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| 1 | This is an Appeal from the Order entered on or about March 5, 2014 with Notice of Entry | | | |
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| 2 | of Order being filed on or about March 7, 2014 granting Defendant's Counter-Motion for | | | |
| 3 | Summary Judgment against the Plaintiffs. | | | |
| 4 | DATED thisday of March, 2014. | | | |
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| 3 | service of a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF APPEAL was duly made by First |
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| 1 | 1. Appellants filing case appeal statement: |
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| 2 | CAREY HUMPHRIES and LORENZO ROCHA III |
| 3 | 2. Judge issuing the decision, judgment, or order appealed from: |
| 4 | The Honorable Michael P. Villani |
| 5 | 3. Appellants and counsel for Appellants: |
| 6 | Carey Humphries and Lorenzo Rocha III, Appellants |
| 7 | Counsel: |
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| 1 | 4. Respondent and Respondent's Counsel: |
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| 2 | New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC, Respondent |
| 3 | Counsel: |
| 4 | Martin J. Kravitz, Esq. |
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| 11 | Attorneys for Respondent |
| 12 | 5. Counsel for Appellants and Respondent are licensed to practice law in Nevada. |
| 13 | 6. Appellants were represented by their retained counsel of record in District Court, |
| 14 | Craig W. Drummond, Esq. and Josh L. Tomsheck, Esq. |
| 15 | 7. Appellants are represented by their retained counsel of record on Appeal. |
| 16 | 8. Appellants have not been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis. |
| 17 | 9. Proceedings commenced on May 12, 2011 upon the filing of a Complaint. |
| 18 | 10. Brief description of the nature of the action and result in the district court, including |
| 19 | the type of judgment or order being appealed and the relief granted by the district court: |
| 20 | This is a negligence action wherein Plaintiff allege that Defendant caused injuries to their |
| 21 | body and persons due to negligent security and premises liability. A Complaint in this matter was |
| 22 | filed on May 12, 2011. After a Writ of Mandamus was granted by the Nevada Supreme Court in |
| 23 | Plaintiffs' favor, on November 7, 2013, the case was remanded back to the District Court. On |
| 24 | December 2, 2013, Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. On December 19, 2013, |
| 25 | Defendant filed an Opposition and Counter-Motion for Summary Judgment. On January 12, 2014, |
| 26 | Plaintiffs filed an Opposition to Defendant's Counter-Motion and on January 22, 2014, Defendant |
| 27 | filed a Reply in Support. On January 29, 2014 a hearing was held in the District Court and on |
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March 5, 2014 Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law were entered. On March 7, 2014, a Notice of Entry of Order was filed by the Defendant.

11. Whether the case has previously been the subject of an appeal to or original writ proceeding in the Supreme Court and, if so, the caption and Supreme Court docket number of the prior proceeding.

Yes, Writ of Mandamus, Case No. 61690. <u>Humphries v. New York-New York Hotel &</u> Casino, 129 Nev. Advance Opinion 85 (Nov. 27, 2013).

12. Whether the appeal involves child custody or visitation:

No.

13. In civil cases, whether the appeal involves the possibility of settlement.

Yes.

DATED this 25 day of March, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

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DEPARTMENT 17 CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-11-641181-C

| Carey Humphries, Plaintiff(s) vs. New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC, Defendant (s) | | w. w. w. w. | Judicial O File Cross-Reference | fficer: ed on: | Department 17 Villani, Michael 05/12/2011 A641181 |
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| Plaintiff | Humphries, Carey | | | | Lead Attorneys Drummond, Craig W., ESO Retained 702-366-9966(W |
| | Rocha III, Lorenzo | | | | Drummond, Craig W., ESC Retained 702-366-9966(W |
| Defendant | New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC | С | | | Kravitz, Martin Retained 702-362-6666(W |
| Third Party Defendant | Ferrell, Erik | | | | |
| Third Party Plaintiff | New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LL(| C | | | Kravitz, Martin . <i>Retained</i> 702-362-6666(W |
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| 05/12/2011 | Complaint Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Complaint | | | | |
| 05/12/2011 | Case Opened | | | | |
| 05/24/2011 | Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant New York-New York F Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casin | | | Fee L | Disclosure |
| 05/24/2011 | Demand for Security of Costs Filed By: Defendant New York-New York F Defendant New York-New York's Demand for and Lorenzo Rocha, III | | | 's Care | zy Humphries |

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| 05/27/2011 | Summons Filed by: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Summons |
| 05/27/2011 | Affidavit of Service Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Affidavit of Service for Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino |
| 06/01/2011 | Notice of Posting Non-Resident Cost Bond Filed by: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Notice of Posting Non-Resident Cost Bond for Plaintiff Carey Humphries |
| 06/01/2011 | Notice of Posting Non-Resident Cost Bond Filed by: Plaintiff Rocha III, Lorenzo Notice of Posting Non-Resident Cost Bond for Plaintiff Lorenzo Rocha III |
| 06/09/2011 | Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Spoliation Claim or in the Alternative Motion for More Definite Statement |
| 06/21/2011 | Opposition to Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Dismiss |
| 06/28/2011 | Reply in Support Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss |
| 07/13/2011 | Motion to Dismiss (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Events: 06/09/2011 Motion to Dismiss Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Spoliation Claim or in the Alternative Motion for More Definite Statement |
| 07/21/2011 | G Order Granting Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Spoliation Claim Without Prejudice |
| 07/21/2011 | Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Debtors: Carey Humphries (Plaintiff), Lorenzo Rocha III (Plaintiff) Creditors: New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC (Defendant) Judgment: 07/21/2011, Docketed: 08/02/2011 Comment: Certain Claim |
| 07/22/2011 | Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Spoliation Claim |
| 08/01/2011 | Answer Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint |
| 08/09/2011 | Demand for Jury Trial Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC |

| | Defendant, New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC's Demand for Jury Trial |
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| 08/17/2011 | Motion to Extend Discovery Plaintiff's Motion to Extend Discovery |
| 08/29/2011 | Ex Parte Order Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Ex Parte Order to Vacate Hearing and Strike Pleading |
| 08/31/2011 | Commissioners Decision on Request for Exemption - Granted Commissioner s Decision on Request for Exemption |
| 09/06/2011 | Commissioners Decision on Request for Exemption - Granted Commissioner's Decision on Request for Exemption - Granted |
| 10/12/2011 | Motion for Summary Judgment Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Partial Motion for Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages |
| 10/19/2011 | Joint Case Conference Report Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Joint Case Conference Report |
| 10/22/2011 | Q Opposition and Countermotion Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendant's Partial Motion for Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages and Counter-Motion to Redact Defendant's Exhibits |
| 10/25/2011 | Scheduling Order Scheduling Order |
| 11/08/2011 | Reply in Support Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Reply in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages |
| 11/16/2011 | Motion for Summary Judgment (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Brennan, James) Events: 10/12/2011 Motion for Summary Judgment Defendant's Partial Motion for Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages |
| 11/16/2011 | Opposition and Countermotion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Brennan, James) Events: 10/22/2011 Opposition and Countermotion Plaintiffs' Opposition to Defendant's Partial Motion for Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages and Counter-Motion to Redact Defendant's Exhibits |
| 11/16/2011 | All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Brennan, James) Defendant's Partial Motion for Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages Opposition and Countermotion to Redact Defendant's Exibits |
| 11/21/2011 | G Order Setting Civil Jury Trial Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Order Setting Civil Jury Trial and Calendar Call |
| 12/13/2011 | G Order Granting Summary Judgment Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC |

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| | Order Granting Defendant's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages |
| 12/13/2011 | Partial Summary Judgment (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Debtors: New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC (Defendant) Creditors: Carey Humphries (Plaintiff), Lorenzo Rocha III (Plaintiff) Judgment: 12/13/2011, Docketed: 12/27/2011 |
| 12/14/2011 | Votice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment as to Punitive Damages |
| 02/13/2012 | W Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Spring Valley Hospital Medical Center |
| 02/13/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Desert Radiologists |
| 02/13/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Arrowhead Regional Medical Center |
| 02/13/2012 | W Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Arrowhead Radiology |
| 02/13/2012 | Q Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Arrowhead Community Surgical Medical Group |
| 02/13/2012 | W Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for American Medical Response |
| 02/13/2012 | W Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Shadow Emergency Physicians |
| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition For Health Office at California State University - San Bernardino |
| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Paisano Restaurante Italiano |
| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Big Bear Lake Fire Protection District |
| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC |

| | Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for The Cellar Spirits and Grill |
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| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for Fontana Unified School District |
| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for the County of San Bernardino |
| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for the Yucaipa Police Department and Sheriff |
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| 02/15/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of (Records Only) Deposition for the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department |
| 03/07/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Notice of N.R.C.P. 30(b)(6) Deposition of Carey Humphries |
| 03/07/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Notice of N.R.C.P. 30(b)(6) Deposition of Lorenzo Rocha, III |
| 04/11/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Second Notice of Deposition |
| 04/12/2012 | Motion to Compel Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Motion to Compel Plaintiffs to Join a Necessary Party or Face Dismissal |
| 04/19/2012 | Association of Counsel Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Notice of Association of Counsel |
| 04/23/2012 | Notice of Deposition Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Third Notice of Deposition |
| 04/24/2012 | Deposition Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Compel Plaintiffs to Join a Necessary Party or Face Dismissal |

| 05/14/2012 | Reply in Support Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Reply in Support of Motion to Compel Plaintiffs to Join a Necessary Party or Face Dismissal |
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| 05/23/2012 | (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Defendant's Motion to Compel Plaintiffs to Join a Necessary Party or Face Dismissal |
| 06/12/2012 | Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Compel Plaintiffs to Join a Necessary Party or Face Dismissal |
| 06/13/2012 | Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Entry of Order |
| 06/14/2012 | (A) Motion Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration of Order |
| 06/15/2012 | Disclosure of Expert Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Disclosure of Expert Witness |
| 06/18/2012 | Certificate of Mailing Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Certificate of Mailing |
| 06/29/2012 | Supplemental Filed by: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Supplement to Disclosure of Expert Witness |
| 06/29/2012 | Opposition to Motion Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Opposition to Plaitniffs' Motion for Reconsideration of Order |
| 07/18/2012 | Wotion For Reconsideration (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration of Order |
| 07/18/2012 | Supplement Filed by: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Second Supplement to Disclosure of Expert Witness |
| 08/20/2012 | Motion Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Motion for Stay of Proceedings on Order Shortening Time |
| 08/21/2012 | G Order Denying Motion Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Order Denying Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration |
| 08/22/2012 | 🔾 Notice of Entry of Order |

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| | Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Entry of Order Denying Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration |
| 08/31/2012 | Opposition to Motion Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Stay |
| 09/05/2012 | Motion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Plaintiff's Motion for Stay of Proceedings on Order Shortening |
| 09/20/2012 | G Order Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Order Regarding Plaintiffs' Motion For Stay of Proceedings on Order Shortening Time |
| 10/16/2012 | Discovery Commissioners Report and Recommendations Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Discovery Commissioner's Report and Recommendations |
| 10/17/2012 | S Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Entry of Order Affirming the Discovery Commissioner's Report and Recommendations |
| 01/23/2013 | Calendar Call (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Events: 11/21/2011 Order Setting Civil Jury Trial |
| 02/04/2013 | CANCELED Jury Trial (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Vacated - per Judge |
| 04/24/2013 | Status Check (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) 04/24/2013, 10/23/2013, 05/07/2014 Status Check: Supreme Court Stay / Trial Setting |
| 11/14/2013 | Notice of Change of Firm Name Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Change of Firm Name |
| 12/02/2013 | Motion for Summary Judgment Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Motion for Summary Judgment |
| 12/19/2013 | Stipulation and Order Filed by: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Stipulation and Order |
| 12/19/2013 | Solution And Order Notice of Entry of Stipulation and Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Notice of Entry of Stipulation and Order |
| 12/19/2013 | Third Party Complaint TPP: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Third-Party Plaintiff, New York-New York Hotel & Casino's Third-Party Complaint |
| 12/19/2013 | Opposition and Countermotion |

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| | Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment and Counter Motion for Summary Judgment |
| 12/23/2013 | G Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure |
| 01/07/2014 | Affidavit of Service Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Affidavit of Service |
| 01/07/2014 | Summons Issued Party: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Summons - Civil |
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| 01/08/2014 | Opposition and Countermotion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) 01/08/2014, 01/29/2014 Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment and Counter Motion for Summary Judgment |
| 01/08/2014 | All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment Defendant's Opposition and Countermotion for Summary Judgment |
| 01/12/2014 | Opposition to Motion For Summary Judgment Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Opposition to Defendant New York New York Hotel and Casino's Countermotion for Summary Judgment |
| 01/22/2014 | Reply in Support Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendants Reply in Support of its Countermotion for Summary Judgment |
| 01/29/2014 | All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) |
| 02/18/2014 | Decision (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Decision: Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment and New York's Countermotion for Summary Judgment |
| 03/05/2014 | Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order Denying Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment and Granting Defendant's Countermotion for Summary Judgment |
| 03/05/2014 | Summary Judgment (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Debtors: Carey Humphries (Plaintiff), Lorenzo Rocha III (Plaintiff) Creditors: New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC (Defendant) Judgment: 03/05/2014, Docketed: 03/12/2014 |
| 03/07/2014 | Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC |

CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-11-641181-C

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| | Notice of Entry of Order | |
| 03/14/2014 | Motion for Attorney Fees and Costs Filed By: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Defendant's Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs | |
| 03/17/2014 | Certificate of Service Filed by: Defendant New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC Certificate of Service | |
| 03/25/2014 | Case Appeal Statement Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Case Appeal Statement | |
| 03/25/2014 | G Opposition Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Plaintiffs' Opposition and Countermotion to Retax the Defendant's Costs | |
| 03/25/2014 | Notice of Appeal Filed By: Plaintiff Humphries, Carey Notice of Appeal | |
| 04/23/2014 | Motion for Attorney Fees and Costs (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Villani, Michael) Defendant's Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs | |
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| I. Party Information | | | |
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| Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone): Carey Humphries | Defendant(s) (name/address/phone): New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC | | |
| Lorenzo Rocha III | | | |
| Attorney (name/address/phone); | Attorney (name/address/phone): | | |
| Craig W. Drummond, (702) 366-9966 | | | |
| 228 S. Fourth St., 1st Floor., LV, NV 89101 | | | |

Civil Cases

II. Nature of Controversy (Please check applicable bold category and applicable subcategory, if appropriate)

| Real Property | | Torts | |
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| Landlord/Tenant Unlawful Detainer Title to Property Foreclosure Liens Quiet Title Specific Performance Condemnation/Eminent Domain Other Real Property Partition Planning/Zoning | Negligence Negligence – Auto Negligence – Medical/Dental Negligence – Premises Liability (Slip/Fall) Negligence – Other | Product Liability Product Liability/Motor Vehicle Other Torts/Product Liability Intentional Misconduct Torts/Defamation (Libel/Slander) Interfere with Contract Rights Employment Torts (Wrongful termination) Other Torts Anti-trust Fraud/Misrepresentation Insurance Legal Tort Unfair Competition | |
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| Summary Administration General Administration Special Administration Set Aside Estates Trust/Conservatorships Individual Trustee Corporate Trustee Other Probate | Construction Defect Chapter 40 General Breach of Contract Building & Construction Insurance Carrier Commercial Instrument Other Contracts/Acct/Judgment Collection of Actions Employment Contract Guarantee Sale Confract Uniform Commercial Code Civil Petition for Judicial Review Other Administrative Law Department of Motor Vehicles Worker's Compensation Appeal | Appeal from Lower Court (also check applicable civil case bax) Transfer from Justice Court Justice Court Civil Appeal Civil Writ Other Special Proceeding Other Civil Filing Compromise of Minor's Claim Conversion of Property Damage to Property Employment Security Enforcement of Judgment Foreign Judgment – Civil Other Personal Property Stockholder Suit Other Civil Matters | |
| III. Business Court Requested (Please check applicable category; for Clark or Washoe Counties only.) | | | |
| NRS Chapters 78-88 Commodities (NRS 90) Securities (NRS 90) | Investments (NRS 104 Art. 8) Deceptive Trade Practices (NRS 598) Trademarks (NRS 600A) | Enhanced Case Mgmt/Business Other Business Court Matters | |
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| 10 | CAREY HUMPHRIES, an individual, and | Case No.: A-11-641181-C | | | |
| 11 | LORENZO ROCHA, III, an individual, and | Dept. No.: XVII | | | |
| 12 | Plaintiffs, | | | | |
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| 19 | | <u>NS OF LAW AND ORDER DENYING</u> IARY JUDGMENT AND GRANTING | | | |
| 20 | | ON FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT | | | |
| 20 | Plaintiffs, Carey Humphries and Lorenzo | o Rocha III, Motion for Summary Judgm | | | |

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> ary Judgment and 21 Defendant, New York-New York Hotel & Casino's (hereinafter "New York-New York"), 22 Countermotion for Summary Judgment, having come on for hearing on the 29th day of January, 23 24 2014, at 8:30 a.m., the parties herein were represented by their counsel of record, Kristopher T. 25 Zeppenfeld, Esq. for Defendant New York-New York, and Craig Drummond Esq. and Joshua 26 Tomcheck Esq. for Plaintiffs Carey Humphries and Lorenzo Rocha III, the Court having 27 considered the pleadings and papers on file herein and the oral argument of counsel, now enters BY

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| 1 | CONCLUSIONS OF LAW |
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| 4 | 2. An innkeeper is liable for injury of the patron if the wrongful act that caused the |
| 5 | injury was foreseeable and the keeper failed to take reasonable precautions against the |
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| 13 | 4. The law requires proof by a preponderance of the evidence that the innkeeper did not |
| 14 | exercise due care for the safety of patrons. Nev. Rev. Stat. §651.015 (1)(B). |
| 15 | 5. Under Nevada law, an innkeeper may owe a duty when the circumstances prior to the |
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- 9. The physical altercation was a spontaneous and unpredictable incident in which New 1 2 York-New York could not have anticipated. 3 10. Plaintiffs have not met the burden of establishing a lack of due care on the part of 4 New York-New York security, as they did not provide any evidence demonstrating 5 the third party assailant's conduct prior to the subject incident provided New York-6 New York security the requisite foreseeability of the resultant altercation. 7 11. Under the analysis set forth in the Estate of Smith, the instant altercation was not 8 foreseeable, and New York-New York exercised due care. Estate of Smith v. 9 10 Mahoney's Silver Nugget, Inc., 265 P.3d 688 (Nev. 2011). 11 12. Plaintiffs have failed to set forth specific facts establishing a genuine issue of material 12 fact to be resolved at trial, so summary judgment in favor of Defendant New York-13 New York is appropriate. 14 JUDGMENT 15 Wherefore, based upon the foregoing windings of fact and conclusions of law, this court 16 17 hereby orders as follows: 18 IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that Plaintiffs Motion for 19 Summary Judgment is DENIED. 20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant New 21 York-New York's Countermotion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED. 22 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that judgment be 23 entered in favor of Defendant New York-New York and against Plaintiffs. 24 25 26 111 27 28 Page 4 of 5
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| 1 | IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this is a final | |
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| 2 | judgment pursuant to an NRCP 54(B). | |
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| 6 | The Honorable Michael P. Villani Judge | |
| 7 | District Court, Department XVII | |
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| 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 | PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Fin | Case No.: A-11-641181-C Dept. No.: XVII DATE: 01/29/14 TIME: 8:30 a.m. TRY OF ORDER adings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order gment and Granting Defendant's Countermotion |
| 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 | for Summary Judgment was entered on March filed with the Clerk on the 5 th day of March, 201 DATED this <u>1th</u> day of March, 2014. | |

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this is a final judgment pursuant to an NRCP 54(B). DATED this <u>4</u> day of <u>Murl</u>, 2014. MUM NU The Honorable Michael P. Villani Judge District Court, Department XVII Submitted by: KRAVITZ, SCHNITZER & JOHNSON, CHTD. MARTIN J. KRAVILZ, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 83 KRISTOPHER T. ZEPPENFELD, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 12144 Page 5 of 5

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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- Colloquy regarding the Intentional Misrepresentation, Fraud, and Spoliation issues. Mr. Drummond advised there has not been a Early Case Conference or any Rule 16.1 disclosures. The Defendants have stated that they have several eye-witness reports, security reports, and surveillance videos that have not been disclosed to Plaintiff and since counsel for Plaintiff has not had an opportunity to review the evidence in this case, the fraud and intentional misrepresentation issues cannot be pled with more particularity; a relaxed pleading was filed. Argument by Mr. Zeppenfeld; Plaintiffs claim for intentional misrepresentation rests on speculation and should be dismissed; the fraud claim should have been pled with more particularity.

COURT ORDERED, Motion GRANTED, without prejudice. If after Discovery, Plaintiffs are able to able to make the appropriate allegations, the Court will GRANT the Motion to Amend the Complaint to add the Fraud and Intentional Misrepresentation Claims

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Minutes Date:

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Mr. Zeppenfeld to prepare the Order approved as to form and content by Mr. Drummond.

DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphries, Plaintif vs. New York-New York Hote | f(s) I & Casino, LLC, Defendant(s) | | | |
| November 16, 20 | 11 8:30 AM All Pend | ing Motions | | | |
| HEARD BY: Brennan, James COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11A | | | | | |
| COURT CLERK: | Carol Donahoo | | | | |
| RECORDER: Michelle Ramsey | | | | | |
| REPORTER: | | | | | |
| | Drummond, Craig W., ESQ Zeppenfeld, Kristopher | Attorney Attorney | | | |
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- DEFENDANT'S PARTIAL MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AS TO PUNITIVE DAMAGES PLAINTIFF'S OPPOSITION AND COUNTERMOTION TO REDACT DEFENDANT'S EXHIBITS

Mr. Drummond advised that the Plaintiffs oppose the Defendant's Motion because discovery did not commence until after the Motion was filed. No cases have been cited that support their position that a Motion for Summary Judgment should be addressed before any discovery. For the reasons stated on the record, Mr. Drummond is requesting that the Court withhold any decision on this matter and let discovery proceed as NRCP 56(e) allows. Argument by Mr. Zeppenfeld; for the reasons stated on the record, he believes that further discovery would not lead to any further facts that would reveal that New York New York acted with conscious disregard or with a culpable state-of-mind intending to injure the Plaintiff. Rebuttal argument by Mr. Drummond. Court stated it FINDINGS and ORDERED, motion GRANTED, without prejudice. After discovery, Court noted Plaintiff may amend if there is conduct which supports the punitive damages.

With regard to the Countermotion, the Defendant has no objection to redacting any confidential information from the Exhibits and supplementing same, if necessary. Therefore, COURT ORDERED,

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Countermotion GRANTED.

Mr. Zeppenfeld to prepare the Order

DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

| Negligence - Other | COL | JRT MINUTES | May 23, 2012 |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphri vs. New York-New | ies, Plaintiff(s) York Hotel & Casino, LLC, E | Defendant(s) |
| May 23, 2012 | 3:00 AM | Motion to Compel | Defendant's Motion to Compel Plaintiffs to Join a Necessary Party or Face Dismissal |
| HEARD BY: Villani | , Michael | COURTRO | OM: RJC Courtroom 11A |
| COURT CLERK: Ca | irol Donahoo | | |
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- The Defendant's Motion to Compel Plaintiff's to Join a Necessary Party came before this Court on the May 23, 2012, Chamber Calendar. It is alleged that Erik Ferrell is an intentional tortfeasor to the underlying claim for damages. Therefore, the COURT FINDS, that he is a necessary and indispensable party based on the Nevada Supreme Court's recent ruling in Cafe Moda, LLC v. Palma, 272 P.3d 137 (Nev. 2012). COURT ORDERED, Motion GRANTED. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, that Plaintiff is to take the appropriate action under NRCP to add Erik Ferrell.

Counsel for New York-New York is directed to submit a proposed order consistent with the foregoing within ten (10) days and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved pursuant to DECRY 7.21. Such Order should set forth a synopsis of the supporting reasons proffered to the Court in briefing.

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Zeppenfeld, Esq., (Kravitz, Schnitzer, Sloane & Johnson, CHTD).

| Negligence - Other | COU | RT MINUTES | July 18, 2012 |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphrie vs. New York-New Y | es, Plaintiff(s) York Hotel & Casino, LLC, E | Defendant(s) |
| July 18, 2012 | 3:00 AM | Motion For Reconsideration | |
| HEARD BY: Villani | , Michael | COURTRO | OM: RJC Courtroom 11A |
| COURT CLERK: Ca | irol Foley | | |
| RECORDER: | | | |
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- Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider Defendant's Motion to Join Necessary Party came before this Court on July 18, 2012, Chamber Calendar.

Plaintiff seeks reconsideration of this Court's Order granting Defendant's Motion To Join a Necessary Party. This original motion was heard without oral argument as Master Calendar set the motion on the Court's Chamber Calendar. On or about April 11, 2010, Plaintiff was intentionally battered by Eric Farrell. Plaintiff has brought negligence claims against the Defendant for the intentional acts of Farrell. The Plaintiff has not set forth any new issues of law or fact establishing that the original Order of the Court was in error. Accordingly, COURT ORDERED Motion for Reconsideration is DENIED.

Counsel for New York-New York is directed to submit a proposed order consistent with the foregoing within ten (10) days and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved pursuant to EDCR 7.21. Such Order should set forth a synopsis of the supporting reasons proffered to the Court in briefing.

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Mr. Drummond and Mr. Zeppenfeld.

| Negligence - Othe | r COURT MINUTES | September 05, 2012 | | |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphries, Plaintiff(s) vs. New York-New York Hotel & G | Casino, LLC, Defendant(s) | | |
| September 05, 2012 | 2 8:30 AM Motion | Plaintiff's Motion for Stay of Proceedings on Order Shortening | | |
| HEARD BY: Villani, Michael COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11A | | | | |
| COURT CLERK: | Carol Donahoo | | | |
| RECORDER: Michelle Ramsey | | | | |
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- This is the time set for hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Stay of Proceedings. Mr. Drummond advised that Plaintiffs are requesting a Stay as he would like to file a Writ of Mandamus to the Nevada Supreme Court with regard to the Court's Order on his Motion for Reconsideration of Order. Pursuant to NRAP 8(a), before filing a Writ, the party must move the District Court for a stay of proceedings. The Motion was on this Court's Chamber Calendar so Mr. Drummond did not have an opportunity to orally request a STAY.

Mr. Zeppenfeld believes that the Plaintiffs have misinterpreted the Rules of Appellate Procedure and for the reasons stated on the record the Rules have not been triggered. Colloquy regarding NRAP 8(a). COURT ORDERED, Motion DENIED; Mr. Zeppenfeld to prepare the Order.

| Negligence - O | ther COURT M | INUTES Janu | ary 23, 2013 | | |
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| A-11-641181-C | VS. | Carey Humphries, Plaintiff(s) vs. New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC, Defendant(s) | | | |
| January 23, 201 | 3 9:00 AM Caler | ndar Call | | | |
| HEARD BY: Villani, Michael COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11A | | | | | |
| COURT CLERK: Tia Everett | | | | | |
| RECORDER: Michelle Ramsey | | | | | |
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| PARTIES PRESENT: | Drummond, Craig W., ESQ | Attorney | | | |
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- Mr. Drummond advised the Court that this case was stayed by the Supreme Court on 10/05/2012. COURT ORDERED, matter trial date VACATED, CASE STAYED, and matter SET for Status Check.

4/24/2013 8:30 AM STATUS CHECK: SUPREME COURT STAY / TRIAL SETTING

| Negligence - Othe | er COUR | RT MINUTES | April | 1 24, 2013 |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphrie vs. New York-New Y | . , | asino, LLC, Defend | lant(s) |
| April 24, 2013 | 8:30 AM | Status Check | | preme Court ay/Trial Setting |
| HEARD BY: Vi | llani, Michael | | COURTROOM: | RJC Courtroom 11A |
| COURT CLERK: | Carol Donahoo | | | |
| RECORDER: Michelle Ramsey | | | | |
| REPORTER: | | | | |
| - | Drummond, Craig W., I Tomsheck, Joshua L. Zeppenfeld, Kristopher | | Attorney Attorney Attorney | |
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- Kristopher Zeppenfeld, Esq., appearing telephonically, through CourtCall.

This is the time set for the Status Check with regard to the Supreme Court Stay. Mr. Tomsheck advised this matter was argued before the Supreme Court on April 8, and there is a supplemental briefing that Plaintiffs are going to join into. COURT ORDERED, status check CONTINUED. In the event the Supreme Court comes back with a decision earlier, the parties can place the matter back on calendar.

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| Negligence - Other | COU | IRT MINUTES | Octo | ber 23, 2013 |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphries, Plaintiff(s) vs. New York-New York Hotel & Casino, LLC, Defendant(s) | | | |
| October 23, 2013 | 8:30 AM | Status Check | | preme Court ay/Trial Setting |
| HEARD BY: Villani, Michael COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11A | | | | |
| COURT CLERK: Carol Donahoo | | | | |
| RECORDER: Michelle Ramsey | | | | |
| REPORTER: | | | | |
| PARTIES PRESENT: Ton | nsheck, Joshua L. | | Attorney | |
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- Mr. Tomsheck advised this matter was argued before the Nevada Supreme Court and counsel has not received a decision yet. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED for six (6) months. If the Supreme Court comes back earlier, then we can move forward on the underlying case. The parties will need re-notice their motions.

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| Negligence - Oth | er COURT MINUTE | S January 08, 2014 | | |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphries, Plaintiff(s) vs. New York-New York Hotel & | | | |
| January 08, 2014 8:30 AM All Pending Motions | | | | |
| HEARD BY: Vi | llani, Michael | COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11A | | |
| COURT CLERK: | Carol Donahoo | | | |
| RECORDER: N | Iichelle Ramsey | | | |
| REPORTER: | | | | |
| | Drummond, Craig W., ESQ Tomsheck, Joshua L. Zeppenfeld, Kristopher | Attorney Attorney Attorney | | |
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| - PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT DEFENDANT'S OPPOSITION AND COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT | | | | |
| This is the time set for hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment and Defendant's | | | | |

This is the time set for hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment and Defendant's Countermotion for Summary Judgment.

Court noted that on December 2, 2013, it received a Notice in Lieu of Remittitur from the Nevada Supreme Court. Therefore, COURT ORDERED, the Supreme Court Order of November 7, 2013, is VACATED.

Mr. Drummond advised that the Defense filed their Summary Judgment as Countermotion and they still have a day or two to respond. The Clerk's Office set both of the Summary Judgment motions on the same day. Plaintiff would like to file an Opposition and, therefore, would request that the matters

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on calendar today be continued; the parties would like to keep the motions together. There being no objection by Mr. Zeppenfeld, COURT ORDERED, Motions CONTINUED.

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| Negligence - O | ther COURT MINUTE | S January 29, 2014 | | | |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphries, Plaintiff(s vs. New York-New York Hotel & | | | | |
| January 29, 2014 | 4 8:30 AM All Pending | Motions | | | |
| HEARD BY: | HEARD BY: Villani, Michael COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11A | | | | |
| COURT CLERK: Andrea Natali | | | | | |
| RECORDER: Michelle Ramsey | | | | | |
| REPORTER: | | | | | |
| PARTIES PRESENT: | Drummond, Craig W., ESQ Zeppenfeld, Kristopher | Attorney Attorney | | | |
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- PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT...DEFENDANT'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND COUNTER MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Argument by Mr. Drummond noting when the deposition of the Corporation had been taken, the Corporation admitted to all elements of negligence without any objections; therefore, only damages should go forward to trial. Further, Mr. Drummond argued that the corporation had admitted there were 2-3 flights a week on the floor.

Mr. Zeppenfeld opposed the motion, stating negligence had not been admitted, argued regarding the injuries of a person on the premise involving a third party, argued there was no evidence that a similar scenario had happened in the past, and argued regarding the in-keeper statue as related to foreseeability. Further, Mr. Zeppenfeld stated security and Metro were on site; argued there was no prior notice of the incident, and there was no standard of care as to the level of staffing that should be present on site.

COURT NOTED, the Plaintiff had complained the security officer had watched the fight for a period of time. Mr. Zeppenfeld stated the security officer and had to call for back up as he was outnumbered. Colloquy regarding the people involved in the incident.

Further arguments by counsel regarding whether it was foreseeability, whether reasonable steps had been taken to prevent this incident, whether there were admissions, and whether there was an industry standard as to how the number staff that should be on site.

COURT ORDERED, written decision TO ISSUE on or before next Wednesday.

| Negligence - Other | COL | JRT MINUTES | February 18, 2014 |
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| A-11-641181-C | Carey Humphr vs. New York-New | ies, Plaintiff(s) York Hotel & Casino, LLC, I | Defendant(s) |
| February 18, 2014 | 9:00 AM | Decision | Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment and Defendant's Countermotion for Summary Judgment |
| HEARD BY: Villani | i, Michael | COURTRO | OOM: RJC Courtroom 11A |
| COURT CLERK: Ca | arol Donahoo | | |
| RECORDER: | | | |
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- Plaintiffs Carrie Humphries and Lorenzo Rocha III's Motion for Summary Judgment and Defendant New York-New York's Countermotion for Summary Judgment came before this Court on the January 29, 2014, Oral Calendar.

The COURT, having reviewed the pleadings and papers on file herein, and heard argument FINDS that on April 10, 2010, Plaintiffs sustained serious injuries as a result of a physical altercation which took place on Defendant's casino floor. Defendant's security staff responded to the altercation and, after calling for backup stopped the altercation approximately seventeen (17) seconds after it began.

Both parties concede that the Estate of Smith v. Mahoney's Silver Nugget, Inc. 127 Nev. Adv. Op. 76 (2011), is dispositive of the issue before the Court. In Smith, the assailant, Mr. Ott, and two friends entered the hotel lounge and joined a "boisterous" group crowded around several pool tables. The group of lounge patrons had previously caught the attention of casino security and within five (5)

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minutes of the arrival of Mr. Ott, the group was asked to leave the casino. At about the same time, Mr. Smith was seated at the bar and after about ten (10) seconds, Mr. Smith rose from his bar stool, walked through the crowd, and punched Mr. Lee. In response to the attack on his friend, Mr. Ott pulled out a concealed weapon and fatally shot Mr. Smith. The District Court granted Summary Judgment in favor of the Casino on the ground that the Casino did not owe Mr. Smith a duty of care of under NRS 651.015. The Supreme Court affirmed the granting of the Summary Judgment. The facts of the present matter are less compelling than those found in Smith.

NRS 651.015(2) states that an innkeeper is liable for injury of a patron if the wrongful act that caused the injury was foreseeable and the keeper failed to take reasonable precautions against the wrongful act. "The court shall determine as a matter of law whether the wrongful act was foreseeable and whether the owner or keeper had a duty to take reasonable precautions against the foreseeable wrongful act of the person who caused the death or injury." NRS 651.015(2)(b). The COURT FINDS, that the instant altercation was not foreseeable. Despite Defendant's statement that two (2) to three (3) fights occur weekly on the casino floor, the assailant had not been violent in any manner before the altercation, and the Plaintiffs do not allege any behavior that would have put casino security on notice. Estate of Smith v. Mahoney's Silver Nugget, Inc., 265 P.3d 688 (Nev. 2011).

Additionally, NRS 651.015(1)(b) requires proof by a preponderance of the evidence that the innkeeper did not exercise due care for the safety of patrons. Although the attack upon Carey Humphries and Lorenzo Rocha III was serious and left the Plaintiffs with potential future injuries, the COURT FINDS, that Plaintiffs have not met the burden of establishing a lack of due care. Casino security responded to the scene, observed, called for backup, and put a stop to the incident within seventeen (17) seconds. Additionally, no information has been presented that casino security knew or had indication of the future criminal conduct of the Plaintiff's assailant. There is no mention by the Plaintiffs on how more or better security could have prevented the attack or ended the conflict sooner. The COURT FURTHER FINDS, that the altercation was not foreseeable and the Defendant exercised due care. Estate of Smith v. Mahoney's Silver Nugget, Inc., 265 P.3d 688 (Nev. 2011).

Therefore, COURT ORDERED, Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment is DENIED and Defendant's Countermotion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED. Counsel for New York-New York is directed to submit a proposed order consistent with the foregoing within ten (10) days after counsel is notified of the ruling and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved pursuant to EDCR 7.21. Such Order should set forth a synopsis of the supporting reasons proffered to the Court in briefing.

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was placed in the attorney folder of Kristopher Zeppenfeld, Esq., (Kravitz, Schnitzer & Johnson, CHTD.).



EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY ON APPEAL TO NEVADA SUPREME COURT

CRAIG W. DRUMMOND, ESQ. 228 S. FOURTH ST., 1ST FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NV 89101

DATE: March 28, 2014 CASE: A641181

RE CASE: CAREY HUMPHRIES; LORENZO ROCHA, III vs. NEW YORK-NEW YORK HOTEL & CASINO, LLC dba NEW YORK-NEW YORK HOTEL & CASINO

NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED: March 25, 2014

YOUR APPEAL <u>HAS</u> BEEN SENT TO THE SUPREME COURT.

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- □ Case Appeal Statement
 - NRAP 3 (a)(1), Form 2
- □ Order
- □ Notice of Entry of Order

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State of Nevada County of Clark SS:

I, Steven D. Grierson, the Clerk of the Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, State of Nevada, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of the hereinafter stated original document(s):

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CAREY HUMPHRIES; LORENZO ROCHA, III,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

NEW YORK-NEW YORK HOTEL & CASINO, LLC dba NEW YORK-NEW YORK HOTEL & CASINO,

Defendant(s),

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Eas Vegas, Nevada This 28 day of March 2014 108131338 Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court 1.381 S. S. M Teodora Jones, Deputy Clerk 0.44632

