114.5		91.5
Property and equipment, net		41.9		52.2		62.2		59.1		51.3
Total assets		181.0		201.2		325.4		320.4		283.8
Long term debt		2.7		7.6		12.5				95.4
Stockholders' equity		93.2		71.8		181.9		218.0		89.2
Cash flow provided by operations	\$	30.8	\$	23.2	\$	11.7	\$	12.1	\$	16.8
Less: capital expenditures		4.6		12.6		21.4		22.7		15.7
Less acquisitions(8)				3.0				3.0		—
Free cash flow(8)	\$	26.2	\$	7.6	\$	(9.7)	\$	(13.6)	\$	1.1
OPERATING DATA:										
Net sales per square foot	\$	174	\$	193	\$	208	\$	211	\$	195
Number of stores open at fiscal year end		479		494		488		508		518

(1) Our fiscal year is a 52 or 53 week period ending on the Saturday closest to January 31. The fiscal year ending February 3, 2007 included 53 weeks.

(2) During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007, we exited our Jared M. business. Therefore, we have shown the results of our Jared M. business, since its acquisition in fiscal 2006, as discontinued operations. Certain prior-year amounts on the Income Statement Data for fiscal 2006 have been reclassified to discontinued operations to conform to the current-year presentation.

- (3) During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded a full non-cash impairment charge related to our goodwill for \$63.1 million and a partial impairment of our Rochester trademark of \$2.5 million. These impairments were due to the downturn in the economy and the deterioration in the capital markets which had a direct impact on our business during fiscal 2008 and resulted in a significant decrease in the fair value of our Company at the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008. In addition, we also recorded a non-cash charge of \$5.8 million for the impairment of fixed assets.
- (4) During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded a non-cash charge of \$28.6 million to establish a full valuation allowance against our deferred tax assets. As a result of our recent operating losses and the overall condition of the economy, the realizability of our deferred tax assets cannot be assured. For a discussion of the valuation allowance, see Note D to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (5) Discontinued operations for fiscal 2007 include a charge of \$2.6 million recorded during the third and fourth quarters of fiscal 2007 related to the exiting of our Jared M. business. Of the \$2.6 million charge, \$1.1 million related to the write-down of inventory, \$1.4 million for the impairment of fixed assets and \$0.1 million for the write-down of accounts receivables and other assets. During the first quarter of fiscal 2008, we sold our Jared M. business for \$250,000. No material gain or loss was recognized on the sale. See Note J to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for a complete description. In fiscal 2007, when we decided to exit our Jared M. operations, the Jared M. showroom was being sub-leased and therefore, we did not believe an accrual was needed at that time. However, during fiscal 2008, we were not able to secure a sub-lease agreement to completely satisfy our obligations under the lease agreement. Accordingly, during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded an additional charge of \$0.9 million for the estimated lease obligation. No income tax benefit was realized on this charge during fiscal 2008 due to the establishment of our full valuation allowance against all of our deferred tax assets.
- (6) During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007, we recorded a charge to gross margin of approximately \$6.1 million, or \$0.08 per diluted share, for the write-down of inventory for both our Casual Male and Rochester businesses.
- (7) In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006, we reversed \$31.0 million of our deferred tax valuation allowance of which \$30.5 million was recognized as an income tax benefit and \$0.5 million was recorded as an adjustment to additional paid-in capital. The income tax benefit of \$30.5 million was partially offset by \$8.9 million in tax provisions. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, we recognized an income tax benefit of \$2.8 million associated with the partial reversal of \$3.1 million of our valuation allowance. This benefit was partially offset by \$0.3 million in tax provisions. For a discussion of the valuation allowance reversals, see Note D to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (8) Free cash flow is considered a non-GAAP financial measure under SEC regulations. We present this measure as supplemental information to help investors better understand trends in our business results over time. We use free cash flow to evaluate the performance of our business. Free cash flow is not equivalent to any measure of performance required to be reported under GAAP, nor should this data be considered an indicator of our overall financial performance or liquidity. Moreover, the free cash flow definition we use may not be comparable to similarly titled measurer used by other companies. We calculate free cash flows as cash flow from operating activities, less capital expenditures and discretionary store asset acquisitions. In the second quarter of fiscal 2009, we changed our method of calculating free cash flow to include, as a deduction, the use of cash for the acquisition of Dahle Big & Tall stores in fiscal 2008 and the acquisition of Jared M. in fiscal 2006. Accordingly, free cash flow for fiscal 2008 and fiscal 2006, which were previously defined as cash flow from operating activities less capital expenditures, were restated to include the cash used for the Dahle acquisition of \$3.0 million and the Jared M. acquisition of \$3.0 million, respectively.

#### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

#### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

As noted above, this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including, without limitation, this Item 7, contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results or developments could differ materially from those projected in such statements as a result of numerous factors, including, without limitation those risks and uncertainties set forth in Item 1A, *Risk Factors* which you are encouraged to read. The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in light of those risks and uncertainties and in conjunction with our accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto.

#### **EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW**

#### 2009 Financial Summary

While the overall weakness in the economy during the past eighteen months directly impacted our business, particularly our sales volumes, fiscal 2009 was a very pivotal year for us. Beginning in fiscal 2008, we started to take the steps that we felt were necessary to be profitable and cash flow positive, given the potential for double-digit decreases in sales for fiscal 2009.

Instead of trying to maintain our top line during a weakened economy, we shifted our focus toward improving our operating income and optimizing our free cash flow, assuming a smaller sales base. We focused on strengthening our liquidity and efficiently managing our inventory levels to improve our gross margins. The result of these initiatives was an improvement in operating income of \$11.7 million to \$8.1 million for fiscal 2009, as compared to an adjusted operating loss of \$(3.6) million for fiscal 2008, before non-cash charges and severance costs of \$73.4 million. The fiscal 2008 adjusted operating loss of \$(3.6) million is a non-GAAP financial measure; see Results of Operations – Net Income for a reconciliation to GAAP measures. This improvement in operating income, despite a sales decrease of \$49.0 million, was the result of improved merchandise margins and a \$27.0 million decrease in selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses for fiscal 2009. As a result, our net income for fiscal 2009 was \$6.1 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, as compared to a net loss of \$(109.3) million, or \$(2.64) per diluted share, for fiscal 2008.

Of equal significance is the continued improvement in our financial position during fiscal 2009. We have reduced our total indebtedness to \$11.1 million at January 30, 2010, which represents a decrease of \$40.1 million, or 78.4%, as compared to the prior year. In addition, we have further reduced our inventory levels at January 30, 2010 by \$8.7 million, or 8.8%, as compared to fiscal 2008. Over a two year period, we have reduced our inventories by approximately 23.6%. This aggressive approach to managing our inventory has been a key component to optimizing our merchandise margins, enabling us to avoid excessive promotional and clearance activity. Our resulting free cash flow (as defined below under "Presentation of Non-GAAP Measures") for fiscal 2009 improved by \$18.6 million and was approximately \$26.2 million compared to free cash flow of \$7.6 million for fiscal 2008. Accordingly, the amount of borrowing availability under our credit facility was \$57.8 million at the end of 2009.

We believe that with this restructured operating model, our existing business can remain stable and cash flow producing. However, we do not believe that new store growth in our current formats will produce the level of market share growth we hope to achieve. Given that, during fiscal 2009, we started to pursue new strategies to grow our business and increase our market share within the big & tall market. We believe that in order to be successful and to become a growth business, we need to develop more compelling and convenient ways for our customers to shop, while attracting a largely untapped segment of the big & tall market— the smaller waist customer (with sizes 42' to 46'). Our market share of this component of the big & tall market has significant opportunity for substantial growth.

During fiscal 2009, we converted five of our Casual Male store locations to a new hybrid store format and closed five Rochester Clothing locations. The hybrid store format is a combination Casual Male XL store and Rochester Clothing store. The combination allows our customers to see an extended offering of our merchandise across both brands. Even though our hybrid locations experienced similar sales trends as our other stores, the average store volume improved by 50% compared to the combined results of the two stand-alone locations in the prior year. Each combined location was substantially more profitable than the previous stand-alone location.

#### **Our New Concept**

The positive results in our hybrid stores confirmed an additional opportunity for us. Our target customer group is a very diverse group, and we currently try to cater to them in individual groups through our various channels and brands, such as B&T Factory Direct for our value-oriented customers, Casual Male XL for our moderate-priced customer and Rochester Clothing for our high-end customers. Our new concept will merge all of our brands under one roof, making it easier for our customers to find the merchandise they are looking for without having to shop several stores.

In fiscal 2010, we will be launching our new store concept, Destination XL. Destination XL will be a supercenter, averaging 11,000 square feet, offering a full assortment from all of our core brands, including Casual Male XL, Rochester Clothing and B&T Factory Direct, as well as expanded assortments of Shoes XL and Living XL. All of our brands, across all channels, will be represented in our new store utilizing a good, better, best pricing structure. Our new store will be the first of its kind in the big & tall market. Our family-friendly destination store will offer our customers one-stop shopping for all of their apparel needs while providing them with a comfortable and entertaining atmosphere, complete with interactive elements.

The economic proposition for the Destination XL concept is greater efficiencies in serving the market area resulting in higher operating margins, and potentially greater sales volumes with increased market share in each market by either a) gaining a larger share of our existing customers' annual expenditures on apparel, or b) increasing our market penetration with our customers whose waist size is between 42' and 46', or both. Accordingly, the expectation is enhanced returns on capital and operating income from each market compared to our existing locations.

In conjunction with our new store concept, we will also be launching a cross-channel website, combining all of our existing e-commerce sites into one enhanced website, with state-of-the-art features and best practices. This will enable our customers to shop across all of our brands and product extensions with ease and will bring all of our customers under one concept. Their classification as a "Rochester" customer or a "Casual Male" customer will no longer limit their ability to access our full product assortment.

### Fiscal 2010 Outlook

Although we are seeing gradual improvements throughout the retail industry, we expect in our specific market that our sales volumes for fiscal 2010 will be relatively flat to fiscal 2009 consistent with the expectation that the rebound in consumer spending in the big & tall market will be over an extended period of time. Based on these sales projections for fiscal 2010, we expect to make continued improvements in gross margins of between 40 and 100 basis points and SG&A costs to decline approximately 2% from 2009 levels.

We expect our earnings for fiscal 2010 to be between \$0.23 and \$0.26 per diluted share. On a quarterly basis, we expect to see earnings improvements in each of our fiscal quarters, with the exception of the second quarter of fiscal 2010. No improvement is expected in the second quarter due to the fact that we will have recognized a full year of our gross margin and SG&A improvements and we are also forecasting a decrease in sales during the first half of fiscal 2010.

From a liquidity perspective, we expect to generate free cash flow of approximately \$20 million, which represents cash flow from operations of \$30.0 million less budgeted capital expenditures of approximately \$10.0 million. Our capital expenditure projects for fiscal 2010 are primarily related to our Destination XL store concept and the corresponding enhancement and launching of our multi-business e-commerce website.

The free cash flow we generate in fiscal 2010 is expected to be used to fully reduce our existing bank debt. At the end of fiscal 2010, we expect that we will be debt-free and cash positive. We expect that the availability under our revolver, which will not expire until October 2011, will be over \$60 million by the end of the fiscal year.

#### Presentation of Non-GAAP Measures

The presentation of non-GAAP free cash flow is not a measure determined by generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and should not be considered superior to or as a substitute for net income (loss) or cash flows from operating activities or any other measure of performance derived in accordance with GAAP. In addition, all companies do not calculate non-GAAP financial measures in the same manner and, accordingly, "free cash flows" presented in this report may not be comparable to similar measures used by other companies. We believe that inclusion of this non-GAAP measure helps investors gain a better understanding of our performance, especially when comparing such results to previous periods.

We calculate free cash flows as cash flow from operating activities less capital expenditures and discretionary store asset acquisitions:

	Fis	cal 2009	Fisc	<u>al 2008(1)</u> (in millions)	ed Cash Flow cal 2010
Cash flow from operating activities	\$	30.8	\$	23.2	\$ 30.0
Less: Capital expenditures		(4.6)		(12.6)	(10.0)
Less: Acquisition of Dahle Big & Tall stores		_		(3.0)	
Free Cash Flow	\$	26.2	\$	7.6	\$ 20.0

(1) In the second quarter of fiscal 2009, we changed our method of calculating free cash flow to include, as a deduction, the use of cash for the acquisition of Dahle Big & Tall stores in the second quarter of fiscal 2008. Accordingly, free cash flow for fiscal 2008, which was previously defined as cash flow from operating activities less capital expenditures, was restated to include the cash used for the Dahle acquisition of \$3.0 million.

## SEGMENT REPORTING

We report our operations as one reportable segment, Big & Tall Men's Apparel, which consists of our two principal operating segments—Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing. We consider our operating segments to be similar in terms of economic characteristic, production processes and operations, and have therefore aggregated them into a single reporting segment.

## **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Our fiscal year is a 52- or 53-week period ending on the Saturday closest to January 31. Fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007 were 52- week periods.

Comparable sales for all periods include our retail stores that have been open for at least one full fiscal year together with our e-commerce and catalog sales. Stores that have been remodeled, expanded or re-located during the period are also included in our determination of comparable sales. We include our direct businesses as part of our calculation of comparable sales since we are a multi-channel retailer, offering our customers convenient alternatives for their shopping. The method of calculating comparable sales varies across the retail industry and,

as a result, our calculation of comparable sales is not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

#### SALES

Sales for fiscal 2009 decreased \$49.0 million, or 11.0%, to \$395.2 million as compared to \$444.2 million for fiscal 2008. This decrease reflects the difficult economic and retail environment that we experienced this year. Reduced consumer spending and therefore lack of traffic to our stores resulted in a very challenging year for us from a sales perspective. The sales shortfall of \$49.0 million was primarily attributable to a decrease in our comparable sales of 10.8%. Sales in our retail channel declined by 10.6%, while sales decreased 14.2% in our direct channel.

With a total decrease of 20.6%, our higher-end Rochester business was affected the most by the downturn in the economy. Conversely, our value-oriented Casual Male XL outlet stores performed significantly better, with a comparable sales decrease of only 2.6% over the prior year. In addition, our B&T Factory Direct business performed very well during fiscal 2009, with a 16.7% increase over fiscal 2008.

Sales across our direct marketing catalog and e-commerce businesses decreased 14.2%. The decrease was partially driven by a planned 35% reduction in catalog circulation to improve productivity. This resulted in a nearly 30% increase in our sales productivity per catalog.

Sales for fiscal 2008 decreased \$19.9 million, or 4.3%, to \$444.2 million as compared to \$464.1 million for fiscal 2007. We started to experience the lack of consumer traffic and spending during the latter half of fiscal 2008. The sales shortfall of \$19.9 million was primarily attributable to a decrease in our comparable sales of 4.3%, with a total decrease of 12.5% from our higher-end Rochester business. Our value-oriented Casual Male XL outlet stores performed better with a comparable sales decrease of only 1% over fiscal 2007. Our non-core businesses, which include Living XL, Shoes XL, B&T Factory Direct and our International Web stores, generated sales of \$15.7 million for fiscal 2008 as compared to \$8.9 million for fiscal 2007. Sales in our retail channel declined by 6.0%, while sales increased 4.4% in its direct channel.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009, we started to see a gradual improvement in traffic and our other store metrics. Although we are seeing some improvement, we are planning fiscal 2010 sales volumes to remain flat to fiscal 2009, expecting total sales for fiscal 2010 to be between \$385.0-395.0 million with comparable sales to approximate between -1% to +1%. Consumer spending and an overall improvement in store traffic will most likely rebound very slowly, especially considering that although the overall economy has shown signs of improvement, unemployment rates, which have a direct impact on consumer spending, remain high.

#### GROSS MARGIN

Gross margin rate for fiscal 2009 was 44.2% as compared to 42.7% for fiscal 2008 and 44.4% for fiscal 2007. The increase of 150 basis points for fiscal 2009, as compared to fiscal 2008, was comprised of a 340 basis point increase in merchandise margin partially offset by an increase of 190 basis points in occupancy costs, due to the lower sales base. Our aggressive management of inventory and our reduced emphasis on promotional activities were the primary factors in the significant improvement of our merchandise margin in fiscal 2009. We very successfully aligned our inventory receipts with our revised sales forecast such that inventory levels were maintained at desired levels helping to minimize clearance markdowns. In addition, we continue to benefit from our growing global sourcing activities which have also contributed to maintaining our merchandise cost structure. Although our occupancy costs, as a percentage of sales, were unfavorable, our occupancy costs on a dollar basis for fiscal 2009 remained flat to fiscal 2008 as a result of our active re-negotiations of lease terms with many of our landlords.

The decrease of 170 basis points in the gross margin rate for fiscal 2008, when compared to fiscal 2007, was comprised of a 60 basis point decrease in merchandise margin and a 110 basis point increase in occupancy costs, primarily due to a lower sales base. Throughout fiscal 2008, we took additional markdowns on our seasonal

merchandise to ensure that our inventory levels remained appropriate and, in some cases, accelerated our fourth quarter markdowns as a result of our fourth quarter sales shortfall. The increase in our occupancy costs for fiscal 2008 was only 4.0% over the prior year. However, because of the lower sales base, the percentage impact to our gross margin rate is considerably higher.

During fiscal 2009, we were very successful in re-negotiating existing lease terms with many of our landlords, enabling us to reduce future occupancy by approximately \$9.0 million, which will be recognized over the remaining lease terms of those respective leases. As a result, we expect to leverage occupancy costs by approximately 15 to 30 basis points in fiscal 2010. In addition, we expect to continue with our aggressive management of inventory levels during fiscal 2010 to ensure a healthy inventory position and, accordingly, strong merchandise margins, with improvements of 25 to 70 basis points. Therefore, for fiscal 2010, we are expecting gross margin will improve by approximately 40 to 100 basis points.

### SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

SG&A expenses as a percentage of sales for fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007 were 38.2%, 40.1% and 38.4%, respectively.

On a dollar basis, SG&A expenses of \$151.0 million for fiscal 2009, represents a \$27.0 million, or 15.2%, decrease as compared to \$178.1 million for fiscal 2008. Approximately half of the savings for fiscal 2009 were the result of our revised marketing strategy, which has been refined to focus on our most productive customer base. The remainder of the savings resulted from our cost reduction efforts throughout our organization, including corporate overhead, distribution and field productivity improvements and staff reductions. These significant savings were partially offset by an increase of approximately \$6.2 million related to a bonus accrual for both our annual incentive plan as well as our senior management long-term incentive plan.

SG&A expenses in fiscal 2008 of \$178.1 million were flat to fiscal 2007. SG&A expenses for our core businesses decreased \$5.0 million, or 2.9%, as compared to fiscal 2007. The majority of the savings was from decreases in marketing, as a result of decreasing circulation of catalogs, productivity savings in our distribution center as a result of improved infrastructure and overall cost savings throughout the business. These cost savings were offset by an increase of approximately \$3.5 million related to expenses to support our non-core direct businesses, which include Shoes XL, Living XL, B&T Factory Direct and our International Web stores. Fiscal 2008 also includes a non-cash charge of \$1.5 million for the acceleration of stock compensation expense associated with the repurchase of certain stock options and an additional \$0.5 million related to non-recurring severance expense during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008.

Our ability to aggressively manage our SG&A expenses has been a significant priority for us in fiscal 2009. We expect to retain a similar posture for fiscal 2010 and will continue to limit our SG&A growth rates, except for certain programs to support our growth activities, unanticipated cost increases by our suppliers, and unanticipated costs that are necessary to support our overall activities. For fiscal 2010, we expect SG&A costs to decrease an additional \$3.0 million as our 2009 cost reduction initiatives annualize in the first quarter of fiscal 2010. This decrease will be partially offset by an increase in marketing and other areas to support our Destination XL concept.

#### PROVISION FOR IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS, INCLUDING GOODWILL

In fiscal 2009, we did not have any significant impairment with respect to our long-lived assets and intangible assets.

In fiscal 2008, we recorded impairment charges totaling \$71.4 million. This total included: (i) a charge of \$63.1 million for the full impairment of our goodwill for both of our reporting units, (ii) a partial impairment of \$2.5 million against our Rochester trademark and (iii) an impairment of long-lived assets of \$5.8 million. For more information regarding these impairments, see "Critical Accounting Policies—Goodwill and Intangibles" and "Critical Accounting Policies—Impairment of Long-Lived Assets."

### DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$15.5 million for fiscal 2009, \$17.1 million for fiscal 2008 and \$17.4 million for fiscal 2007. Depreciation and amortization expense for fiscal 2009 has decreased as compared to fiscal 2008, as a result of the impairment charge incurred in fiscal 2008 as well as the reduced capital spending in fiscal 2009. The slight decrease in depreciation and amortization for fiscal 2008 as compared to fiscal 2007 was due to a reduction of assets related to the closing of Jared M. in fiscal 2007.

#### OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)

In fiscal 2006, we sold our loss prevention subsidiary, LP Innovations, Inc. ("LPI"), for a purchase price of \$5.2 million. In connection with the LPI sale, we received a note for \$2.2 million, representing a portion of the sale price, which we reserved against at the time of the sale. We are recognizing income as realizability of this note is assured.

#### INTEREST EXPENSE, NET

Net interest expense was \$1.1 million in fiscal 2009 as compared to \$3.0 million in fiscal 2008 and \$4.3 million in fiscal 2007. The reduction in interest costs for fiscal 2009 as compared to fiscal 2008 was due to an overall reduction of 78.4% in total debt at year end as well as favorable interest rates on our credit facility. The average interest rate on our average borrowings for fiscal 2009 was approximately 2.5% as compared to approximately 4.6% for fiscal 2008.

See "Liquidity and Capital Resources" for more discussion regarding our current debt obligations and future liquidity needs.

#### DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The following table summarizes the results of operations for our Jared M. business which we exited during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007.

	Fisca	l 2008(1)	(in millions)	Fiscal	<u>2007(2)</u>
Sales	\$		(III IIIIIIOIIS)	\$	3.1
Gross margin					0.4
Selling, general and administrative expenses		0.9			4.5
Provision for impairment of assets		_			1.5
Depreciation and amortization					0.2
Loss before taxes		(0.9)			(5.8)
Provision for income taxes		_			2.3
Loss from discontinued operations	\$	(0.9)		\$	(3.5)

(1) During the first quarter of fiscal 2008, we sold our Jared M. business to a third party for a cash purchase price of \$250,000 and no gain or loss was realized on the sale. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded a charge of \$895,000 for the outstanding lease obligation for the Jared M. showroom. In fiscal 2007, when we decided to exit our Jared M. operations, the Jared M. showroom was being sub-leased and we did not believe any accrual was needed at that time. However, during fiscal 2008, we were not able to secure a sub-lease agreement to satisfy our obligations completely under the lease agreement. No income tax benefit was realized on this charge during fiscal 2008 due to the establishment of our full valuation allowance against all of our deferred tax assets.

(2) Discontinued operations for fiscal 2007 include a charge of \$2.6 million, of which \$1.1 million relates to the write-down of inventory and is included as part of gross margin. The remainder of the charge is for the impairment of fixed assets of \$1.4 million and other current assets of \$0.1 million.

#### INCOME TAXES

Pursuant to accounting rules, realization of our deferred tax assets, which relate principally to federal net operating loss carryforwards, which expire from 2018 through 2029, is dependent on generating sufficient taxable income in the near term. We had previously established a full valuation allowance against our deferred tax assets during fiscal years 2001 and 2002, based on the historical losses in those years. Then, as a result of transforming our Company, through acquisitions and divestures, from an operator of Levi's®/Dockers® outlet stores to the market leader of men's big & tall apparel, our big & tall business had become profitable from an operating perspective. In fiscal 2005, we reversed \$3.1 million and in fiscal 2006, we reversed the majority of the remaining valuation allowance, or \$31.0 million.

At the end of fiscal 2006, we considered the positive evidence of thirteen consecutive quarters of positive comparable sales, our continued improvement in operating income from fiscal 2002 to fiscal 2006, our expectations regarding the generation of future taxable income, and our market position and expected growth of our industry. However, the effect of the weakening economy on our retail business, especially in fiscal 2008, had a significant impact on our revenue and profitability. Further, the conditions of the economy have also negatively impacted our market value as a result of the deterioration of the capital markets which resulted in substantial impairments, contributing to our operating loss. Accordingly, due to our cumulative operating losses as well as our uncertainty regarding the economy and our ability to generate future taxable income to realize all of our deferred tax assets, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded a charge of \$28.6 million to establish a valuation allowance against our deferred tax assets.

As of January 30, 2010, we have net operating loss carryforwards of \$67.0 million for federal income tax purposes and \$39.0 million for state income tax purposes that are available to offset future taxable income, subject to certain annual usage limitations, through fiscal year 2028. As a result of the Casual Male acquisition and the issuance of additional equity in fiscal 2002, at January 30, 2010, the utilization of approximately \$10.3 million in federal net operating losses is subject to an annual limitation of approximately \$4.8 million per year. Additionally, we have alternative minimum tax credit carryforwards of \$2.3 million, which are available to further reduce income taxes over an indefinite period.

#### NET INCOME

Net income for fiscal 2009 was \$6.1 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, compared with a net loss for fiscal 2008 of \$(109.3) million, or \$(2.64) per diluted share, and net income of \$0.4 million, or \$0.01 per diluted share, in fiscal 2007.

	Fisc	al 2009	<u>Fiscal 2008</u> (in millions)	Fis	cal 2007
Operating income (loss) before non-cash and severance charges	\$	8.1	\$ (3.6)(1)	\$	10.5
Severance costs and non-cash acceleration of stock compensation expense			(2.0)		—
Provision for impairment of assets, including goodwill			(71.4)		_
Operating income (loss)	\$	8.1	\$ (77.0)(2)	\$	10.5(3)
Other income (expense), net		0.6	0.5		0.5
Interest expense		(1.1)	(3.0)		(4.3)
Provision for income taxes		(1.5)	(28.9)(2)		(2.8)
Loss from discontinued operations		—	(0.9)		(3.5)(3)
Net income (loss)	\$	6.1	\$ (109.3)	\$	0.4

(1) For fiscal 2008, operating income (loss) before non-cash and severance charges of \$(3.6) million is a non-GAAP measure and is not meant to be considered superior to or as a substitute for operating income (loss), on a GAAP basis, of \$(77.0) million. Considering the materiality of the impairment-related charges

incurred during fiscal 2008, we believe that the above table is a meaningful presentation to measure our operating performance, especially when comparing such results to fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2007.

- (2) Results for fiscal 2008 include total impairment charges of \$71.4 million (\$63.1 million for goodwill impairment, \$2.5 million for impairment of the Rochester trademark and \$5.8 million for the impairment of fixed assets). We also recorded an additional non-cash charge of \$1.5 million for stock compensation expense related to the acceleration of vesting for certain stock options which were repurchased during fiscal 2008 and approximately \$0.5 million for severance costs. We also established a reserve against our deferred tax assets at January 31, 2009, and accordingly, recorded a charge of \$28.6 million.
- (3) Results for fiscal 2007 include a charge of approximately \$2.6 million, or \$0.04 per diluted share, which is included as part of discontinued operations, related to our decision in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2007 to exit our Jared M. business. Operating income included a charge for \$6.1 million, or \$0.08 per diluted share, which was recorded as part of gross margin related to inventory write-offs associated with markdowns and the write-off of excess inventory in addition to the correction of freight and other inventory adjustments which were deemed immaterial to the prior periods presented.

### SEASONALITY

A comparison of sales in each quarter of the past three fiscal years is presented below. The amounts shown are not necessarily indicative of actual trends, because such amounts also reflect the addition of new stores and the remodeling and closing of others during these periods. Consistent with the retail apparel industry, our business is seasonal. The majority of our operating income is generated in the fourth quarter as a result of the impact of the Christmas selling season. A comparison of quarterly sales, gross profit, and net income per share for the past two fiscal years is presented in Note L of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

	FISCAL	FISCAL 2009		FISCAL 2009 FISCAL 2008		2008	FISCAL	2007 (1)
		(in millions, except percentages)						
First quarter	\$ 97.6	24.7%	\$107.6	24.2%	\$110.6	23.8%		
Second quarter	98.2	24.9%	113.5	25.6%	113.5	24.4%		
Third quarter	88.7	22.4%	100.0	22.5%	106.1	22.9%		
Fourth quarter	110.7	28.0%	123.1	27.7%	133.9	28.9%		
	\$395.2	100.0%	\$444.2	100.0%	\$464.1	100.0%		

(1) Sales results for fiscal 2007 exclude sales from the Jared M. discontinued operations.

# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of liquidity are our cash generated from operations and availability under our credit facility, as amended ("Credit Facility"), with Bank of America, N.A. Our current cash needs are primarily for working capital (essentially inventory requirements), capital expenditures and our growth initiatives.

Despite the weakened retail environment that we experienced this year and ultimately its impact on our sales, as a result of our committed efforts to manage inventory effectively and reduce our cost structure, during fiscal 2009, we increased our free cash flow by \$18.6 million to \$26.2 million. See "Presentation of Non-GAAP Measures" above regarding non-GAAP free cash flow. Further, we were able to reduce our total indebtedness by \$40.1 million to \$11.1 million. Accordingly, the amount of borrowing availability under our Credit Facility at the end of fiscal 2009 was \$57.8 million. We believe that our existing cash generated by operations, together with our availability under our Credit Facility, will be more than sufficient within current forecasts for us to meet our foreseeable liquidity requirements.

The following table sets forth financial data regarding our liquidity position at the end of the past three fiscal years:

		FISCAL YEARS				
	2009	2008	2007			
	(in	(in millions, except ratios)				
Cash provided by operations	\$ 30.8	\$ 23.2	\$ 11.7			
Working capital	\$ 45.6	\$ 20.0	\$ 41.0			
Current ratio	1.8:1	1.2:1	1.4:1			

For fiscal 2009, we generated an increase of \$7.6 million in cash flow provided by operations as compared to fiscal 2008, primarily as a result of our improvement in operating income. The increase in cash flow from operations for fiscal 2008, as compared to fiscal 2007, was the result of our effective management of inventory and other working capital accounts which offset our lower profitability as compared to fiscal 2007.

#### Sale of Common Stock

During the third quarter of fiscal 2009, we raised gross proceeds of \$13.6 million from the sale of 4.95 million shares of our common stock through a registered direct offering. Offering costs associated with the sale were approximately \$1.1 million. The net proceeds of approximately \$12.5 million from this offering were used for general corporate purposes, primarily the repayment of indebtedness.

#### Credit Facility

Our Credit Facility, which matures October 29, 2011, provides for a total commitment of \$110 million comprised of (i) a \$100 million revolving credit facility which includes a sublimit of \$20 million for commercial and standby letters of credit and a sublimit of up to \$15 million for SwingLine Loans and (ii) a \$10 million "Last Out" revolving credit facility, which will be subordinate to the \$100 million revolving credit facility. If at any time our Excess Availability Ratio, as defined in the Credit Facility, is less than 50%, our borrowings must first be made from the "Last Out" revolving credit facility before borrowing from the \$100 million revolving credit facility. Borrowings under the Credit Facility bear interest at variable rates based on Bank of America's prime rate or the London Interbank Offering Rate ("LIBOR") and vary depending on our levels of excess availability.

At January 30, 2010, we had borrowings outstanding under the Credit Facility of \$3.5 million and outstanding standby letters of credit of \$2.5 million and documentary letters of credit of \$4.5 million. Average borrowings outstanding under this facility during fiscal 2009 were approximately \$32.1 million, resulting in an average unused excess availability of approximately \$37.1 million. Unused excess availability at January 30, 2010 was \$57.8 million. Our ability to borrow under the Credit Facility is determined using an availability formula based on eligible assets, with increased advance rates based on seasonality. This facility contains no financial covenants.

#### Master Loan and Security Agreement

On July 20, 2007, we entered into a Master Loan and Security Agreement (the "Master Agreement") with Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC ("BALC") for equipment financing. In conjunction with the Master Agreement, we entered into an Equipment Security Note (the "First Secured Note"), whereby we borrowed an aggregate of \$17.4 million from BALC. The First Secured Note is due July 20, 2011.

On January 16, 2008, we entered into a second Equipment Security Note (the "Second Secured Note"), pursuant to the same terms and provisions of the Master Agreement, whereby we borrowed an additional \$2.1 million. The Second Secured Note is due January 16, 2012.

Both secured notes accrue interest at a per annum rate of 1.75% plus the rate of interest equal to the 30-day published LIBOR rate. Principal and interest, in arrears, are payable monthly on each note, commencing one

month after issuance of such note. We are subject to a prepayment penalty on both secured notes equal to 1% of the prepaid principal until the first anniversary of the respective secured note, 0.5% of the prepaid principal from the first day after the first anniversary through the end of the second anniversary and no prepayment penalty thereafter. At January 30, 2010, the outstanding balance of the secured notes was \$7.6 million.

Both notes are secured by a security interest in all of our rights, title and interest in and to certain equipment.

#### INVENTORY

At January 30, 2010, total inventories were \$90.0 million as compared to \$98.6 million at January 31, 2009. The decrease in inventory of \$8.6 million, or 8.8%, is the result of reductions of inventory across all divisions as part of our concerted effort to manage our inventory effectively during the economic downturn. This decrease was in addition to a reduction of \$19.2 million in fiscal 2008 as compared to fiscal 2007. We have successfully reduced our inventory levels without sacrificing our broad selection of core basic merchandise and current fashion items. In addition, our merchandise margin improvement during fiscal 2009 is largely attributable to the management of our inventory levels.

#### OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements as defined by 303(a)(4) of Regulation S-K.

#### CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations at January 30, 2010, and the effect such obligations are expected to have on our liquidity and cash flows in future periods:

	Payments due by period								
Contractual Obligations	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 <u>years</u> (in millions)	3-5 years		re than years			
Operating Leases(1)	\$268.2	\$ 48.0	\$79.3	\$48.1	\$	92.8			
Long-Term Debt Obligations(2)	7.7	5.0	2.7	_		_			
Non-merchandise Purchase Obligations(3)	0.7	0.6	0.1	_		—			
Total Commitments(4)	\$276.6	\$ 53.6	\$82.1	\$48.1	\$	92.8			

(1) Includes amounts due on our 20-year lease agreement for our corporate headquarters and operating leases for all of our current store locations and certain equipment and auto leases.

(2) Includes principal payments on our outstanding secured notes and the corresponding estimated interest costs.

- (3) Non-merchandise Purchase Obligations include an on-going consulting agreement with Jewelcor Management, Inc., pursuant to which we are obligated to pay \$575,000 annually through April 29, 2011. See Note H — "Related Parties" to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for a full description of this agreement.
- (4) This table excludes Merchandise Purchase Obligations, which represent our outstanding obligations pursuant to open purchase orders. At January 30, 2010, we had approximately \$52.2 million in open purchase orders. We estimate that approximately 70% of these purchase orders may be considered non-cancelable.

# CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Below is a summary of store openings, closings and remodels from January 31, 2009 to January 30, 2010 and related square footage:

Number of Stores:	Casual Male	Rochester	Total stores
At January 31, 2009	467	27	494
New retail stores	1		1
Closed outlet stores	1		1
Closed retail stores	7	8	15
At January 30, 2010	460	19	479
Hybrids	5	—	
2009 Relocations	3	1	
Square footage (in thousands)			
at January 30, 2010	1,652	155	1,807
at January 31, 2009	1,635	220	1,855

During fiscal 2009, we substantially reduced our capital expenditures to approximately \$4.6 million, as compared to \$12.6 million in fiscal 2008 and \$21.4 million in fiscal 2007. Our capital projects for fiscal 2009 were limited to those that we believed would provide a significant financial benefit, such as our inventory integration project. Approximately \$2.2 million of the \$4.6 million was spent on management information projects, while approximately \$1.5 million was spent on store capital, including the conversion of five of our Casual Male stores to Hybrid stores. The remainder of \$0.9 million was used for general capital projects relating to our corporate offices and distribution center.

For fiscal 2010, our capital expenditures are expected to be approximately \$10.0 million. The budget includes approximately \$3.4 million related to the opening of our five new Destination XL concept stores and approximately \$5.0 million for continued information technology projects, including the launch of our enhanced multi-branded e-commerce site, with the remainder for general overhead projects.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Our financial statements are based on the application of significant accounting policies, many of which require our management to make significant estimates and assumptions (see Note A to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements). We believe that the following items involve some of the more critical judgments in the application of accounting policies that currently affect our financial condition and results of operations.

#### Stock-Based Compensation

We measure compensation cost for all stock awards at fair value on date of grant and recognize compensation over the service period for awards expected to vest. The fair value of our stock options is determined using the Black-Scholes valuation model, which requires the input of highly subjective assumptions. These assumptions include estimating the length of time employees will retain their vested stock options before exercising them (the "expected term"), the estimated volatility of our common stock price over the expected term and the number of options that will ultimately not complete their vesting requirements ("forfeitures"). Changes in these subjective assumptions can materially affect the estimate of fair value of stock-based compensation and, consequently, the related amount recognized as an expense on the consolidated statements of operations. As required under the accounting rules, we review our valuation assumptions at each grant date and, as a result, we are likely to change our valuation assumptions used to value employee stock-based awards granted in future periods. The values derived from using the Black-Scholes model are recognized as expense over the service

period, net of estimated forfeitures. Actual results, and future changes in estimates, may differ substantially from these current estimates. For fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007, we recognized total compensation expense of \$0.6 million, \$3.7 million and \$2.1 million, respectively. Compensation expense for fiscal 2008 includes \$1.5 million related to the acceleration of certain options which were repurchased and cancelled by us. See Note G to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Inventory**

We value inventory at the lower of cost or market, using a weighted-average cost method. We review our inventory to identify slow-moving and broken assortments and use markdowns to clear merchandise and will record inventory reserves if the estimated future selling price is less than cost. In addition, an inventory shrink estimate is made each period that reduces the value of inventory for lost or stolen merchandise. We perform physical inventories through the year and adjust the shrink reserves accordingly.

During fiscal 2007, we recorded approximately \$6.1 million in inventory write-downs associated with the excess merchandise and the acceleration of markdowns associated with seasonal merchandise. The charge also included corrections of freight and other inventory adjustments which were deemed immaterial to the prior periods presented. In addition, during fiscal 2007 we recorded a charge of \$1.1 million for the write-off of inventory related to our decision to exit our Jared M. operations. This charge was included as part of discontinued operations for fiscal 2007.

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets.

We review our long-lived assets for impairment when indicators of impairment are present and the undiscounted cash flow estimated to be generated by those assets is less than the assets' carrying amount. We evaluate our long-lived assets for impairment at a store level for all our retail locations. If actual market conditions are less favorable than management's projections, future write-offs may be necessary.

In fiscal 2008, we recorded an impairment charge for fixed assets of \$5.8 million. See "Provision for Impairment of Assets, Including Goodwill" above for more information. In fiscal 2007, in connection with the exiting of our Jared M. operations, we recorded an impairment charge for fixed assets of \$1.4 million which was included as part of discontinued operations for fiscal 2007.

#### Goodwill and Intangibles.

In accordance with ASC Topic 350, *Intangibles Goodwill and Other*, we evaluate goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite-lives at least annually for impairment by analyzing the estimated fair value. As discussed above under "Provision for Impairment of Assets, Including Goodwill," in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded a full impairment charge of \$63.1 million against our goodwill and a partial impairment of \$2.5 million against our Rochester trademark.

#### Goodwill:

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we performed our annual impairment assessment for each of our reporting units, largely as a result of the deterioration of our market capitalization due to the decline in the economy, and based on the implied fair value concluded that a full impairment had occurred with respect to the goodwill of both reporting units. Accordingly, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recognized a full impairment charge of \$63.1 million.

#### Trademark:

Similar to goodwill, our trademarks are also considered indefinite-lived intangible assets and must also be tested annually for potential impairment. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recognized a partial impairment of our Rochester trademark of \$2.5 million.

At January 30, 2010, we performed our annual testing of both our Casual Male trademark and our Rochester trademark for potential impairment. Utilizing an income approach with appropriate royalty rates applied, we concluded that the Casual Male trademark, with a carrying value of \$29.2 million, and our Rochester trademark, with a carrying value of \$1.5 million, were not impaired.

#### Deferred Taxes.

We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. In fiscal 2008, we recorded a charge of \$28.6 million to establish a valuation allowance against our deferred tax assets. See "Income Taxes" above for more discussion regarding this charge.

#### RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

On July 1, 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") released the Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC"). The ASC became the single source of authoritative nongovernmental U.S. GAAP and was effective for all interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. All existing accounting standards documents were superseded and any other literature not included in the ASC is considered non-authoritative. The adoption of the ASC did not have any impact on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, as the ASC did not change existing U.S. GAAP. The adoption of the ASC changes the approach of referencing authoritative literature by topic (each a "Topic") rather than by type of standard. Accordingly, references to former FASB positions, statements, interpretations, opinions, bulletins or other pronouncements in our Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are now presented as references to the corresponding Topic in the ASC.

In December 2008, an accounting pronouncement was issued relating to employers' disclosures about post-retirement benefit plan assets which requires a company, as a plan sponsor, to provide disclosures about plan assets, including categories of plan assets, the nature of concentrations of risk and disclosures about fair value measurements of plan assets (ASC Topic 715). This pronouncement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009. We adopted this pronouncement as of January 30, 2010. As this pronouncement relates specifically to disclosures, the adoption had no impact on our consolidated financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, an accounting pronouncement was issued relating to information a company needs to provide regarding the sales of securitized financial assets and similar transactions, particularly if the company has continuing exposure to the risks related to transferred financial assets (ASC Topic 860). This pronouncement eliminates the concept of a "qualifying special-purpose entity," changes the requirements for derecognizing financial assets and requires additional disclosures. This pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009. We will adopt this pronouncement as of January 31, 2010. We do not expect this pronouncement will have any impact on our consolidated financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, a pronouncement was issued that clarified how a company determines whether an entity, that is insufficiently capitalized or not controlled through voting (or similar rights), should be capitalized (ASC Topic 810). This determination of whether a company is required to consolidate an entity is based on, among other things, an entity's purpose and design and a company's ability to direct the activities of the entity that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. This pronouncement requires an ongoing reassessment of whether a company is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. This pronouncement also requires additional disclosures about a company's involvement in variable interest entities and any significant changes in risk exposure due to that involvement. This pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009. We will adopt this pronouncement as of January 31, 2010. We do not expect this pronouncement will have any impact on our consolidated financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

On August 1, 2009, we adopted prospectively the accounting pronouncement regarding the general standards of accounting for, and disclosure of, events that occur after the balance sheet date but before the



financial statements are issued (ASC Topic 855). The implementation of this standard did not have any impact on our consolidated financial statements. Subsequent events through March 19, 2010 have been evaluated for disclosure and recognition.

In October 2009, a pronouncement was issued that amended the rules on revenue recognition for multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements. This amendment eliminated the residual method of allocation for multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements, and requires that arrangement consideration be allocated at the inception of an arrangement to all deliverables using the relative selling price method (ASC Topic 605). This pronouncement establishes a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable, which includes: (1) vendor-specific objective evidence if available, (2) third-party evidence if vendor-specific objective evidence is not available, and (3) estimated selling price if neither vendor-specific nor third-party evidence is available. In addition, this pronouncement expands the disclosure requirements related to a vendor's multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements. This pronouncement is effective for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2010. We will adopt this pronouncement as of January 30, 2011. We are currently evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption on our consolidated financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

### EFFECTS OF INFLATION

Although our operations are influenced by general economic trends, we do not believe that inflation has had a material effect on the results of our operations in the last three fiscal years.

#### Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

In the normal course of business, our financial position and results of operations are routinely subject to a variety of risks, including market risk associated with interest rate movements on borrowings and foreign currency fluctuations. We regularly assess these risks and have established policies and business practices to protect against the adverse effects of these and other potential exposures.

#### Interest Rates

We utilize cash from operations and from our Credit Facility to fund our working capital needs. Our Credit Facility is not used for trading or speculative purposes. In addition, we have available letters of credit as sources of financing for our working capital requirements. Borrowings under the Credit Facility, which expires October 29, 2011, bear interest at variable rates based on Bank of America's prime rate or LIBOR. At January 30, 2010, the interest rate on our prime based borrowings was 3.25%. We had no outstanding LIBOR contracts at January 30, 2010. Based upon a sensitivity analysis as of January 30, 2010, assuming average outstanding borrowing during fiscal 2008 of \$32.1 million, a 50 basis point increase in interest rates would have resulted in a potential increase in interest expense of approximately \$0.2 million.

#### Foreign Currency

Our Sears Canada catalog operations conduct business in Canadian dollars and our Rochester Clothing store located in London, England conducts business in British pounds. Our international e-commerce sites conduct business in Euros and British pounds. If the value of the Canadian dollar, British pound or Euro against the U.S. dollar weakens, the revenues and earnings of these operations will be reduced when they are translated or remeasured to U.S. dollars. Also, the value of these assets to U.S. dollars may decline. As of January 30, 2010, sales from our Sears Canada operations, our London Rochester Clothing store and our international e-commerce sites were immaterial to consolidated sales. As such, we believe that movement in foreign currency exchange rates will not have a material adverse affect on our financial position or results of operations.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. as of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended January 30, 2010. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended January 30, 2010, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of January 30, 2010, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 19, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Boston, Massachusetts March 19, 2010

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009

January 30, 2010 January 31, 2009 (Fiscal 2009) (Fiscal 2008) (In thousands, except share data) ASSETS Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents \$ 4.302 \$ 4.953 Accounts receivable 2,494 2,026 Inventories 89,977 98,633 Prepaid expenses and other current assets 8,380 9,097 Total current assets 105,153 114,709 Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization 41.888 52.208 Other assets: 32,809 Intangible assets 33,360 Other assets 1,189 954 Total assets \$ 181,039 \$ 201,231 LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities: Current portion of long-term debt \$ 4,874 \$ 4,874 Current portion of deferred gain on sale-leaseback 1,465 1,465 19,753 23,956 Accounts payable Income taxes payable 1,485 573 Accrued expenses and other current liabilities 28,531 25,076 Notes payable 3,475 38,718 Total current liabilities 59,583 94,662 Long-term liabilities: 2,702 Long-term debt, net of current portion 7.576 Deferred gain on sale-leaseback, net of current portion 21,981 23,447 Deferred income taxes 769 Other long-term liabilities 2,781 3,715 Total long-term liabilities 28,233 34,738 Commitments and contingencies (Note E) Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized, none issued Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized, 58,046,235 and 52,327,609 shares issued at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009, respectively 580 523 275,180 288,367 Additional paid-in capital Treasury stock at cost, 10,877,439 shares at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 (87,977) (87,977) Accumulated deficit (103,982) (110,092) Accumulated other comprehensive loss (3,765) (5,803) Total stockholders' equity 93,223 71,831 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 181,039 201,231 \$

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

# For the fiscal years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008

		wary 30, 2010 <u>cal 2009)</u> (In th	(Fis	uary 31, 2009 <u>cal 2008)</u> , except share	(Fis	oruary 2, 2008 scal 2007)
Sales	\$ 3			144,184		464,128
Cost of goods sold including occupancy costs	2	220,611	2	254,592	5	258,155
Gross profit	1	174,557	1	89,592		205,973
Expenses:						
Selling, general and administrative	1	151,045	1	78,072		178,055
Provision for impairment of assets, including goodwill		—		71,407		—
Depreciation and amortization		15,501		17,100		17,408
Total expenses	1	166,546	2	266,579		195,463
Operating income (loss)		8,011	(	(76,987)		10,510
Other income (expense), net		635		532		502
Interest expense, net		(1,066)		(2,961)		(4,314)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		7,580		(79,416)		6,698
Provision for income taxes		1,470		28,946		2,772
Income (loss) from continuing operations		6,110	(1	08,362)		3,926
Loss from discontinued operations, (net of tax benefit of \$2.3 million in fiscal 2007)		_		(895)		(3,512)
Net income (loss)	\$	6,110	\$(1	09,257)	\$	414
Net income (loss) per share—basic						
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	0.14	\$	(2.62)	\$	0.09
Loss from discontinued operations	\$	0.00	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.08)
Net income (loss)	\$	0.14	\$	(2.64)	\$	0.01
Net income (loss) per share—diluted						
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	0.14	\$	(2.62)	\$	0.09
Loss from discontinued operations	\$	0.00	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.08)
Net income (loss)	\$	0.14	\$	(2.64)	\$	0.01
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding:						
Basic		43,552		41,412		41,707
Diluted		43,982		41,412		43,229

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

# For the fiscal years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008

(In thousands)

	Common Stock				Common Stock Shares Amounts		Paid-in		<u>Treasu</u> Shares	Accumul Defici		Accum Otl Compre Income	her hensive	Total
Balance at February 3, 2007	50,860	\$ 509	\$ 258,334	(6,686)	Amounts \$ (38,570)		.,249)	\$	(978)	\$ 218,046				
Repurchase of common stock				(4,191)	(49,407)					(49,407)				
Exercises under option program	358	4	2,006	()-)	(-/-/					2,010				
Exercises of warrants	1,029	10	8,740							8,750				
Stock option compensation expense			2,121							2,121				
Board of Directors compensation	20		153							153				
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):														
Unrecognized loss associated with Pension Plan									(741)	(741)				
Foreign currency									595	595				
Net income							414			414				
Total comprehensive income										268				
Balance at February 2, 2008	52,267	<b>\$</b> 523	\$ 271,354	(10,877)	<u>\$ (87,977</u> )	\$	<u>(835</u> )	\$	(1,124)	\$ 181,941				
Stock option repurchase			(7)							(7)				
Stock option compensation expense			3,691							3,691				
Board of Directors compensation	61	_	142							142				
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):														
Unrecognized loss associated with Pension Plan									(3,386)	(3,386)				
Foreign currency									(1,293)	(1,293)				
Net loss						(109	,257)			(109,257)				
Total comprehensive loss										(113,936)				
Balance at January 31, 2009	52,328	\$ 523	\$ 275,180	(10,877)	<u>\$ (87,977</u> )	\$ (110	<u>,092</u> )	\$	(5,803)	\$ 71,831				
Issuance of common stock through a registered direct offering	4,950	50	13,563							13,613				
Costs of raising capital			(1,115)							(1,115)				
Exercises under option program	154	1	192							193				
Issuance of restricted stock	614	6								6				
Stock option compensation expense			547							547				
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):														
Unrecognized loss associated with Pension Plan									1,360	1,360				
Foreign currency									678	678				
Net income						e	5,110			6,110				
Total comprehensive income										8,148				
Balance at January 30, 2010	58,046	\$ 580	\$ 288,367	(10,877)	<u>\$ (87,977</u> )	\$ (103	, <u>982</u> )	\$	(3,765)	\$ 93,223				

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# For the fiscal years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008

	Fiscal 2009	Fiscal 2008 (In thousands)	Fiscal 2007
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income (loss)	\$ 6,110	\$(109,257)	\$ 414
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	—	895	2,034
Amortization of deferred gain on sale leaseback	(1,466)	(1,465)	(1,466)
Provision for impairment of assets, including goodwill	—	71,407	
Provision for impairment of assets— discontinued operations	—	—	1,478
Depreciation and amortization	15,501	17,100	17,408
Deferred taxes, net of valuation allowance	769	28,617	1,855
Loss from disposal of property and equipment	—	127	51
Stock option compensation	547	3,691	2,121
Issuance of common stock to Board of Directors	—	142	153
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effect of businesses acquired:			
Accounts receivable	(1,103)	254	436
Inventories	8,656	19,154	(4,405)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	717	997	1,012
Other assets	(231)	283	533
Accounts payable	(4,203)	(10,231)	(1,181)
Accrued liabilities for severance, store closings and impairment charges	—	(175)	(995)
Income taxes	918	1,986	(4,217)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	4,559	(328)	(3,493)
Net cash provided by operating activities	30,774	23,197	11,738
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Additions to property and equipment, net	(4,634)	(12,595)	(21,377)
Proceeds from sale of businesses	635	532	502
Payment of earn-out provision for Rochester acquisition	_	(1,333)	(1,333)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	_	(3,000)	_
Net cash used for investing activities	(3,999)	(16,396)	(22,208)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net borrowings (repayments) under credit facility	(35,243)	(2,260)	32,449
Net proceeds from the issuance of common stock through a direct offering	12,498		
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt, net of commissions and offering costs		_	19,496
Principal payments on long-term debt	(4,874)	(4,874)	(2,860)
Proceeds from the exercise of warrants	(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		8,750
Repurchase of common stock	_		(49,407)
Repurchase of certain stock options	_	(7)	(10,107)
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options under option program	193	(.)	2,010
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	(27,426)	(7,141)	10,438
Vet decrease in cash and cash equivalents			
•	(651)	(340)	(32)
Cash and cash equivalents:	4,953	E 202	5,325
Beginning of the year		5,293	
End of the year	\$ 4,302	\$ 4,953	\$ 5,293

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

# CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# JANUARY 30, 2010

# A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Nature of Business

Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. ("Company") is the largest specialty retailer of big & tall men's apparel. The Company operates under the trade names of Casual Male XL, Casual Male XL Outlets, Rochester Clothing, B & T Factory Direct, Shoes XL and Living XL. At January 30, 2010, the Company operated 460 Casual Male XL retail and outlet stores located throughout the United States, 19 Rochester Clothing stores located in major U.S. cities, including one store in London, England. The Company also operates a direct business throughout the United States, Canada and Europe which includes several catalogs and e-commerce sites to support its brands and product extensions.

### **Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts, transactions and profits are eliminated.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from estimates.

#### Accounting Standards Codification

On July 1, 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") released the Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC"). The ASC became the single source of authoritative nongovernmental U.S. GAAP and is effective for all interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. All existing accounting standards documents were superseded and any other literature not included in the ASC is considered non-authoritative. The adoption of the ASC did not have any impact on the Company's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, as the ASC did not change existing U.S. GAAP. The adoption of the ASC changes the approach of referencing authoritative literature by topic (each a "Topic") rather than by type of standard. Accordingly, references to former FASB positions, statements, interpretations, opinions, bulletins or other pronouncements in the Company's Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are now presented as references to the corresponding Topic in the ASC.

#### Subsequent Events

All appropriate subsequent event disclosures, if any, have been made in these Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### Segment Reporting

The Company reports its operations as one reportable segment, Big & Tall Men's Apparel, which consists of its three operating segments—B&T Factory Direct, Casual Male XL and Rochester Clothing. The Company considers its operating segments to be similar in terms of economic characteristic, production processes and operations, and have therefore aggregated them into a single reporting segment. The operating results and assets



of the Company's direct businesses, Living XL, Shoes XL and the Company's International Web Stores, are immaterial.

#### Fiscal Year

The Company's fiscal year is a 52-week or 53-week period ending on the Saturday closest to January 31. Fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007 ended on January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008, respectively.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Short-term investments, which have a maturity of ninety days or less when acquired, are considered cash equivalents.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

ASC Topic 825, *Financial Instruments*, requires disclosure of the fair value of certain financial instruments. The carrying amounts for the Company's long-term debt approximate fair value as the interest rates and terms are substantially similar to those that could be obtained currently for similar instruments. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses and short-term borrowings approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and enhances disclosures about fair value measurements.

### Inventories

All inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market, using a weighted-average cost method.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Major additions and improvements are capitalized while repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Upon retirement or other disposition, the cost and related depreciation of the assets are removed from the accounts and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is reflected in income. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful lives as follows:

Five to ten years
Five to ten years
Lesser of useful lives or related lease term
Three to seven years

#### Goodwill and Intangibles

ASC Topic 805, *Business Combinations*, requires that all business combinations be accounted for under the purchase method. The statement further requires separate recognition of intangible assets that meet one of two criteria set forth in the statement. Under ASC Topic 350, *Intangibles Goodwill and Other*, goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives are no longer amortized but are tested at least annually for impairment. Separable intangible assets with defined lives will continue to be amortized over their useful lives.

At least annually, as of the Company's December month-end, the Company evaluates goodwill, based on two separate operating segments, its Casual Male business and its Rochester business. The goodwill assigned to each operating segment represents the initial purchase price allocation to goodwill as a result of their respective acquisitions. The Company also performs an impairment analysis and records an impairment charge for any

intangible assets with a carrying value in excess of its fair value. Although there were no impairments in fiscal 2009, the Company did incur charges during fiscal 2008 related to its goodwill and intangibles. The following is a discussion of the results of the Company's impairment testing for fiscal 2008:

#### Goodwill:

At the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company determined that a full impairment had occurred with respect to the goodwill of both reporting units and, accordingly, recognized an impairment charge of \$63.1 million for the fourth quarter and fiscal year 2008. The implied fair value of the reporting units were determined using a combination of the income approach, which estimates the fair value of the reporting unit based on future discounted cash flows, and the market approach, which estimates the fair value of the reporting unit on comparable market prices. The income approach was based upon a set of assumptions regarding discounted future cash flows, which represented management's best estimate of future performance at the time.

Further, the aggregate estimated fair value of the reporting units was qualitatively reconciled to the market capitalization of the consolidated Company. In addition to traditional control premiums, certain reconciling items were identified that have led to a difference between the market capitalization and the fair value of the Company, primarily related to the market's uncertainty regarding the Company's future operating results and expected liquidity because no earnings guidance had been provided since the second quarter of fiscal 2008.

#### Trademark:

Similar to goodwill, the Company's trademarks are also considered indefinite-lived intangible assets and must also be tested annually for potential impairment. At January 31, 2009, both the Casual Male trademark and the Rochester trademark were tested for potential impairment. Utilizing an income approach with applicable royalty rates applied, the Company concluded that the Casual Male trademark, with a carrying value of \$29.2 million was not impaired. However, the Company concluded that a partial impairment of its Rochester trademark had occurred and, accordingly, a charge was recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008 for \$2.5 million to reduce the value of the Rochester trademark to \$1.5 million.

The remaining trademark values were tested at January 30, 2010 and the Company concluded that no additional impairment to the value of its trademarks had occurred.

Below is a table showing the changes in the carrying value of the Company's intangible assets from January 31, 2009 to January 30, 2010:

	January 31, 2009 Additions		D Imp	Write-off Due to <u>Impairment</u> (in thousands)				<u>January 30, 2010</u>		
Trademarks	\$	30,700	\$ —	\$		\$	_	\$	30,700	
Other intangibles		2,660	—		—		(551)		2,109	

(1) Approximately \$111,000 of the \$551,000 of amortization, which relates to the amortization of favorable lease commitments, was included in costs of good sold (as part of occupancy costs) on the Consolidated Statement of Operations for fiscal 2009.

Other intangibles, which include customer lists, non-compete agreements and favorable leases commitments, are the only intangible assets with defined lives, which range from 3 to 16 years based on each asset's estimated economic useful life.

The gross carrying amount and accumulated amortization of our intangibles, subject to amortization, were \$4.4 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, at January 30, 2010 and \$4.4 million and \$1.7 million, respectively, at January 31, 2009. Amortization expense for fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$551,000, \$388,000 and \$343,000, respectively. Amortization expense for other intangible assets for the next five fiscal years is as follows:

FISCAL YEAR	<u>(in t</u>	thousands)
2010	\$	513
2011	\$	499
2012	\$	437
2013	\$	231
2014	\$	100

#### **Pre-opening Costs**

The Company expenses all pre-opening costs for its stores as incurred.

#### **Advertising Costs**

The Company expenses in-store advertising costs as incurred. Direct response advertising costs, which consist of catalog production and postage costs, are deferred and amortized over the period of expected direct marketing revenues, which is less than one year. Direct response costs which were deferred at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 were \$0.7 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. Advertising expense, which is included in selling, general and administrative expenses, was \$19.1 million, \$34.1 million and \$34.4 million for fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue from the Company's retail store operation is recorded upon purchase of merchandise by customers, net of an allowance for sales returns and allowances. Revenue from the Company's catalog and e-commerce operations is recognized at the time a customer order is shipped.

#### Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Other comprehensive income (loss) include amounts related to foreign currency and pension and are reported in the Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity. The components of the accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 are as follows:

	Janua	<u>iry 30, 2010</u>	Janua thousands)	ry 31, 2009
Foreign currency	\$	113	\$	(565)
Pension		(3,878)		(5,238)
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$	(3,765)	\$	(5,803)

#### Foreign Currency Translation

At January 30, 2010, the Company operates a direct business in Canada and has one Rochester Clothing store located in London, England. Assets and liabilities of these operations are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates in effect at each balance sheet date. Stockholders' equity is translated at applicable historical exchange rates. Income, expense and cash flow items are translated at average exchange rates during the period. Resulting translation adjustments are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity.

#### Shipping and Handling Costs

Shipping and handling costs are included in cost of sales for all periods presented.

#### Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes are provided to recognize the effect of temporary differences between tax and financial statement reporting. Such taxes are provided for using enacted tax rates expected to be in place when such temporary differences are realized. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce deferred tax assets if it is determined that it is more likely than not that the full deferred tax asset would not be realized. If it is subsequently determined that a deferred tax asset will more likely than not be realized, a credit to earnings is recorded to reduce the allowance.

In July 2006 the guidance within ASC Topic 740 related to accounting for income taxes was issued which clarified a company's accounting for uncertain income tax positions that are recognized in its financial statements. ASC Topic 740 also provides guidance on a company's de-recognition of uncertain positions, financial statement classification, accounting for interest and penalties, accounting for interim periods, and disclosure requirements. The Company adopted the accounting pronouncements for uncertain income tax positions as of February 4, 2007 and, accordingly, will recognize the benefit from a tax position only if it is more likely than not that the position would be sustained upon audit based solely on the technical merits of the tax position. At January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009, the Company had no material unrecognized tax benefits based on the provisions of ASC Topic 740.

The Company is subject to U.S. federal income tax as well as income tax of multiple state and foreign jurisdictions. The Company has concluded all U.S. federal income tax matters for years through fiscal 1997, with remaining fiscal years subject to income tax examination by federal tax authorities.

The Company's policy is to recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in its income tax provision. The Company has not accrued or paid interest or penalties which were material to its results of operations for fiscal 2009.

#### Net Income Per Share

Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the respective period. Diluted earnings per share is determined by giving effect to un-vested shares of restricted stock and the exercise of stock options and warrants using the treasury stock method. The following table provides a reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding for basic and diluted earnings per share:

			FISCA	L YEARS ENDED		
	Janua	anuary 30, 2010 January 31, 2009 (in thousands)				uary 2, 2008
Net Income:			(.	in thousands)		
Net income (loss)—Basic and Diluted	\$	6,110	\$	(109,257)	\$	414
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding:						
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding		43,552		41,412		41,707
Stock options and warrants, excluding anti-dilutive options and warrants of						
183 shares for January 31, 2009		430				1,522
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding		43,982		41,412		43,229

The following potential common stock equivalents were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share in each year because the exercise price of such options and warrants was greater than the average market price per share of common stock for the respective periods or the impact of ASC Topic 718, *Compensation—Stock Compensation*, primarily related to unearned compensation.

	I	FISCAL YEARS ENDED			
	January 30, 2010	January 31, 2009	February 2, 2008		
	(in the	ousands, except exercise pri	ces)		
Options	3,383	3,388	1,594		
Warrants	1,058	1,058	—		
Ranges of exercise prices of such Options and warrants	\$ 2.38 - \$10.26	\$ 3.15 - \$10.26	\$ 7.52 - \$12.35		

#### Stock-based Compensation

ASC Topic 718, *Compensation—Stock Compensation*, requires measurement of compensation cost for all stock awards at fair value on date of grant and recognition of compensation over the service period for awards expected to vest. The fair value of stock options is determined using the Black-Scholes valuation model and requires the input of subjective assumptions. These assumptions include estimating the length of time employees will retain their vested stock options before exercising them (the "expected term"), the estimated volatility of the Company's common stock price over the expected term and the number of options that will ultimately not complete their vesting requirements ("forfeitures"). As required under the accounting rules, the Company reviews its valuation assumptions at each grant date and, as a result, is likely to change its valuation assumptions used to value employee stock-based awards granted in future periods. The values derived from using the Black-Scholes model are recognized as expense over the vesting period, net of estimated forfeitures. The estimation of stock awards that will ultimately vest requires significant judgment. Actual results, and future changes in estimates, may differ from the Company's current estimates.

For fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2008, the Company recognized total compensation expense of \$0.6 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, with no corresponding tax benefit. Compensation expense for fiscal 2008 included \$1.5 million related to the acceleration of certain options which were repurchased and cancelled by the Company. See Note G for additional information. For fiscal 2007, the Company recognized compensation expense of \$2.1 million, or approximately \$1.2 million after tax. Of the total compensation expense of \$2.1 million, approximately \$0.3 million was reflected in discontinued operations.

The total compensation cost related to non-vested awards not yet recognized is approximately \$1.0 million which will be expensed, on a straight-line basis, over a weighted average remaining life of 21 months. The total fair value of options vested was \$0.2 million for fiscal 2009.

#### Valuation Assumptions for Stock Options

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions used for grants in fiscal 2008 and 2007. There were no option grants during fiscal 2009.

	FISCAL YEA	ARS ENDED
	January 31, 2009	February 2, 2008
Expected volatility	45.0%	40.0%
Risk-free interest rate	2.39%-3.15%	4.07%-4.85%
Expected life	3.0-4.5	2.0-4.5
Dividend rate		_
Weighted average fair value of options granted	\$1.61	\$3.62

Expected volatilities are based on historical volatilities of the Company's common stock; the expected life represents the weighted average period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding giving consideration to vesting schedules and historical exercise patterns; and the risk-free rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant for periods corresponding with the expected life of the option.

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company reviews its long-lived assets for events or changes in circumstances that might indicate the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. The Company assesses the recoverability of the assets by determining whether the carrying value of such assets over their respective remaining lives can be recovered through projected undiscounted future cash flows. The amount of impairment, if any, is measured based on projected discounted future cash flows using a discount rate reflecting the Company's average cost of funds.

#### There were no material impairment charges in fiscal 2009.

For fiscal 2008, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$5.8 million related to the impairment of its long-lived assets. Approximately \$5.0 million of the \$5.8 million was for the write-down of assets for the Company's Rochester Clothing stores and the remaining \$0.8 million was for certain underperforming Casual Male XL stores. For fiscal 2007, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$1.4 million related to the Company's decision to exit its Jared M. operations. The charge of \$1.4 million was included as part of discontinued operations for fiscal 2007.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2008, an accounting pronouncement was issued relating to employers' disclosures about post-retirement benefit plan assets which requires a company, as a plan sponsor, to provide disclosures about plan assets, including categories of plan assets, the nature of concentrations of risk and disclosures about fair value measurements of plan assets (ASC Topic 715). This pronouncement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009. The Company adopted this pronouncement as of January 30, 2010. As this pronouncement relates specifically to disclosures, the adoption had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, a pronouncement was issued that clarified how a company determines whether an entity, that is insufficiently capitalized or not controlled through voting (or similar rights), should be capitalized (ASC Topic 810). This determination of whether a company is required to consolidate an entity is based on, among other things, an entity's purpose and design and a company's ability to direct the activities of the entity that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. This pronouncement requires an ongoing reassessment of whether a company is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. This pronouncement also requires additional disclosures about a company's involvement in variable interest entities and any significant changes in risk exposure due to that involvement. This pronouncement is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009. The Company will adopt this pronouncement as of January 31, 2010. This pronouncement is not expected to have any impact on its consolidated financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In October 2009, a pronouncement was issued that amended the rules on revenue recognition for multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements. This amendment eliminated the residual method of allocation for multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements, and requires that arrangement consideration be allocated at the inception of an arrangement to all deliverables using the relative selling price method (ASC Topic 605). This pronouncement establishes a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable, which includes: (1) vendor-specific objective evidence if available, (2) third-party evidence if vendor-specific objective evidence is not available, and (3) estimated selling price if neither vendor-specific nor third-party evidence is available. In addition, this pronouncement expands the disclosure requirements related to a vendor's multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements. This pronouncement is effective for revenue arrangements entered into or materially

modified in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2010. The Company will adopt this pronouncement as of January 30, 2011. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption on its consolidated financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

# **B. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

Property and equipment consisted of the following at the dates indicated:

	January 30, 2010	January 31, 2009
	(in t	thousands)
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 37,456	\$ 37,787
Equipment	12,121	13,121
Leasehold improvements	24,295	24,572
Hardware and software	38,922	36,329
Construction in progress	681	1,130
	113,475	112,939
Less accumulated depreciation	71,587	60,731
Total property and equipment	\$ 41,888	\$ 52,208

Depreciation expense related to continuing operations for fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$14.9 million, \$16.6 million and \$16.9 million, respectively. Depreciation expense for fiscal 2007 excludes depreciation expense recorded in discontinued operations of \$0.2 million.

# C. DEBT OBLIGATIONS

### Credit Agreement with Bank of America, N.A.

The Company has a credit facility with Bank of America, N.A., most recently amended on December 20, 2007 (the "Credit Facility").

The Credit Facility provides for a total commitment of \$110 million comprised of (i) a \$100 million revolving credit facility which includes a sublimit of \$20 million for commercial and standby letters of credit and a sublimit of up to \$15 million for SwingLine Loans and (ii) a \$10 million "Last Out" revolving credit facility, which will be subordinate to the \$100 million revolving credit facility. If at any time the Company's Excess Availability Ratio, as defined in the Credit Facility, is less than 50%, the Company's borrowings must first be made from the "Last Out" revolving credit facility before borrowing from the \$100 million revolving credit facility bear interest at variable rates based on Bank of America's prime rate or the London Interbank Offering Rate ("LIBOR") and vary depending on our levels of excess availability. The maturity date of the Credit Facility is October 29, 2011.

The Company's obligations under the Credit Facility are secured by a lien on all of its assets. The Credit Facility includes certain covenants and events of default customary for credit facilities of this nature, including change of control provisions and limitations on payment of dividends by the Company. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants under the Credit Facility at January 30, 2010.

At January 30, 2010, the Company had borrowings outstanding under the Credit Facility of \$3.5 million and outstanding standby letters of credit of \$2.5 million and documentary letters of credit of \$4.5 million. Unused excess availability at January 30, 2010 was \$57.8 million. Average borrowings outstanding under this facility during fiscal 2009 were approximately \$32.1 million, resulting in an average unused excess availability of approximately \$37.1 million. The Company's ability to borrow under the Credit Facility is determined using an availability formula based on eligible assets, with increased advance rates based on seasonality.

The fair value of amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility approximates the carrying value at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009. At the Company's option, any portion of the outstanding borrowings can be converted to LIBOR-based contracts; the remainder bears interest based on prime. At January 30, 2010, all of the Company's outstanding borrowings were prime-based at an interest rate of 3.25%.

#### Long-Term Debt

Components of long-term debt are as follows (in thousands):

	January 30, 2010	January 31, 2009
Total long-term debt	\$ 7,576	\$ 12,450
Less: current portion of long-term debt	(4,874)	(4,874)
Long-term debt, less current portion	\$ 2,702	\$ 7,576

#### Master Loan and Security Agreement with Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC

On July 20, 2007, the Company entered into a Master Loan and Security Agreement (the "Master Agreement") with Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC ("BALC") for equipment financing. In conjunction with the Master Agreement, the Company entered into an Equipment Security Note (the "First Secured Note"), whereby it borrowed an aggregate of \$17.4 million from BALC. The First Secured Note is due July 20, 2011.

On January 16, 2008, the Company entered into a second Equipment Security Note (the "Second Secured Note") pursuant to the same terms and provisions of the Master Agreement, whereby it borrowed an additional \$2.1 million. The Second Secured Note is due January 16, 2012.

Both secured notes accrue interest at a per annum rate of 1.75% plus the rate of interest equal to the 30-day published LIBOR rate. Principal and interest, in arrears, are payable monthly, commencing one month after issuance of such note. The Company is subject to a prepayment penalty on both secured notes equal to 1% of the prepaid principal until the first anniversary of the respective secured note, 0.5% of the prepaid principal from the first day after the first anniversary through the end of the second anniversary and no prepayment penalty thereafter. At January 30, 2010, the outstanding balance of the secured notes was \$7.6 million.

Both notes are secured by a security interest in all of the Company's rights, title and interest in and to certain equipment. The Master Agreement includes certain debt covenants similar to, and no more restrictive than, those under the Company's Credit Facility with Bank of America, N.A. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants under the Master Agreement at January 30, 2010.

#### Long-term debt maturities

Annual maturities of long-term debt for the next five fiscal years are as follows:

	(in th	housands)
Fiscal 2010	\$	4,874
Fiscal 2011		2,702
Fiscal 2012		
Fiscal 2013		_
Fiscal 2014		

The Company paid interest and fees on all the above described debt obligations totaling \$1.4 million, \$3.1 million and \$4.8 million for fiscal 2009, fiscal 2008 and fiscal 2007, respectively.



### **D. INCOME TAXES**

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes*. Under ASC Topic 740, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized based on temporary differences between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect in the years in which the differences are expected to reverse. The accounting regulation requires current recognition of net deferred tax assets to the extent it is more likely than not such net assets will be realized. To the extent that the Company believes its net deferred tax assets will not be realized, a valuation allowance must be recorded against those assets.

Realization of the Company's deferred tax assets, relating principally to federal net operating loss carryforwards, which expire from 2018 through 2029, is dependent on generating sufficient taxable income in the near term. The effect of the weakening economy on the Company's retail business in fiscal 2008 had a significant impact on the Company's revenue and profitability. Further, the conditions of the economy also negatively impacted its market value as a result of the deterioration of the capital markets and resulted in substantial impairments which contributed to the operating loss. Accordingly, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company recorded a valuation allowance of \$28.6 million against its deferred tax assets.

In the event the Company's future performance continues to result in overall profitability, the Company will be able to reduce its valuation allowance.

As of January 30, 2010, the Company had net operating loss carryforwards of \$67.0 million for federal income tax purposes and \$39.0 million for state income tax purposes that are available to offset future taxable income, subject to certain annual usage limitations, through fiscal year 2029. As a result of the Casual Male acquisition and the issuance of additional equity in fiscal 2002, at January 30, 2010, the utilization of approximately \$10.3 million in federal net operating losses is subject to an annual limitation of approximately \$4.8 million per year. Additionally, the Company has alternative minimum tax credit carryforwards of \$2.3 million, which are available to further reduce income taxes over an indefinite period.

Included in the net operating loss carryforwards for both federal and state income tax is approximately \$4.2 million relating to disqualifying dispositions of incentive stock options, the tax benefit from which, if realized, will be credited to additional paid in capital.

The components of the net deferred tax assets as of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 are as follows (in thousands):

	January 30, 2010	January 31, 2009
Deferred taxes:		
Inventory reserves	\$ 1,815	\$ 2,885
Accrued expenses and other	2,933	390
Gain on sale-leaseback	9,262	9,841
Gain on sale of LPI	187	318
Rabbi trust	—	90
Lease accruals	2,778	2,457
Net operating loss carryforward	25,808	29,331
Foreign tax credit carryforward	550	473
Unrecognized loss on foreign exchange	84	_
Unrecognized loss on pension	2,227	2,596
Alternative minimum tax credit carryforward	2,311	2,187
Excess of book over tax depreciation/amortization	1,596	1,215
Goodwill and intangibles	6,127	7,709
Subtotal	55,678	59,492
Valuation allowance	(56,447)	(59,492)
Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	<u>\$ (769)</u>	\$ —

The provision for income taxes from continuing operations consists of the following:

		IDED	
	January 30,         January 31,           2010         2009           (in thousands)		February 2, 2008
Current:			
Federal and state	\$ 628	\$ 246	\$ 806
Foreign	73	83	111
	 701	329	917
Deferred:			
Federal and state	769	28,395	2,078
Foreign		222	(223)
	769	28,617	1,855
Total provision	\$ 1,470	\$ 28,946	\$ 2,772

The following is a reconciliation between the statutory and effective income tax rates in dollars:

	F	FISCAL YEARS ENDED	
	January 30, 2010	January 31, 2009 (in thousands)	February 2, 2008
Federal income tax at the statutory rate	\$ 2,653	\$ (28,109)	\$ 2,344
State income and other taxes, net of federal tax benefit	334	(2,357)	322
Permanent items	616	96	73
Repurchase and cancellation of stock options		1,975	
Charge/(income) for valuation allowance <sup>(1)</sup>	(2,320)	56,838	(21)
Other, net	187	503	54
Provision for income tax from continuing operations	\$ 1,470	\$ 28,946	\$ 2,772

(1) For fiscal 2008, approximately \$1.4 million of the \$58.2 million increase in valuation allowance was charged to Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss for increase in unrecognized pension losses and therefore did not affect the income tax provision.

The Company made tax payments of \$0.2 million, \$0.2 million and \$2.1 million for fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

# E. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

At January 30, 2010, the Company was obligated under operating leases covering store and office space, automobiles and certain equipment for future minimum rentals as follows:

	TOTAL
FISCAL YEAR	(in thousands)
2010	\$ 48,002
2011	42,819
2012	36,433
2013	27,648
2014	20,494
Thereafter	92,783
	\$ 268,179

In addition to future minimum rental payments, many of the store leases include provisions for common area maintenance, mall charges, escalation clauses and additional rents based on a percentage of store sales above designated levels. The store leases are generally five years in length and contain renewal options extending their terms to between 5 and 10 years.

Amounts charged to operations for all occupancy costs, automobile and leased equipment expense were \$55.6 million, \$55.0 million and \$53.0 million for fiscal 2009, fiscal 2008 and fiscal 2007, respectively.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, as part of a sale-leaseback transaction with a subsidiary of Spirit Finance Corp. ("Spirit"), the Company entered into a twenty-year lease agreement for its corporate headquarters and distribution center whereby the Company agreed to lease the property it sold to Spirit back for an annual rent of \$4.6 million. The Company realized a gain of approximately \$29.3 million on the sale of this property, which has been deferred and is being amortized over the initial 20 years of the related lease agreement. At the end of the initial term, the Company will have the opportunity to extend the Lease Agreement for six additional successive periods of five years. In addition, on February 1, 2011, the fifth anniversary of the Lease Agreement, and for every fifth anniversary thereafter, the base rent will be subject to a rent increase not to exceed the lesser of 7% or a percentage based on changes in the Consumer Price Index. Accordingly, the Company's annual rent of \$4.6 million will be offset each lease year by \$1.5 million related to the amortization of this deferred gain. This lease commitment, excluding the impact of the gain, is included in the above table of expected future minimum rentals obligations.

#### F. EQUITY

#### Sale of Common Stock

During the third quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company raised gross proceeds of \$13.6 million from the sale of 4.95 million shares of its common stock through a registered direct offering. Offering costs associated with the sale were approximately \$1.1 million. The net proceeds of approximately \$12.5 million from this offering were used for general corporate purposes, primarily the repayment of indebtedness.

#### Shareholder Rights Plan

The Company has a Shareholder Rights Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2008, as amended on June 29, 2009 and December 7, 2009 (as amended, the "Rights Agreement"). Pursuant to the Rights Agreement, the Board of Directors authorized and declared a dividend of one preferred stock purchase right (a "Right" and collectively, the "Rights") for each share of the Company's common stock outstanding at the close of business of December 8, 2009. Each Right entitles the registered holder to purchase from the Company one one-thousandth of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, at a purchase price of \$5.00 per share, subject to adjustment.

Initially, these Rights are not exercisable and will trade with the shares of the Company's common stock. The Rights will become exercisable in accordance with the terms of the Rights Agreement in the event that any person or group of associated persons is deemed an "Acquiring Person" within the definition of the Rights Agreement. The Rights will expire at 12:00 midnight at the end of the day June 1, 2010, unless earlier redeemed or exchanged by the Company.

#### Long-Term Performance Share Bonus Plan

On May 1, 2008, the Company adopted its Long-Term Incentive Plan for which certain key members of senior management are eligible to participate. Pursuant to the plan, if the Company achieves EBITDA and operating margin percent targets (collectively the "Metrics") as set each year by the Company's Board of Directors, each participant in the plan will be entitled to receive an award (depending on the target level achieved for each Metric) of the participant's "target cash value" which is defined as the participant's respective actual annual base salary (which is a blend of salary plus any salary adjustments made during the course of the relevant fiscal year) multiplied by the long-term incentive program percentage in such participant's employment agreement. The Company did not achieve the Metrics for fiscal 2008 and accordingly, no awards were issued.

For fiscal 2009, the minimum threshold to receive an award was achievement of 80% of each Metric and the maximum award was capped at 150% of the target level for each Metric. Awards are payable, based on the irrevocable election of each participant, in either cash, stock options and/or restricted shares or any combination thereof. Based on the operating results for fiscal 2009, the Company will grant an award of 125%, which approximates a total payout of \$4.2 million, and will vest ratably through fiscal 2013. Since the awards contain a performance feature that is forfeited if not achieved and the targets for fiscal 2009 were authorized and approved by the Board of Directors in May 2009, the service inception date precedes the grant date, and therefore, the Company recognized compensation expense of \$755,000 of the \$4.2 million in fiscal 2009.

Certain participants elected to receive their award in restricted shares and stock options in lieu of cash. Accordingly, subsequent to January 30, 2010, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors is expected to approve the granting of approximately 250,000 shares of restricted stock and stock options to purchase approximately 16,000 shares of common stock. The actual number of awards will not be determinable until the actual date of grant. The awards will vest ratably over three years, with the first one-third vesting on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

# G. STOCK OPTIONS AND RESTRICTED STOCK

The Company has one share-based compensation plan, the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (as amended, the "2006 Plan"). Grants still remain outstanding under the Company's previous 1992 Stock Incentive Plan (the "1992 Plan"); however, as a result of the adoption of the 2006 Plan, no further grants can be made under the 1992 Plan.

Under the terms of the 2006 Plan, up to 3,250,000 shares of common stock were available for the granting of awards; provided, however, that the maximum number of shares available for the granting of awards other than stock options and stock appreciation rights, or SARs, cannot exceed 1,250,000 shares. The terms of the 2006 Plan provide for grants of stock options, SARs, restricted stock, deferred stock, other stock-related awards and performance awards that may be settled in cash, stock or other property.

The 2006 Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee, all of the members of which are non-employee directors who qualify as independent under the listing standards of the Nasdaq Global Select Market. The Compensation Committee makes all determinations with respect to amounts and conditions covering awards. Options are not granted at a price less than fair value on the date of the grant. Options granted to employees and executives typically vest over three years and options granted to non-employee directors vest over two years. Generally, options expire ten years from the date of grant; however, in fiscal 2008, the Company granted to Messrs. Levin and Hernreich options with a maturity date limited to 4 years.

#### Repurchase and Cancellation of Options

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Board of Directors approved the repurchase of certain stock options with exercise prices significantly in excess of market price from certain directors and executive officers. The Company repurchased and cancelled the eligible options in exchange for cash payments equal to the fair value of the applicable options on the date of repurchase, as determined using Black-Scholes. The Black-Scholes value of each option repurchased was calculated based upon the closing stock price of the Company's common stock on January 29, 2009.

The Company repurchased options with underlying shares totaling 2,291,512 for an aggregate purchase price of \$7,192. These options had exercise prices ranging from \$4.54 to \$12.35 per share. Of the 2,291,512

shares underlying the repurchased and cancelled options, options covering 1,246,004 shares were issued under the 2006 Plan and, in accordance with the terms of the 2006 Plan, became available for future issuance under the 2006 Plan. In connection with the one-time repurchase and cancellation of these options, the Company recognized additional stock compensation expense of approximately \$1.5 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008 related to the acceleration of vesting. The Company has no intention of repurchasing any options in the future, nor has any options been repurchased prior to this event.

#### 2006 Plan—Stock Option and Restricted Share Award Activity

# Stock Option Activity

The following table summarizes stock option activity under the 2006 Plan for fiscal 2009:

Stock Options	Number of Shares	Weighted- average Exercise price per Option	Weighted- average Remaining <u>Contractual Term</u>	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (1)
Outstanding options at beginning of year	690,000	\$ 4.75		
Options granted		—		
Options canceled	20,000	\$ 1.48		
Options exercised				
Outstanding options at end of year	670,000	\$ 4.72	4.7 years	\$ —
Vested and expected to vest at end of year	665,200	\$ 4.71	4.7 years	\$ —
Options exercisable at end of year	163,341	\$ 5.06	8.3 years	\$ —

(1) There was no aggregate intrinsic value at January 31, 2009 due to the fact that all outstanding options were underwater.

There were no option exercises under the 2006 Plan during the past three fiscal years.

#### Restricted Share Activity

The following table summarizes activity for non-vested shares ("restricted shares") under the 2006 Plan for fiscal 2009:

Restricted Shares	Number of Shares	Weighted- average Grant- Date Fair Value \$ —
Restricted shares outstanding at beginning of year	—	\$ —
Restricted shares granted	672,500	1.35
Restricted shares vested	—	
Restricted shares canceled	57,500	1.32
Restricted shares exercised	_	
Restricted shares outstanding at end of year	615,000	\$ 1.35

Approximately \$0.6 million of the total unrecognized stock compensation cost of \$1.0 million is related to restricted shares at January 30, 2010. The cost of the \$0.6 million is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 27.5 months.

#### Share Availability Under the 2006 Plan

At January 30, 2010, the Company has 1,881,387 shares available for future grant under the 2006 Plan. Of this amount, 551,387 shares remain available for awards other than options and stock appreciation rights. See Note F, Equity, above for a further discussion of potential grants subsequent to January 30, 2010 as it relates to the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan.

# 1992 Plan—Stock Option Activity-

The following table summarizes stock option activity under the 1992 Plan for fiscal 2009:

Stock Options	Number of Shares	Weighted- average Exercise price per Option	Weighted- average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at beginning of year	2,141,925	\$ 5.54		
Options granted	—	—		
Options canceled	15,000	9.41		
Options exercised	127,500	1.22		
Outstanding at end of year	1,999,425	\$ 5.78	3.6 years	\$70,219
Vested and expected to vest at end of year	1,999,425	\$ 5.78	3.6 years	\$70,219
Options exercisable at end of year	1,999,425	\$ 5.78	3.6 years	\$70,219

The total intrinsic value of options exercised was \$0.3 million for fiscal 2009 and \$1.7 million for fiscal 2007. There were no option exercises during fiscal 2008.

# Options granted outside of the Company's 1992 Plan and 2006 Plan

Below is a summary of options granted outside of the Company's 1992 Plan and 2006 Plan. These outstanding options represent options which were granted to consultants of the Company prior to August 2003 and options granted to its executives, prior to fiscal 2004, in excess of the 1992 Plan's annual maximum grant of 500,000.

Stock Options	Number of Shares	Weighted- average Exercise price per Option	Weighted- average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at beginning of year	1,011,126	\$ 2.99		
Options granted	—	—		
Options canceled	—	—		
Options exercised	26,126	1.44		
Outstanding at end of year	985,000	\$ 3.03	1.5 years	\$375,563
Vested and expected to vest at end of year	985,000	\$ 3.03	1.5 years	\$375,563
Options exercisable at end of year	985,000	\$ 3.03	1.5 years	\$375,563

The total intrinsic value of options exercised outside of the Company's 1992 Plan and 2006 Plan was \$33,811 for fiscal 2009 and \$19,000 for fiscal 2007. There were no option exercises during fiscal 2008.

#### **Issuance of Warrants**

The following table summarizes the activity of the Company's outstanding warrants for fiscal 2009:

<u>Warrants</u> Warrants outstanding at beginning of year Warrants issued	Number of Shares 1,058,000	Weighted- average Exercise price per <u>Option</u> \$ 6.36	Weighted- average Remaining <u>Contractual Term</u>	Aggregate Intrinsic Value <sup>(1)</sup>
Warrants canceled				
Warrants exercised				
Warrants outstanding at end of year	1,058,000	\$ 6.36	0.8 years	\$ —
Vested and expected to vest at end of year	1,058,000	\$ 6.36	0.8 years	\$ —
Warrants exercisable at end of year	1,058,000	\$ 6.36	0.8 years	\$ —

(1) There was no aggregate intrinsic value at January 30, 2010 due to the fact that all outstanding warrants were underwater.

There were no exercises of warrants in fiscal 2009 or fiscal 2008.

The above warrants were issued in connection with two separate private placements of subordinated notes in fiscal 2002 and fiscal 2003. In total, the Company issued warrants to purchase 4,073,871 shares of common stock with a total fair value of \$15.2 million at the respective dates of grant. The fair value was reflected as a component of stockholders' equity as a discount on the debt and was initially amortized over the term of the corresponding debt until the Company prepaid both series of subordinated notes in fiscal 2003 and fiscal 2004, at which time the unamortized value of the warrants was written off.

# H. RELATED PARTIES

#### Seymour Holtzman and Jewelcor Management, Inc.

Seymour Holtzman, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company, is compensated by the Company both directly (as an employee of the Company) and indirectly (as the president and chief executive officer and, together with his wife, indirectly, the indirect majority shareholders of Jewelcor Management Inc. ("JMI")).

Since October 1999, the Company has had an ongoing consulting agreement with JMI to provide the Company with services as may be agreed upon between JMI and the Company. Mr. Holtzman, who has been the Company's Chairman of the Board since April 11, 2000, is the beneficial holder of approximately 11.6% of the outstanding common stock of the Company.

Pursuant to the consulting agreement, which was most recently amended in May 2009, Mr. Holtzman, both directly and indirectly through JMI, receives in aggregate annual consulting and employment compensation of \$575,000, payable in cash. The consulting agreement, as amended, is scheduled to expire on April 29, 2011.

### I. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Company accounts for its employee benefit plans in accordance with ASC Topic 715 *Compensation – Retirement Benefits*. ASC Topic 715 requires an employer to: (a) recognize in its statement of financial position an asset for a plan's over-funded status or a liability for a plan's under-funded status; (b) measure a plan's assets and its obligations that determine its funded status as of the end of the employer's fiscal year (with limited exceptions); and (c) recognize changes in the funded status of a defined benefit postretirement plan in the year in which the changes occur.

#### Noncontributory Pension Plan

In connection with the Casual Male acquisition, the Company assumed the assets and liabilities of the Casual Male Noncontributory Pension Plan "Casual Male Corp. Retirement Plan", which was previously known as the J. Baker, Inc. Qualified Plan (the "Pension Plan"). Casual Male Corp. froze all future benefits under this plan on May 1, 1997.

The following table sets forth the Pension Plan's funded status at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009:

	Januar	r <u>y 30, 2010</u> (in	thousands)	Janua	ary 31, 2009
Change in benefit obligation:					
Balance at beginning of period	\$	12,267		\$	13,674
Benefits and expenses paid		(561)			(435)
Service and interest costs		751			778
Settlements		(1,050)			(743)
Actuarial (gain) loss		356			(1,007)
Balance at end of year	\$	11,763		\$	12,267
Change in fair value of plan assets					
Balance at beginning of period	\$	9,039		\$	13,832
Actual return on plan assets		2,041			(3,615)
Employer contributions		—			
Settlements		(1,050)			(743)
Benefits and expenses paid		(561)			(435)
Balance at end of period	\$	9,469		\$	9,039
Reconciliation of Funded Status					
Projected benefit obligation	\$	11,763		\$	12,267
Fair value of plan assets		9,469			9,039
Unfunded Status		(2,294)			(3,228)
Balance Sheet Classification					
Other long-term liabilities	\$	2,294		\$	3,228

Total plan expense and other amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss for the year ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008 include the following components:

	January 30, 2010		January 31, 2009 (in thousands)		Febru	ıary 2, 2008
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	\$	751	\$	778	\$	789
Expected return on plan assets		(723)		(1,089)		(1,192)
Amortization of unrecognized loss		397		311		403
Net pension cost	\$	425	\$		\$	
Other changes recognized in other comprehensive loss, before taxes ( <i>in thousands</i> ):						
Unrecognized losses at the beginning of the year	\$	6,447	\$	3,061	\$	1,836
Net periodic pension cost		(425)				
Change in plan assets and benefit obligations, before taxes		(935)		3,386		1,225
Unrecognized losses at the end of year	\$	5,087	\$	6,447	\$	3,061

For fiscal 2010, the Company is expecting to make a contribution of \$0.5 million to the plan.

Assumptions used to determine the benefit obligations as of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 include a discount rate of 6.00% for fiscal 2009 and 6.25% for fiscal 2008. Assumptions used to determine the net periodic benefit cost for the years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008 included a discount rate of 6.00% for fiscal 2009, 6.25% for fiscal 2008 and 5.75% for fiscal 2007.



The expected long term rate of return for both the benefit obligation and the net periodic benefit cost was assumed to be 8.00% for fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2008. The expected long-term rate of return assumption was developed considering historical and future expectations for returns for each asset class.

#### Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The estimated future benefits for the next ten fiscal years are as follows:

FISCAL YEAR	(in thousands)
2010	520
2011	561
2012	619
2013	671
2014	725
2015-2019	4,269

#### Plan Assets

The fair values of the Company's noncontributory defined benefit retirement plan assets at the end of fiscal 2009 consists of Level 1 assets totaling \$7.1 million and Level 2 assets of \$2.4 million. The following is a description of fair value measurements:

Level 1 – Quoted, active market prices for identical assets. Share prices of the funds, referred to as a fund's Net Asset Value ("NAV"), are calculated daily based on the closing market prices and accruals of securities in the fund's total portfolio (total value of the fund) divided by the number of fund shares currently issued and outstanding. Redemptions of the mutual funds occur by contract at the respective fund's redemption date NAV.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, based on model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable in active markets. The NAVs of the funds are calculated monthly based on the closing market prices and accruals of securities in the fund's total portfolio (total value of the fund) divided by the number of fund shares currently issued and outstanding. Redemptions of the mutual funds occur by contract at the respective fund's redemption date NAV.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs based on the Company's own assumptions.

The Company's target asset allocation for fiscal 2010 and its asset allocation at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 were as follows, by asset category:

	Target allocation	Percentage of pla	an assets at
Asset category:	Fiscal 2010	January 30, 2010	January 31, 2009
Equity securities	70.00%	51.95%	43.98%
Debt securities	20.00%	30.70%	18.32%
Insurance contracts	10.00%	16.91%	17.92%
Cash		0.44%	19.78%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

The target policy is set to maximize returns with consideration to the long-term nature of the obligations and maintaining a lower level of overall volatility through the allocation of fixed income. The asset allocation is reviewed throughout the year for adherence to the target policy and is rebalanced periodically towards the target weights.

# Supplemental Retirement Plan

In connection with the Casual Male acquisition, the Company also assumed the liability of the Casual Male Supplemental Retirement Plan (the "Supplemental Plan").

The following table sets forth the Supplemental Plan's funded status at January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009:

	January 30, 2	2010 (in thousands)	Januar	y 31, 2009
Change in benefit obligation:		(in thousands)		
Balance at beginning of period	\$	519	\$	551
Benefits and expenses paid		(30)		(27)
Actuarial loss (gain)		12		(36)
Service and interest costs		31		31
Balance at end of year	\$	532	\$	519
Change in fair value of plan assets				
Balance at beginning of period	\$		\$	_
Employer contributions		30		27
Benefits and expenses paid		(30)		(27)
Balance at end of year	-			
Projected benefit obligation	\$	532	\$	519
Reconciliation of Funded Status				
Projected benefit obligation	\$	532	\$	519
Unrecognized loss				_
Fair value of plan assets				
Underfunded Status	\$ ()	532)	\$	(519)

Assumptions used to determine the benefit obligations as of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009 included a discount rate of 6.00% for fiscal 2009 and 6.25% for fiscal 2008. Assumptions used to determine the net periodic benefit cost for the years ended January 30, 2010, January 31, 2009 and February 2, 2008 included a discount rate of 6.00% for fiscal 2009, 6.25% for fiscal 2008 and 5.75% for fiscal 2007.

### **Defined** Contribution Plan

The Company has two defined contribution plans, the Casual Male 401(k) Salaried Plan and the Casual Male 401(k) Hourly plan (the "401(k) Plans"). The 401(k) Plans cover all eligible employees who are at least 21 years of age and have completed the required months of service, which is six months or twelve months depending on the plan. Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted the Safe Harbor matching and vesting provisions permitted under the Pension Protection Act of 2006 for its 401(k) Plans. Accordingly, beginning in fiscal 2008, the Company matched 100% of the first 1% of deferred compensation and 50% of the next 5% (with a maximum contribution of 3.5% of eligible compensation).

In May 2009, in connection with our cost reduction initiatives, the Board of Directors voted to cease any further employer contributions to the 401(k) Plan, effective May 31, 2009. As a result of that vote, the Company will no longer be within the safe harbor; accordingly, should highly-compensated individuals elect to defer the maximum amount allowable under the 401(k) Plan, they will be subject to a return of excess deferred compensation upon completion of year-end discrimination testing.

The Company recognized \$0.4 million, \$1.3 million and \$0.9 million of expense under these plans in fiscal 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

# J. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

During the first quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company sold its Jared M. business to a third party for a cash purchase price of \$250,000. The Company did not recognize any material gain or loss on the sale. When the Company recorded its initial charges in fiscal 2007, its Jared M. showroom was being sub-leased and the Company believed no excess lease obligation existed. However, during fiscal 2008, the Company was not able to secure a long-term sub-lease agreement to completely satisfy its obligations under the lease agreement. Accordingly, during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company recorded an additional charge of \$0.9 million for the estimated lease obligation. No tax benefit was realized on the \$0.9 million charge in fiscal 2008 due to the consolidated tax position of the Company, see Note D—Income Taxes.

# K. SALE OF LP INNOVATIONS, INC.

In fiscal 2006, the Company sold its loss prevention subsidiary, LP Innovations, Inc. ("LPI"), to a private equity group for a purchase price of \$5.2 million. The Company received \$3.0 million of the purchase price in cash at the closing and entered into a note for the remaining purchase price of \$2.2 million. The note requires LPI to make quarterly payments to the Company commencing on the first anniversary of the note. The Company recognized an initial gain on the sale of LPI in the amount of \$1.5 million which was recognized as "other income" for fiscal 2006. Due to the uncertainty regarding the collection of the note, the Company has partially reserved the balance of the note on the Consolidated Balance Sheets and recognizes income on the note when realizability is assured. For each of the fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007, the Company recognized \$0.6 million, \$0.5 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, as "other income."

#### L. SELECTED QUARTERLY DATA (UNAUDITED)

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FISCAL YEAR 2009				· ·				,		
Sales	\$ 9	97,561	\$	98,252	\$	88,689	<b>\$</b> 1	10,666	\$ 3	395,168
Gross margin	4	41,558		43,825		37,863		51,311	1	174,557
Operating income (loss)		610		4,332		(1,309)		4,378		8,011
Income (loss) from continuing operations		373		4,130		(1,471)		4,548		7,580
Income tax provision (benefit)		37		504		(61)		990		1,470
Net income (loss)		336		3,626		(1,410)		3,558		6,110
Earnings (loss) per share—basic	\$	0.01	\$	0.09	\$	(0.03)	\$	0.08	\$	0.14
Earnings (loss) per share—diluted	\$	0.01	\$	0.09	\$	(0.03)	\$	0.08	\$	0.14
FISCAL YEAR 2008										
Sales	\$1	07,642	\$1	13,475	\$	100,009	\$ 1	23,058	\$ 4	444,184
Gross margin	4	48,339		51,338		42,213		47,702	1	189,592
Provision for impairment of assets,										
including goodwill(1)								71,407		71,407
Operating income (loss)		851		3,746		(4,673)		(76,911)		(76,987)
Income (loss) from continuing operations		160		3,145		(5,337)	(	(77,384)		(79,416)
Income tax provision (benefit)(2)		64		1,258		(2,135)		29,759		28,946
Loss from discontinuing operations(3)		—		_		_		(895)		(895)
Net income (loss)		96		1,887		(3,202)	(1	08,038)	(1	109,257)
Earnings (loss) per share—basic	\$	0.00	\$	0.05	\$	(0.08)	\$	(2.61)	\$	(2.64)
Earnings (loss) per share—diluted	\$	0.00	\$	0.05	\$	(0.08)	\$	(2.61)	\$	(2.64)

(1) During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company recorded a full non-cash impairment charge against its goodwill for \$63.1 million and a partial impairment against its Rochester trademark for \$2.5 million. In

addition, the Company also recorded a non-cash charge of \$5.8 million for the impairment of fixed assets. See Note A—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

- (2) During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company recorded a non-cash charge of \$28.6 million to establish a valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets. As a result of its recent operating losses and the overall condition of the economy, the realizability of its deferred tax assets could not be assured at that time. See Note D—Income Taxes.
- (3) In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, the Company recorded an additional \$0.9 million to accrue for an estimated lease obligation for the Jared M. showroom. See Note J—Discontinued Operations.

Historically, and consistent with the retail industry, the Company has experienced seasonal fluctuations as it relates to its operating income and net income. Traditionally, a significant portion of the Company's operating income and net income is generated in the fourth quarter, as a result of the "Holiday" season.

# Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

### Management's Conclusions Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As required by Rule 13a-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of January 30, 2010. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of January 30, 2010, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

#### Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act. Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Our internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

(i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets;

(ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and directors; and

(iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any internal control, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effective internal controls can provide only reasonable assurances with respect to financial statement preparation. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management assessed the design and effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of January 30, 2010. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in Internal Control- Integrated Framework.

Based on management's assessment and those criteria, management determined that we maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of January 30, 2010.

Ernst & Young LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, has issued an audit report on our internal control over financial reporting as of January 30, 2010, which appears below.

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.

We have audited Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of January 30, 2010, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of January 30, 2010, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. as of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended January 30, 2010 of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. and our report dated March 19, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Boston, Massachusetts March 19, 2010

# Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

No change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) occurred during the fiscal quarter ended January 30, 2010 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

# Item 9B. Other Information.

None.

# PART III.

Pursuant to Paragraph G(3) of the General Instructions to Form 10-K, the information required by Part III (Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14) is being incorporated by reference herein from our definitive proxy statement (or an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K) to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010 in connection with our 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Information with respect to this item is incorporated by reference from our definitive proxy statement (or amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K) to be filed with the SEC within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

#### Item 11. Executive Compensation

Information with respect to this item is incorporated by reference from our definitive proxy statement (or amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K) to be filed with the SEC within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

#### Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

Information with respect to this item is incorporated by reference from our definitive proxy statement (or amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K) to be filed with the SEC within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

#### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

Information with respect to this item is incorporated by reference from our definitive proxy statement (or amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K) to be filed with the SEC within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

#### Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

Information with respect to this item is incorporated by reference from our definitive proxy statement (or amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K) to be filed with the SEC within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

# PART IV.

#### Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

### 15(a)(1) Financial Statements

The list of consolidated financial statements and notes required by this Item 15(a)(1) is set forth in the "Index to Consolidated Financial Statements" on page 44 of this Annual Report.

# 15(a)(2) Financial Statement Schedules

All schedules have been omitted because the required information is not applicable or is not present in amounts sufficient to require submission of the schedules, or because the information required is included in the financial statements or notes thereto.

# 15(a)(3) Exhibits

The list of exhibits required by this Item 15(a)(3) is set forth in the "Index to Exhibits" beginning on page 74 of this Annual Report.

Exhibits

#### **Index to Exhibits**

- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended (included as Exhibit 3.1 to Amendment No. 3 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 33-13402), and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.2 Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, dated June 22, 1993 (included as Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on June 18, 1996, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.3 Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, dated August 8, 2002 (included as Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on September 17, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.4 Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, dated August 27, 2009 (included as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 28, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.5 Certificate of Amendment to Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, dated August 27, 2009 (included as Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 28, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.6 Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of a Series of Preferred Stock of the Company establishing Series A Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock dated May 1, 1995 (included as Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on May 3, 1996, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.7 Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Relative, Participating, Optional and Other Special Rights and Qualifications, Limitations and Restrictions of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock dated May 14, 2002 (included as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.8 Form of Certificate of Designation, Preferences and Rights of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, as filed with the Secretary of the State of Delaware on December 9, 2008 (included as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 9, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 3.7 By-Laws of the Company, as amended (included as Exhibit 3.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 12, 2000, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 4.1 Indenture, dated as of November 18, 2003, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (included as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 9, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 4.2 Rights Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2008, by and between the Company and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Rights Agent, which includes as Exhibits thereto the Form of Certificate of Designation, the Form of Right Certificate and the Summary of Terms attached thereto as Exhibits A, B and C, respectively (included as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 9, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 4.3 Amendment, dated as June 29, 2009, to the Rights Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2008, between the Company and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Rights Agent (included as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 29, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 4.4 Amendment No.2, dated as December 7, 2009, to the Rights Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2008, between the Company and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as Rights Agent (included as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 8, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). \*

Exhibits 10.1	1992 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 9, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.2	Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended (included as Appendix C to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement filed with the SEC on July 30, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.3	Form of Non-Qualified Option Agreement for the Chairman and Executive Officers (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 18, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.4	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement for the Chairman and Executive Officers (included as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 18, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.5	Form of Non-Qualified Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors (included as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 18, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.6	Form of Option Repurchase Agreement dated January 29, 2009 (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.7	Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan dated November 20, 2008 (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 21, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.8	Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. Fiscal 2010 Non-Employee Director Stock Purchase Plan (included as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 333-164618), and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.9	Fifth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement dated December 28, 2006, by and among Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, the Lenders identified therein, the Company, as Borrowers' Representative, and the Company and CMRG Apparel, LLC. (formerly Designs Apparel, Inc.), as Borrowers (included as Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on April 2, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.10	First Amendment to Fifth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement dated July 11, 2007 by and among the Company and Bank of America, N.A. (included as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.11	Second Amendment to Fifth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement dated July 20, 2007 by and among the Company and Bank of America, N.A. (included as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.12	Third Amendment to Fifth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement dated December 20, 2007 by and among the Company and Bank of America, N.A. (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 24, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *	
10.13	Master Loan and Security Agreement dated July 20, 2007 between the Company and Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *	

10.14 Equipment Security Note Number 17608-70001 to the Master Loan and Security Agreement dated July 20, 2007 between the Company and Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 23, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). \*

Exhibits 10.15	Equipment Security Note Number 17608-70002 to the Master Loan and Security Agreement dated January 16, 2008 between the Company and Banc of America Leasing & Capital, LLC (included as Exhibit 10.13 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 26, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.16	Form of Warrant issued to the Initial Purchasers under the Note Agreement (included as Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on September 16, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.17	Consulting Agreement, dated April 29, 2000 between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 31, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.18	Extension to Consulting Agreement, dated as of April 28, 2001, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.15 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on September 18, 2001, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.19	Extension to Consulting Agreement, dated as of April 28, 2002, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.30 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on June 18, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.20	Extension to Consulting Agreement, dated as of April 29, 2003, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on May 5, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.21	Amendment to Consulting Agreement, effective as of May 1, 2003, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on September 16, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.22	Amendment to Consulting Agreement, dated as of August 26, 2004, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 9, 2004, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.23	Amendment to Consulting Agreement, effective May 9, 2005, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 20, 2005, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.24	Letter Agreement dated May 26, 2006 between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 30, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *
10.25	Amendment to Consulting Agreement dated as of May 30, 2007, effective April 29, 2007, between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 31, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference). *

- 10.26 Amendment to Consulting Agreement dated September 8, 2008 between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 21, 2008, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
- 10.27 Extension to Consulting Agreement, effective as of May 17, 2009 between the Company and Jewelcor Management, Inc. (included as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 20, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
- 10.28 Revised and Restated Employment Agreement dated as of November 5, 2009 between the Company and David A. Levin (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 19, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). \*

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  - 10.30 Employment Agreement between the Company and Henry J. Metscher dated as of January 7, 2010 (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2010, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.31 Employment Agreement between the Company and Robert S. Molloy dated as of January 7, 2010 (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 11, 2010, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.32 Employment Agreement between the Company and Richard Della Bernarda dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.33 Employment Agreement between the Company and Mark Bean dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.34 Employment Agreement between the Company and Francis C. Chane dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.35 Employment Agreement between the Company and Kenneth Ederle dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.36 Employment Agreement between the Company and Douglas Hearn dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.37 Employment Agreement between the Company and Jack R. McKinney dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.38 Employment Agreement between the Company and Peter E. Schmitz dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.39 Employment Agreement between the Company and Vickie Smith dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.40 Employment Agreement between the Company and Walter E. Sprague dated as of January 8, 2010.
  - 10.41 Employment Agreement between the Company and Peter H. Stratton, Jr. dated as of January 7, 2010.
  - 10.42 2008 Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 7, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.43 Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. Amended and Restated Annual Incentive Plan (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed August 4, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.44 Asset Purchase Agreement entered into as of May 2, 2002, by and among the Company and Casual Male Corp. and certain subsidiaries (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.45 Amended and Restated Note Agreement, dated as of April 26, 2002, and amended and restated as of May 14, 2002, among the Company, certain subsidiaries of the Company and the purchasers identified therein (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.46 Form of Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock (aggregating 787,500 shares) (included as Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.47 Form of Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock (aggregating 927,500 shares) (included as Exhibit 10.6 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*
  - 10.48 Form of Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock (aggregating 1,176,471 shares) (included as Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). \*

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Exhibits 10.49	Registration Rights Agreement entered into as of April 26, 2002, by and between the Company and the persons identified therein (included as Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.50	Purchase Agreement dated November 12, 2003 by and between the Company and Thomas Weisel Partners LLC (included as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 9, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.51	Registration Rights Agreement dated November 18, 2003 by and between the Company and Thomas Weisel Partners LLC (included as Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 9, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.52	Form of Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock (aggregating 500,000 shares) (included as Exhibit 10.31 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on September 17, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.53	Form of Subscription Agreement dated September 1, 2009 (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 2, 2009, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.54	Asset Purchase Agreement by and among the Company and Rochester Big & Tall Clothing, Inc., dated as of August 18, 2004 (included as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on December 9, 2004, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.55	Contribution Agreement dated January 30, 2006 by and among the Company, Spirit SPE Canton, LLC and Spirit Finance Acquisitions, LLC (included as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.56	Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated January 30, 2006 by and between the Company and Spirit Finance Acquisitions, LLC (included as Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.57	Lease Agreement dated February 1, 2006 by and between the Company and Spirit SPE Canton, LLC (included as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
10.58	Buying Agency Agreement effective November 16, 2005 by and between Designs Apparel, Inc. and Li & Fung (included as Exhibit 10.47 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 31, 2006, and incorporated herein by reference). *		
21.1	Subsidiaries of the Registrant.		
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.		
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of the Company pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.		
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of the Company pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.		
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.		
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.		

\* Previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

March 19, 2010

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

/s/ DAVID A. LEVIN

David A. Levin President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Company in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By:

Signatures	Title	Date
/s/ DAVID A. LEVIN David A. Levin	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 19, 2010
/s/ DENNIS R. HERNREICH Dennis R. Hernreich	Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer)	March 19, 2010
/s/ PETER H. STRATTON, JR. Peter H. Stratton, Jr.	Senior Vice President of Finance and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 19, 2010
/s/ SEYMOUR HOLTZMAN Seymour Holtzman	Chairman of the Board of Directors	March 19, 2010
/s/ ALAN S. BERNIKOW Alan S. Bernikow	Director	March 19, 2010
/s/ JESSE H. CHOPER Jesse H. Choper	Director	March 19, 2010
/s/ WARD K. MOONEY Ward K. Mooney	Director	March 19, 2010
/s/ GEORGE T. PORTER, JR. George T. Porter, Jr.	Director	March 19, 2010
/s/ MITCHELL S. PRESSER Mitchell S. Presser	Director	March 19, 2010
/s/ ROBERT L. SOCKOLOV Robert L. Sockolov	Director	March 19, 2010

#### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 7, 2010 between CMRG APPAREL, LLC, (the "Company") a "Related Entity", as defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan, of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 ("CMRG" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Richard S. Della Bernarda (the "Executive") having an address at 44 Chandler Street, Apt. #4, Boston, MA 02116.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

# 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer.

# 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

### 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$253,000.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will

participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

#### (iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on

the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation: (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities: (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

#### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

#### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

#### 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive

against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

### 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him

during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

# 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

#### 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

### 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

### 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

# 17. <u>NOTICES</u>

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

### 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

### 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

# 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

### 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

### 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

#### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

#### 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

#### 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

# CMRG APPAREL, LLC

By: /s/ David A. Levin Name: David A. Levin Its: President, Chief Executive Officer Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

By: /s/ Dennis R. Hernreich Name: Dennis R. Hernreich Its: Executive VP, COO, CFO

/s/ Richard S. Della Bernarda

Richard S. Della Bernarda

Date: January 7, 2010

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

#### **GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS**

1. Richard S. Della Bernarda ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge CMRG Apparel, LLC (the "Company"), its parents, subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its parents, subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its parents, subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc., and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Richard S. Della Bernarda

#### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 7, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Mark Bean (the "Executive") having an address at 1 Bridle Path, Plainville, MA 02762.

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President, Store Sales and Operations and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President, Store Sales and Operations.

### 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars and 96/100 Cents (\$280,499.96) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the term of Executive's employment hereunder, provide Executive with either (i) an automobile for his use in performing his employment duties and obligations hereunder or (ii) an automobile allowance in accordance with he Company's automobile policy. If the Company provides an automobile, the Company shall pay for the cost of insurance, repairs and maintenance. If the Company provides an automobile for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. In either case, Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

(c) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. DUTIES

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President, Store Sales and Operations and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

#### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

### (i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

#### (iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on

the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation: (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities: (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

#### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

#### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

#### 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of

this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

# 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

# 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to

any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

# 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

#### 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

## 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

# 17. <u>NOTICES</u>

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

## 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

## 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

## 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

# 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

### 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

## 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote

generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

### 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

## 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Dennis R. Hernreich

Name:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 7, 2010

/s/ Mark Bean Mark Bean

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

### GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Mark Bean ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Mark Bean

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 8, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Francis C. Chane (the "Executive") having an address at 45 Saddleworth Way, Middleboro, MA 02346.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Vice President Distribution and Logistics and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Vice President Distribution and Logistics.

## 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$180,000.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$7,200.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

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(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

## 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Vice President Distribution and Logistics and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

(iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

## 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

## 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the

foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

### 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

## 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

### 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

## 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

## 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

# 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

## 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

# 20. <u>SURVIVAL</u>

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

## 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

#### 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

# 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

## 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By:/s/ Dennis R. HernreichName:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

/s/ Francis C. Chane

Francis C. Chane

Date: January 8, 2010

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# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

## GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Francis C. Chane ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Francis C. Chane

#### **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 8, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Kenneth M. Ederle (the "Executive") having an address at 13 Stanhope Street #3A Boston, MA 02116.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Vice President, General Merchandise Manager - - Rochester and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Vice President, General Merchandise Manager - Rochester.

# 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

### 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$225,000.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

## 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$7,200.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

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(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

## 6. DUTIES

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Vice President, General Merchandise Manager - Rochester and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

#### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

(iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

## 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive

against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

## 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him

during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

# 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

#### 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

### 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

### 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

## 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

## 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

#### 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

#### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

## 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

#### 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.



## 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

## 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

 By:
 /s/ David A. Levin

 Name:
 David A. Levin

 Its:
 President, Chief Executive Officer

 By:
 /s/ Dennis R. Hemreich

By:/s/ Dennis R. HernreichName:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

/s/ Kenneth M. Ederle

Kenneth M. Ederle

Date: January 8, 2010

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# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

## GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Kenneth M. Ederle ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Kenneth M. Ederle

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 8, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Douglas L. Hearn (the "Executive") having an address at 140 Gilbert Street, Mansfield, MA 02048.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President, General Merchandise Manager-Casual Male XL and Global Sourcing and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President, General Merchandise Manager-Casual Male XL and Global Sourcing.

## 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$262,500.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will

participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President, General Merchandise Manager-Casual Male XL and Global Sourcing and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

## 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

### (iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on

the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

## 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive

against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

## 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him

during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

# 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

# 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

## 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

# 17. <u>NOTICES</u>

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

## 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

## 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

## 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

## 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

# 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

## 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By:/s/ Dennis R. HernreichName:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

/s/ Douglas L. Hearn Douglas L. Hearn

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

## GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Douglas L. Hearn ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Douglas L. Hearn

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 8, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Jack R. McKinney (the "Executive") having an address at 304 Liberty Street, Braintree, MA 02184.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President, Chief Information Officer and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President, Chief Information Officer.

## 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$255,528.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

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(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President, Chief Information Officer and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

(iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separations from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

## 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive

against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

## 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him

during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

# 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

## 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

## 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

## 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

## 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

## 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

## 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

# 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

# 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

## 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By:/s/ Dennis R. HernreichName:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

/s/ Jack R. McKinney

Jack R. McKinney

Date: January 8, 2010

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

## GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Jack R. McKinney ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Jack R. McKinney

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 7, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Peter E. Schmitz (the "Executive") having an address at 170 Congdon Street, Providence, RI 02906.

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President of Real Estate and Store Development and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President of Real Estate and Store Development.

### 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand One Hundred Twelve Dollars and 42/100 Cents (\$225,112.42) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

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(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. DUTIES

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President of Real Estate and Store Development and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

(iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

#### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

### 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of

this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

# 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

# 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to

any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

# 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

### 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

# 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

## 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

# 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

### 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

# 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

### 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

# 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote

generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

### 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

# 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Dennis R. Hernreich

Name:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 7, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

/s/ Peter E. Schmitz

Peter E. Schmitz

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

### GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Peter E. Schmitz ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Peter E. Schmitz

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 7, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Vickie Smith (the "Executive") having an address at 550 Liberty Street, 804, Braintree, MA 02184.

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President, Planning and Allocation and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President, Planning and Allocation.

## 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$260,000.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with her employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for her gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

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(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President, Planning and Allocation and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of her duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of her time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill her duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to her with fidelity and to the best of her ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of her duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform her duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of her duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

### 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of her duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

(iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform her duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or her failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of her duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of her termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive her then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of her employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of her death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date she begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, she shall be entitled only to receive such portion of her annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of her resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

# 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

### 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that she is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of her duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that she has never been convicted of a felony and she has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that she has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining her from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that she has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of her employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of her employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all her rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

# 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to her or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of her duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by her during the course of, or as an incident to, her employment or the rendering of her advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of

their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

#### 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if she breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of her right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

#### 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

### 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

### 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

### 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

## 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in her duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

#### 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

#### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

## 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

#### 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

#### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

# 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

### 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By:/s/ Dennis R. HernreichName:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

/s/ Vickie Smith

Vickie Smith

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 7, 2010

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

### **GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS**

1. Vickie Smith ("Executive"), for herself and her family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of her termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged her to consult with an attorney of her choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages her to consult with her attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that she understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that she may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims she is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that she has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of her employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that she will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished her right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived her rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed her that she has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and she may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that she shall have seven (7) days following the date on which she signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of her revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that she has read this General Release of Claims, that she has been advised that she should consult with an attorney before she executes this general release of claims, and that she understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Vickie Smith

#### **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 7, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Walter E. Sprague (the "Executive") having an address at 2 Olde Tower Lane, North Attleborough, MA 02760.

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President, Human Resources and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President, Human Resources.

## 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$242,000.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if

all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

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(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President, Human Resources and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

(iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control. For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation; (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities; (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

# 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

## 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates or otherwise compromise the Company's good will or solicit, hire, interfere with or entice from the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive

against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

# 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him

during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

### 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

# 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

## 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

## 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

### 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

#### 20. SURVIVAL

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

#### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

# 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

# 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

#### For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

# 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

## 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Dennis R. Hernreich Name: Dennis R. Hernreich

Its: Executive VP, COO, CFO

/s/ Walter E. Sprague Walter E. Sprague Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 8, 2010

Date: January 7, 2010

# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

## GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Walter E. Sprague ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Walter E. Sprague

### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of January 7, 2010 between CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation with an office at 555 Turnpike Street, Canton, Massachusetts, 02021 (the "Company" which term includes any affiliates and subsidiaries), and Peter H. Stratton, Jr. (the "Executive") having an address at 59 Marshall Avenue, Mansfield, MA 02048.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires that Executive serve as Senior Vice President Finance, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer and Executive desires to be so employed by the Company.

WHEREAS, Executive and the Company desire to set forth in writing the terms and conditions of the Executive's employment with the Company from the date hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual promises, representations and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. EMPLOYMENT

The Company hereby employs Executive and Executive hereby accepts such employment, subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth. Executive shall hold the office of Senior Vice President Finance, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer.

## 2. <u>TERM</u>

The term of employment under this Agreement (the "Term of Employment") shall begin on the date set forth above (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until terminated by either party as hereinafter set forth.

# 3. COMPENSATION

(a) During the Term of Employment, as compensation for the employment services to be rendered by Executive hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to Executive, and Executive agrees to accept, payable in equal bi-weekly installments in accordance with Company practice, an annual base salary of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$200,000.00) (the "Base Salary"). The Base Salary shall be reviewed at least annually to ascertain whether, in the judgment of the Company, such Base Salary should be adjusted. If so, the adjusted Base Salary shall be adjusted for all purposes of this Agreement.

(b) In addition to the Base Salary, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Annual Incentive Plan. Such incentive shall be determined and payable in accordance with the Company's incentive program in effect at the time, subject to change from year to year in the Company's sole discretion. Executive will

participate in the Company's incentive program and Executive's target bonus under such plan (if all individual and Company performance conditions are met) shall be 35% of Executive's actual annual base earnings (which shall be the total Base Salary as may be paid during the fiscal year ("Base Earnings")). The actual award under the incentive program, if any, may be more or less than the target and will be based on Executive's performance and the performance of the Company and payment will be made in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the incentive program then in effect.

(c) In addition, during the Term of Employment, Executive is eligible to participate in the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Such incentive shall be determined and distributable in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions as described in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award, subject to change from year to year in the Compensation Committee's sole discretion. Executive will participate in the Company's LTIP at a target incentive rate of 70%, of Executive's combined actual annual Base Earnings, for the incentive period, based upon the Company's targeted performance as defined in the LTIP documents in effect at the time of the award.

# 4. EXPENSES

The Company shall pay or reimburse Executive, in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures and upon presentment of suitable vouchers, for all reasonable business and travel expenses, which may be incurred or paid by Executive during the Term of Employment in connection with his employment hereunder. Executive shall comply with such restrictions and shall keep such records as the Company may reasonably deem necessary to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and regulations promulgated thereunder.

# 5. OTHER BENEFITS

(a) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall be entitled to such vacations and to participate in and receive any other benefits customarily provided by the Company to its management (including any profit sharing, pension, 401(k), short and long-term disability insurance, medical and dental insurance and group life insurance plans in accordance with and subject to the terms of such plans, including, without limitation, any eligibility requirements contained therein), all as determined from time to time by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in its discretion.

(b) The Company will, during the Term of Employment, provide Executive with an automobile allowance in the total amount of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$8,400.00) annually, in equal bi-weekly payments in accordance with the Company's normal payroll practices. Executive shall pay and be responsible for all insurance, repairs and maintenance costs associated with operating the automobile. Executive is responsible for his gasoline, unless the gasoline expense is reimbursable under the Company's policies and procedures.

(b) Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's annual performance appraisal process.

# 6. <u>DUTIES</u>

(a) Executive shall perform such duties and functions consistent with the position of Senior Vice President Finance, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer and/or as the Company shall from time to time determine and Executive shall comply in the performance of his duties with the policies of, and be subject to the direction of the Company.

(b) During the Term of Employment, Executive shall devote substantially all of his time and attention, vacation time and absences for sickness excepted, to the business of the Company, as necessary to fulfill his duties. Executive shall perform the duties assigned to him with fidelity and to the best of his ability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and subject to the foregoing, Executive shall not be prevented from accepting positions in outside organizations so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's performance of his duties hereunder and do not violate paragraph 10 hereof.

(c) The principal location at which the Executive shall perform his duties hereunder shall be at the Company's offices in Canton, Massachusetts or at such other location as may be temporarily designated from time to time by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall perform such services at such other locations as may be required for the proper performance of his duties hereunder, and Executive recognizes that such duties may involve travel.

# 7. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; EFFECT OF TERMINATION

(a) The Term of Employment may be terminated by the Company at any time:

(i) upon the determination by the Company that Executive's performance of his duties has not been fully satisfactory for any reason which would not constitute justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) or for other business reasons necessitating termination which do not constitute justifiable cause, in either case upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Executive; or

(ii) upon the determination of the Company that there is justifiable cause (as hereinafter defined) for such termination.

(b) The Term of Employment shall terminate upon:

(i) the death of Executive;

(ii) the date on which the Company elects to terminate the Term of Employment by reason of the "disability" of Executive (as hereinafter defined in subsection (c) herein) pursuant to subsection (g) hereof; or

### (iii) Executive's resignation of employment.

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "disability" shall mean Executive is physically or mentally incapacitated so as to render Executive incapable of performing the essentials of Executive's job, even with reasonable accommodation, as reasonably determined by the Company, which determination shall be final and binding.

(d) For the purposes hereof, the term "justifiable cause" shall mean: any failure or refusal to perform any of the duties pursuant to this Agreement or any breach of this Agreement by the Executive; Executive's breach of any material written policies, rules or regulations which have been adopted by the Company; Executive's repeated failure to perform his duties in a satisfactory manner; Executive's performance of any act or his failure to act, as to which if Executive were prosecuted and convicted, a crime or offense involving money or property of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, or a crime or offense constituting a felony in the jurisdiction involved, would have occurred; any unauthorized disclosure by Executive to any person, firm or corporation of any confidential information or trade secret of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates; any attempt by Executive to secure any personal profit in connection with the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates; or the engaging by Executive in any business other than the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates which interferes with the performance of his duties hereunder. Upon termination of Executive's employment for justifiable cause, Executive shall not be entitled to any amounts or benefits hereunder other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof as have been accrued through the date of his termination of employment.

(e) If the Company terminates this Agreement without "justifiable cause" as provided in subsection 7(a)(i), the Company shall pay Executive his then current base salary for five months after the effectiveness of such termination, payable in equal payments in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices commencing with the first payroll period that begins at least 30 days after the termination of the Executive's Term of Employment conditioned upon the Executive having provided the Company with an executed general release in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "General Release") and the time for Executive's revocation of the General Release having expired. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices until paid in full. Any payment pursuant to this paragraph 7(e) is contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment (and the Executive's not revoking that General Release) and will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under any other severance plan of the Company.

(f) If Executive shall die during the term of his employment hereunder, this Agreement shall terminate immediately. In such event, the estate of Executive shall thereupon be entitled to receive such portion of Executive's base annual salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his death.

(g) Upon Executive's "disability", the Company shall have the right to terminate Executive's employment. Any termination pursuant to this subsection (g) shall be effective on

the earlier of (i) the date 30 days after which Executive shall have received written notice of the Company's election to terminate or (ii) the date he begins to receive long-term disability insurance benefits under the policy provided by the Company pursuant to paragraph 5 hereof.

(h) Upon the resignation of Executive in any capacity, that resignation will be deemed to be a resignation from all offices and positions that Executive holds with respect to the Company and any of its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event of Executive's resignation, he shall be entitled only to receive such portion of his annual Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 as have been accrued through the date of his resignation.

(i) Change of Control. In the event the Term of Employment is terminated by the Company without justifiable cause (as defined herein) or Executive resigns with Good Reason (as defined herein) within one (1) year following a Change of Control of the Company has occurred, then, in such event, the Company shall pay Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of Executive's highest Base Salary in effect at any time during the six (6) month period ending on the date of the Change of Control.For the purposes of the foregoing, Change of Control shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan (without regard to any subsequent amendments thereto). For purposes of the foregoing, "Good Reason" means the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the Executive's base compensation: (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's authority, duties, or responsibilities: (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Employee must perform the services under this Agreement; or (iv) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement. For purposes of this provision, Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless the Employee's termination of employment for Good Reason occurs within 2 years following the initial existence of one of the conditions specified in clauses (i) through (iv) above, the Employee provides the Company with written notice of the existence of such condition within 90 days after the initial existence of the condition, and the Company fails to remedy the condition within 30 days after its receipt of such notice. The Company shall pay the amount required under this paragraph 7(i) in a single payment thirty (30) days after termination of the Term of Employment, subject to and conditioned upon the Executive's execution of the General Release required pursuant to paragraph 7(k) hereof and such release becoming irrevocable. Any payments made pursuant to this paragraph 7(j) will be in lieu of payments to which Executive might have been entitled under paragraph 7(e) of this Agreement or under any other severance plan of the Company. The payments under this Agreement shall be reduced if and to the extent necessary to avoid any payments or benefits to Executive being treated as "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 280G(b)(i).

(j) Clawback of Certain Compensation and Benefits. If, after the termination of the Term of Employment for any reason other than by the Company for "justifiable cause":

(i) it is determined in good faith by the Company within twelve (12) months after the termination of the Term of Employment (the "Termination Date") that the Executive's employment could have been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause under paragraph 7(d) hereof (unless the Company knew or should have known that as of the Termination Date, the Executive's employment could have been terminated for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) hereof); or

(ii) the Executive breaches any of the provisions of paragraph 10, then, in addition to any other remedy that may be available to the Company in law or equity and/or pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement, the Executive's employment shall be deemed to have been terminated for justifiable cause retroactively to the Termination Date and the Executive also shall be subject to the following provisions:

(A) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, all amounts paid to Executive by the Company, whether or not pursuant to this Agreement (other than such portion of Executive's Base Salary and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof as have been accrued through the date of the termination of the Term of Employment), on or after the Termination Date (including the pre-tax cost to the Company of any benefits that are in excess of the total amount that the Company would have been required to pay to the Executive if the Executive's employment with the Company had been terminated by the Company for justifiable cause in accordance with paragraph 7(d) above);

(B) all vested and unvested Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) then held by the Executive shall immediately expire; and

(C) the Executive shall be required to pay to the Company, immediately upon written demand by the Company, an amount equal to any Gains resulting from the exercise or payment of any Awards (as that term is defined in the 2006 Incentive Compensation Plan) at any time on or after, or during the one year period prior to, the Termination Date. For these purposes, the term "Gain" shall mean (i) in the case of each stock option or stock appreciation right ("SAR"), the difference between the fair market value per share of the Company's common stock underlying such option or SAR as of the date on which the Executive exercised the option or SAR, less the exercise price or grant price of the option or SAR; and (ii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR that is satisfied by the issuance of Common Stock of the Company, the value of such stock on the Termination Date, and (iii) in the case of any Award other than a stock option or SAR, that is satisfied in cash or any property other than Common Stock of the Company, the amount of cash and the value of the property on the payment date paid to satisfy the Award.

(k) Any payment pursuant to paragraph 7(e) or 7(j) shall be contingent upon Executive's execution of the General Release within 21 days after termination of the Term of Employment, and the Executive's not revoking that release.

# 8. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 409A

(a) General. It is the intention of both the Company and the Executive that the benefits and rights to which the Executive could be entitled pursuant to this Agreement comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations and other guidance promulgated or

issued thereunder ("Section 409A"), to the extent that the requirements of Section 409A are applicable thereto, and the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in a manner consistent with that intention. If the Executive or the Company believes, at any time, that any such benefit or right that is subject to Section 409A does not so comply, it shall promptly advise the other and shall negotiate reasonably and in good faith to amend the timing of such benefits and rights such that they comply with Section 409A (with the most limited possible economic effect on the Executive).

(b) Distributions on Account of Separation from Service. If and to the extent required to comply with Section 409A, no payment or benefit required to be paid under this Agreement on account of termination of the Executive's employment shall be made unless and until the Executive incurs a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A.

(c) 6 Month Delay for "Specified Employees".

(i) If the Executive is a "specified employee", then no payment or benefit that is payable on account of the Executive's "separation from service", as that term is defined for purposes of Section 409A, shall be made before the date that is six months after the Executive's "separation from service" (or, if earlier, the date of the Executive's death) if and to the extent that such payment or benefit constitutes deferred compensation (or may be nonqualified deferred compensation) under Section 409A and such deferral is required to comply with the requirements of Section 409A. Any payment or benefit delayed by reason of the prior sentence shall be paid out or provided in a single lump sum at the end of such required delay period in order to catch up to the original payment schedule. There shall be added to any payments that are delayed pursuant to this provision interest at the prime rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal for the date of the Executive's separation from service. Such interest shall be calculated from the date on which the payment otherwise would have been made until the date on which the payment is made.

(ii) For purposes of this provision, the Executive shall be considered to be a "specified employee" if, at the time of his or her separation from service, the Executive is a "key employee", within the meaning of Section 416(i) of the Code, of the Company (or any person or entity with whom the Company would be considered a single employer under Section 414(b) or Section 414(c) of the Code) any stock in which is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

(d) No Acceleration of Payments. Neither the Company nor the Executive, individually or in combination, may accelerate any payment or benefit that is subject to Section 409A, except in compliance with Section 409A and the provisions of this Agreement, and no amount that is subject to Section 409A shall be paid prior to the earliest date on which it may be paid without violating Section 409A.

(e) Treatment of Each Installment as a Separate Payment. For purposes of applying the provisions of Section 409A to this Agreement, each separately identified amount to which the Executive is entitled under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In addition, to the extent permissible under Section 409A, any series of installment payments under this Agreement shall be treated as a right to a series of separate payments.

### (f) Taxable Reimbursements.

(i) Any reimbursements by the Company to the Executive of any eligible expenses under this Agreement that are not excludable from the Executive's income for Federal income tax purposes (the "Taxable Reimbursements") shall be made by no later than the earlier of the date on which they would be paid under the Company's normal policies and the last day of the taxable year of the Executive following the year in which the expense was incurred.

(ii) The amount of any Taxable Reimbursements to be provided to the Executive during any taxable year of the Executive shall not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement to be provided in any other taxable year of the Executive.

(iii) The right to Taxable Reimbursements shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

### 9. REPRESENTATION AND AGREEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE

(a) Executive represents and warrants that he is free to enter into this Agreement and to perform the duties required hereunder, and that there are no employment contracts or understandings, restrictive covenants or other restrictions, whether written or oral, preventing the performance of his duties hereunder.

(b) Executive agrees to submit to a medical examination and to cooperate and supply such other information and documents as may be required by any insurance company in connection with the Company's obtaining life insurance on the life of Executive, and any other type of insurance or fringe benefit as the Company shall determine from time to obtain.

(c) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been convicted of a felony and he has not been convicted or incarcerated for a misdemeanor within the past five years, other than a first conviction for drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.

(d) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding that resulted in a judgement, decree, or final order (i) enjoining him from future violations of, or prohibiting any violations of any federal or state securities law, or (ii) finding any violations of any federal or state securities law.

(e) Executive represents and warrants that he has never been accused of any impropriety in connection with any employment;

Any breach of any of the above representations and warranties is "justifiable cause" for termination under paragraph 7(d) of this Agreement.

#### 10. NON-COMPETITION

(a) Executive agrees that during the Term of Employment and during the one (1) year period immediately following the Termination Date (the "Non-Competitive Period"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, as owner, partner, joint venturer, stockholder, employee, broker, agent, principal, trustee, corporate officer, director, licensor, or in any capacity whatsoever, engage in, become financially interested in, be employed by, render any consultation or business advice with respect to, accept any competitive business on behalf of, or have any connection with any business which is competitive with products or services of the Company or any subsidiaries and affiliates, in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates are then conducting or proposing to conduct business, including, without limitation, the United States of America and its possessions, Canada and Europe; provided, however, that Executive may own any securities of any corporation which is engaged in such business and is publicly owned and traded but in an amount not to exceed at any one time one percent (1%) of any class of stock or securities of such corporation. In addition, Executive shall not, during the Non-Competitive Period, directly or indirectly, request or cause any suppliers or customers with whom the Company or any of its subsidiaries has a business relationship to cancel or terminate any such business relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates any employee (or former employee who has been separated from service for less than 12 months) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

(b) If any portion of the restrictions set forth in this paragraph 10 should, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity or enforceability of the remainder of such restrictions shall not thereby be adversely affected. For the purposes of this paragraph 10, a business competitive with the products and services of the Company (or such subsidiaries and affiliates) is limited to a specialty retailer which primarily distributes, sells or markets so-called "big and tall" apparel of any kind for men or which utilizes the "big and tall" retail or wholesale marketing concept as part of its business.

(c) Executive acknowledges that the Company conducts business throughout the world, that Executive's duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company are of a worldwide nature, that its sales and marketing prospects are for continued expansion throughout the world and therefore, the territorial and time limitations set forth in this paragraph 10 are reasonable and properly required for the adequate protection of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates. In the event any such territorial or time limitation is deemed to be unreasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction, Executive agrees to the reduction of the territorial or time limitation to the area or period which such court shall deem reasonable.

(d) The existence of any claim or cause of action (a claim or cause of action is defined as a claim or cause of action which results from a breach of the terms and provisions of this Agreement by the Company, regardless of whether the breach is material) by Executive against the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate shall not constitute a defense to the enforcement by the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the foregoing restrictive covenants, but such claim or cause of action shall be litigated separately.

#### 11. INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

(a) Upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter, Executive shall promptly and fully disclose to the Company, and with all necessary detail for a complete understanding of the same, all existing and future developments, know-how, discoveries, inventions, improvements, concepts, ideas, writings, formulae, processes and methods (whether copyrightable, patentable or otherwise) made, received, conceived, acquired or written during working hours, or otherwise, by Executive (whether or not at the request or upon the suggestion of the Company) during the period of his employment with, or rendering of advisory or consulting services to, the Company or any of its subsidiaries and affiliates, solely or jointly with others, in or relating to any activities of the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates known to him as a consequence of his employment or the rendering of advisory and consulting services hereunder (collectively the "Subject Matter").

(b) Executive hereby assigns and transfers, and agrees to assign and transfer, to the Company, all his rights, title and interest in and to the Subject Matter, and Executive further agrees to deliver to the Company any and all drawings, notes, specifications and data relating to the Subject Matter, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for copyrights or patents, as may be necessary to obtain copyrights and patents for any thereof in any and all countries and to vest title thereto to the Company. Executive shall assist the Company in obtaining such copyrights or patents during the term of this Agreement, and at any time thereafter on reasonable notice and at mutually convenient times, and Executive agrees to testify in any prosecution or litigation involving any of the Subject Matter; provided, however, after the Term of Employment that Executive shall be compensated in a timely manner at the rate of \$250 per day (or portion thereof), plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in rendering such assistance or giving or preparing to give such testimony if it is required after the termination of this Agreement.

## 12. NON-DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

(a) Executive acknowledges that the Company possesses certain confidential and propriety information that has been or may be revealed to him or learned by Executive during the course of Executive's employment with the Company and that it would be unfair to use that information or knowledge to compete with or to otherwise disadvantage the Company. Executive shall not, during the Term of Employment or at any time following the Term of Employment, directly or indirectly, disclose or permit to be known (other than as is required in the regular course of his duties (including without limitation disclosures to the Company's advisors and consultants), as required by law (in which case Executive shall give the Company prior written notice of such required disclosure) or with the prior written consent of the Board of Directors, to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, any confidential information acquired by him during the course of, or as an incident to, his employment or the rendering of his advisory or consulting services hereunder, relating to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, the directors of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, any supplier or customer of the

Company or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates, or any corporation, partnership or other entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any of the foregoing, or in which any of the foregoing has a beneficial interest, including, but not limited to, the business affairs of each of the foregoing. Such confidential information shall include, but shall not be limited to, proprietary technology, trade secrets, patented processes, research and development data, know-how, market studies and forecasts, financial data, competitive analyses, pricing policies, employee lists, personnel policies, the substance of agreements with customers, suppliers and others, marketing or dealership arrangements, servicing and training programs and arrangements, supplier lists, customer lists and any other documents embodying such confidential information. This confidentiality obligation shall not apply to any confidential information, which is or becomes publicly available other than pursuant to a breach of this paragraph 12(a) by Executive.

(b) All information and documents relating to the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates as herein above described (or other business affairs) shall be the exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to prevent any publication or disclosure thereof. Upon termination of Executive's employment with the Company, all documents, records, reports, writings and other similar documents containing confidential information, including copies thereof then in Executive's possession or control shall be returned and left with the Company.

#### 13. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Executive agrees that if he breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any enforceable provision of paragraphs 10, 11 or 12 (the "Restrictive Covenants"), the Company shall have, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company under law and in equity, the right to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, it being agreed that any such breach or threatened breach of the Restrictive Covenants would cause irreparable injury to the Company and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Executive of his right to contest whether such a breach or threatened breach of any Restrictive Covenant has occurred. In the event of litigation between the parties to this Agreement regarding their respective rights and obligations under paragraphs 10, 11, or 12 hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all attorneys' fees and expenses reasonably incurred in obtaining a ruling in the prevailing party's favor. Any such damages, attorneys' fees and costs shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any injunctive relief that may be available to the Company.

### 14. AMENDMENT OR ALTERATION

No amendment or alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.

## 15. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

# 16. SEVERABILITY

The holding of any provision of this Agreement to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

## 17. NOTICES

Any notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be sufficient if in writing, and if delivered by hand or courier, or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the addresses set forth above or such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing to the other, and shall be deemed given as of the date of the delivery or of the placement of the notice in the mail.

# 18. WAIVER OR BREACH

It is agreed that a waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate, or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by that same party.

# 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, heirs, distributors, successors and assigns and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be modified except upon further written agreement executed by both parties. Executive agrees that the Company may in its sole discretion, during the term of Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, provide copies of this Agreement (or excerpts of the Agreement) to others, including businesses or entities that may employ, do business with, or consider employing Executive in the future. Executive further agrees that any subsequent change or changes in his duties, compensation or areas of responsibility shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or otherwise render inapplicable any of the provisions of paragraphs 10 through 13 of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect except as may be modified by a subsequent written agreement.

# 20. <u>SURVIVAL</u>

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the termination of Executive's employment hereunder or the expiration of this Agreement shall not affect the enforceability of paragraphs 7 through 26 hereof, which shall survive the termination or expiration.

### 21. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

Any and all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this paragraph 21 and paragraph 15.

The parties shall attempt to resolve any dispute, controversy or difference that may arise between them through good faith negotiations. In the event the parties fail to reach resolution of any such dispute within thirty (30) days after entering into negotiations, either party may proceed to institute action in any state or federal court located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction, and each party consents to the personal jurisdiction of any such state or federal court. Both parties waive their right to a trial by jury.

#### 22. NON-DISPARAGEMENT

Executive agrees not to make disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning the Company, its officers, directors, trustees, and employees or the services or programs provided or to be provided by the Company and the Company agrees not to make any disparaging, critical or otherwise detrimental comments to any person or entity concerning Executive.

# 23. FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree to execute and deliver all such further documents, agreements and instruments and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.

### 24. SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

For purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "affiliate" means any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company, and "control" means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of an entity, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such entity; and

(b) "subsidiary" means any corporation or other entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 50% or more of the total combined voting power of the then outstanding securities or interests of such corporation or other entity entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (or similar governing body of a non-corporate entity) or in which the Company has the right to receive 50% or more of the distribution of profits or 50% or more of the assets on liquidation or dissolution.

# 25. <u>HEADINGS</u>

The paragraph headings appearing in this Agreement are for the purposes of easy reference and shall not be considered a part of this Agreement or in any way modify, amend or affect its provisions.

# 26. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, under seal, as of the date and year first above written.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC.

By:/s/ David A. LevinName:David A. LevinIts:President, Chief Executive Officer

By:/s/ Dennis R. HernreichName:Dennis R. HernreichIts:Executive VP, COO, CFO

/s/ Peter H. Stratton, Jr. Peter H. Stratton, Jr. Date: January 8, 2010

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# EXHIBIT A FORM OF RELEASE

# GENERAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS

1. Peter H. Stratton, Jr. ("Executive"), for himself and his family, heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives and their respective successors and assigns, in exchange for good and valuable consideration to be paid after the date of his termination as set forth in the Employment Agreement to which this release is attached as Exhibit A (the "Employment Agreement"), does hereby release and forever discharge Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries, affiliated companies, successors and assigns, and their respective current or former directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents in such capacities (collectively with the Company, the "Released Parties") from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, controversies, claims and demands whatsoever, for or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever, whether known or unknown including, but not limited to, all claims under any applicable laws arising under or in connection with Executive's employment or termination thereof, whether for tort, breach of express or implied employment contract, wrongful discharge, intentional infliction of emotional distress, or defamation or injuries incurred on the job or incurred as a result of loss of employment. Executive acknowledges that the Company encouraged him to consult with an attorney of his choosing, and through this General Release of Claims encourages him to consult with his attorney with respect to possible claims under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act ("ADEA") and that he understands that the ADEA is a Federal statute that, among other things, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in employment and employee benefits and benefit plans. Without limiting the generality of the release provided above, Executive expressly waives any and all claims under ADEA that he may have as of the date hereof. Executive further understands that by signing this General Release of Claims he is in fact waiving, releasing and forever giving up any claim under the ADEA as well as all other laws within the scope of this paragraph 1 that may have existed on or prior to the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph 1 to the contrary, this General Release of Claims shall not apply to (i) any rights to receive any payments pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Employment Agreement, or any accrued but unpaid benefits under any employee benefit plan maintained by the Company (ii) any rights or claims that may arise as a result of events occurring after the date this General Release of Claims is executed, (iii) any indemnification rights Executive may have as a former officer or director of the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies, (iv) any claims for benefits under any directors' and officers' liability policy maintained by the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliated companies in accordance with the terms of such policy, (v) any rights as a holder of equity securities of the Company, and (vi) any rights or claims that, by law, may not be waived, including claims for unemployment compensation and workers' compensation. Nothing contained in this Agreement prevents you from filing a charge, cooperating with or participating in any investigation or proceeding before any federal or state Fair Employment Practices Agency, including, without limitation, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, except that you acknowledge that you will not be able to recover any monetary benefits in connection with any such claim, charge or proceeding.

2. Executive represents that he has not filed against the Released Parties any complaints, charges, or lawsuits arising out of his employment, or any other matter arising on or prior to the date of this General Release of Claims, and covenants and agrees that he will never individually or with any person file, or commence the filing of, any charges, lawsuits, complaints or proceedings with any governmental agency, or against the Released Parties with respect to any of the matters released by Executive pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof (a "<u>Proceeding</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, Executive shall not have relinquished his right to commence a Proceeding to challenge whether Executive knowingly and voluntarily waived his rights under ADEA.

3. Executive hereby acknowledges that the Company has informed him that he has up to twenty-one (21) days to sign this General Release of Claims and he may knowingly and voluntarily waive that twenty-one (21) day period by signing this General Release of Claims earlier. Executive also understands that he shall have seven (7) days following the date on which he signs this General Release of Claims within which to revoke it by providing a written notice of his revocation to the Company.

4. Executive acknowledges that this General Release of Claims will be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

5. Executive acknowledges that he has read this General Release of Claims, that he has been advised that he should consult with an attorney before he executes this general release of claims, and that he understands all of its terms and executes it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance and the consequences thereof.

6. This General Release of Claims shall take effect on the eighth day following Executive's execution of this General Release of Claims unless Executive's written revocation is delivered to the Company within seven (7) days after such execution.

Peter H. Stratton, Jr.

Exhibit 21.1

# SUBSIDIARIES OF CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC. Wholly-owned unless otherwise indicated

Subsidiary:	State of Incorporation:
Casual Male Retail Store, LLC (f/k/a Designs CMAL Retail Store Inc.)	Delaware
Casual Male Direct, LLC (f/k/a Designs CMAL TBD Inc.)	Delaware
CMRG Apparel Management, Inc.	Delaware
CMRG Holdco, LLC	Delaware
CMXL Apparel, LP (a)	Delaware
CMRG Apparel, LLC (f/k/a Designs Apparel, Inc.) (b)	Delaware
Casual Male Store, LLC (f/k/a Designs CMAL Store Inc.)	Delaware
Capture, LLC (c)	Virginia
	Delaware
Casual Male RBT, LLC	
Casual Male Jaredm LLC (d)	Delaware
Casual Male RBT (U.K.) LLC (d)	Delaware
CMXL, LLC (f/k/a CMRG Apparel, LLC) (e)	Delaware
Casual Male Canada Inc.	Ontario, Canada
Casual Male (EUROPE) LLC	Delaware
Think Big Products LLC	Delaware
Canton PL Liquidating Corp. (f/k/a LP Innovations, Inc.)	Nevada
CMRG Global Holdings, Ltd.	Cayman Islands
CMRG Europe B.V. (f)	Netherlands
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- (a) A limited partnership in which CMRG Apparel Management, Inc. is a General Partner owning 1% and CMRG Holdco, LLC is a Limited Partner owning 99%. (Both partners are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.)
- (b) 100% owned by CMXL Apparel, LP (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.)
- (c) 100% owned by Casual Male Store, LLC (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.)
- (d) 100% owned by Casual Male RBT, LLC (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.)
- (e) Subsidiary is currently inactive.
- (f) 100% owned by CMRG Global Holding, Ltd.

## **Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Form S-3 Nos. 333-118966, 333-112598, 333-90742, and 33-53358 and Form S-8 Nos. 333-112561, 333-112218, 333-136890, 33-52892, 333-164618, and 333-163245) of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. of our reports dated March 19, 2010, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc., included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended January 30, 2010.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Boston, Massachusetts March 19, 2010

# PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, David A. Levin, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 19, 2010

/s/ DAVID A. LEVIN

David A. Levin President and Chief Executive Officer

# PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Dennis R. Hernreich, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 19, 2010

/s/ DENNIS R. HERNREICH Dennis R. Hernreich

Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. (the "Company") for the period ended January 30, 2010, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, David A. Levin, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"); and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

This certification is being furnished as an exhibit to the Report pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. This certification will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates this certification by reference.

Dated: March 19, 2010

/s/ DAVID A. LEVIN David A. Levin Chief Executive Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

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- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"); and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

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Dated: March 19, 2010

/s/ DENNIS R. HERNREICH Dennis R. Hernreich Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.