

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

LAWRENCE E. JAFFE PENSION PLAN, On )	Lead Case No. 02-C-5893
Behalf of Itself and All Others Similarly )	(Consolidated)
Situated, )	
	<u>CLASS ACTION</u>
Plaintiff, )	
vs. )	Judge Ronald A. Guzman
	Magistrate Judge Nan R. Nolan
HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, INC., et )	
al., )	
Defendants. )	
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**DECLARATION OF AZRA Z. MEHDI IN SUPPORT OF LEAD PLAINTIFFS’  
RESPONSE TO HOUSEHOLD DEFENDANTS’ MOTION BASED ON THE SUPREME  
COURT’S DECISION IN *DURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. V. BROUDO***

I, AZRA Z. MEHDI, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice before all of the courts of the State of California. I am a member of the law firm of Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP, one of the counsel of record for plaintiffs in the above-entitled action. I am also admitted to the General Bar for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein and, if called upon, I could and would competently testify thereto.

2. Attached are true and correct copies of the following exhibits:

Exhibit A: *In re Daou Sys., Inc., Sec. Litig.*, No. 02-56989, Order (9th Cir. Aug. 12, 2005);

Exhibit B: Transcript of Proceedings dated July 7, 2005;

Exhibit C: *D.E. & J. v. Conaway, et al.*, Case No. 03-2334, Docket Sheet (6th Cir. as of August 17, 2005); and

Exhibit D: Excerpts of Household International, Inc.'s Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 25, 2003 for fiscal year 2002.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 18th day of August, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

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AZRA Z. MEHDI