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**DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

HOWARD SHAPIRO and)

JENNA SHAPIRO)

Plaintiffs)

vs.)

GLEN WELT, RHODA WELT,)

LYNN WELT, MICHELLE WELT,)

Individuals; CHECKSNET.COM,)

a corporation; DOES I through X, and)

ROE CORPORATIONS I through X,)

Inclusive,)

Defendants.)

CASE NO.: A-14-706566-C

DEPT.: XXVII

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Notice is hereby given that Plaintiffs above named hereby appeals to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the court's issuance of ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS entered on August 31, 2014 with the NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER filed and served on January 2, 2015 by electronic means.

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1 DATED this 2nd of February, 2015.

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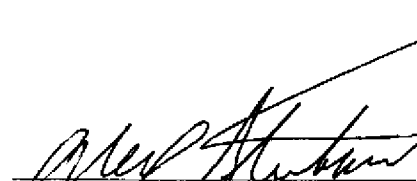
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12 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

13 I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 2nd day of February, 2015, NOTICE OF APPEAL was
14 served upon each of the parties via electronic service through the Eighth Judicial District Court's
15 Odyssey E-File and Serve system.

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DEPARTMENT 27
CASE SUMMARY
CASE NO. A-14-706566-C

Howard Shapiro, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Glen Welt, Defendant(s)

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Location: **Department 27**
Judicial Officer: **Allf, Nancy**
Filed on: **09/04/2014**
Cross-Reference Case Number: **A706566**

CASE INFORMATION

Statistical Closures

01/02/2015 Motion to Dismiss (By Defendant)

Case Type: **Other Civil Matters**

Case Flags: **Appealed to Supreme Court**

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CASE ASSIGNMENT

Current Case Assignment

Case Number A-14-706566-C
Court Department 27
Date Assigned 09/04/2014
Judicial Officer Allf, Nancy



PARTY INFORMATION

| | | <i>Lead Attorneys</i> |
|------------------|---|--|
| Plaintiff | Shapiro, Howard | Schwab, Evan D. <i>Retained</i> 702-489-4442(W) |
| | Shapiro, Jenna | Schwab, Evan D. <i>Retained</i> 702-489-4442(W) |
| Defendant | Checksnet.com Removed: 01/02/2015 Dismissed | |
| | Welt, Glen | Lowry, Michael P. <i>Retained</i> 7023660622(W) |
| | Welt, Lynn Removed: 01/02/2015 Dismissed | Lowry, Michael P. <i>Retained</i> 7023660622(W) |
| | Welt, Michelle Removed: 01/02/2015 Dismissed | Lowry, Michael P. <i>Retained</i> 7023660622(W) |
| | Welt, Rhoda Removed: 01/02/2015 Dismissed | Lowry, Michael P. <i>Retained</i> 7023660622(W) |














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| 09/04/2014 | Case Opened | |
| 09/05/2014 |  Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure (NRS Chapter 19)</i> | |

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| 10/01/2014 |  Demand for Security of Costs Filed By: Defendant Welt, Rhoda <i>Rhoda Welt and Lynn Welt's Demand for Security of Costs</i> |
| 10/01/2014 |  Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant Welt, Rhoda <i>Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure for Rhoda Welt and Lynn Welt</i> |
| 10/01/2014 |  Disclosure Statement Party: Defendant Welt, Rhoda <i>Rhoda Welt and Lynn Welt's NRCP 7.1 Disclosure Statement</i> |
| 10/08/2014 |  Affidavit of Service Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Affidavit of Service</i> |
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| 11/18/2014 |  Certificate of Mailing Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Certificate of Mailing</i> |
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| 11/25/2014 |  Certificate of Service Filed by: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Certificate of Service</i> |
| 12/02/2014 |  Opposition Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Opposition to Motion to Dismiss</i> |
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| 12/11/2014 |  Undertaking for Security for Costs for Non-Resident Party: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Undertaking for Security for Costs for Non-Resident</i> |
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| 12/12/2014 |  Notice Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Notice of Posting Additional Security Cost Bonds</i> |
| 12/12/2014 |  Supplement to Opposition Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard |

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First Supplement to Opposition to Motion to Dismiss

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| 12/15/2014 |  Notice of Withdrawal of Motion Filed By: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Glenn Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt & Michele Welt's Notice of Withdrawal of Motion</i> |
| 12/15/2014 |  Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Glenn Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt & Michele Welt's Motion to Dismiss</i> |
| 12/17/2014 | CANCELED Motion to Dismiss (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) <i>Vacated</i> <i>Glenn Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt & Michele Welt's Motion to Dismiss re NRS 18.130(4).</i> |
| 12/18/2014 |  Opposition to Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint and Counter-motion for Attorney's Fees, Costs, and Sanctions</i> |
| 12/19/2014 |  Reply to Opposition Filed by: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Glenn Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt and Michele Welt's Reply Re Motion to Dismiss</i> |
| 12/24/2014 | Motion to Dismiss (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) <i>Glenn Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt & Michele Welt's Motion to Dismiss</i> |
| 12/24/2014 | Opposition and Countermotion (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) <i>Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint and Counter-motion for Attorney's Fees, Costs, and Sanctions</i> |
| 12/24/2014 |  All Pending Motions (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) |
| 12/29/2014 |  Supplemental Brief Filed By: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Glenn Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt & Michele Welt's Supplement re Motion to Dismiss</i> |
| 12/30/2014 |  Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) <i>Status Check: Written Decision</i> |
| 01/02/2015 |  Order For Dismissal Without Prejudice <i>Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss</i> |
| 01/02/2015 |  Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Notice of Entry of Order Granting Motion to Dismiss</i> |
| 01/02/2015 | Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) Debtors: Howard Shapiro (Plaintiff), Jenna Shapiro (Plaintiff) Creditors: Glen Welt (Defendant), Rhoda Welt (Defendant), Lynn Welt (Defendant), Michelle Welt (Defendant), Checksnet.com (Defendant) Judgment: 01/02/2015, Docketed: 01/08/2015 |
| 01/05/2015 |  Affidavit in Support Filed By: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Affidavit in Support of Fees and Costs per NRS 41.670</i> |

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| 01/08/2015 |  Substitution of Attorney Filed by: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Substitution of Attorney</i> |
| 01/15/2015 |  Memorandum Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Respondent's to Defendants' Memorandum of Fees and Costs Under NRS 41.670</i> |
| 01/16/2015 |  Reply in Support Filed By: Defendant Welt, Glen <i>Reply in Support of Affidavit re Fees and Costs per NRS 41.670</i> |
| 02/02/2015 |  Voluntary Dismissal Filed by: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Voluntary Dismissal</i> |
| 02/02/2015 |  Certificate of Service Filed by: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Certificate of Electronic Service</i> |
| 02/02/2015 |  Notice of Appeal Filed By: Plaintiff Shapiro, Howard <i>Notice of Appeal</i> |

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DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

County, Nevada
Case No. **A-14-706566-C** Dept **XXVII**
(Assigned by Clerk's Office)

I. Party Information *(provide both home and mailing addresses if different)*

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| Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone): <div style="text-align: center;">Howard Shapiro Jenna Shapiro</div> | Defendant(s) (name/address/phone): <div style="text-align: center;">Glen Welt, Rhoda Welt, Lynn Welt, and Checksnet.com</div> |
| Attorney (name/address/phone): <div style="text-align: center;">Eric P. Roy, Esq. 818 E. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89104 (702)423-3333 Nevada Bar No. 11869</div> | Attorney (name/address/phone): <div style="text-align: center;">Unknown</div> |

II. Nature of Controversy *(please select the one most applicable filing type below)*

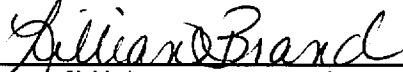
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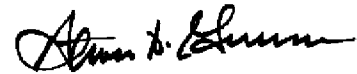
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2 **DISTRICT COURT**
3 **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

4 HOWARD SHAPIRO, JEAN SHAPIRO,
5 Plaintiffs

CASE NO.: A-14-706566-C

6 vs.

DEPARTMENT 27

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8 GLEN WELT, LYNN WELT, MICHELLE
9 WELT and RHODA WELT, Defendants

10 **ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS**

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12 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss was filed on December 15, 2014 and was heard
13 on December 24, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., with a quick setting in compliance with NRS
14 41.660(3)(f); Michael Lowry, Esq. appearing on behalf of Defendants and Evan Swab,
15 Esq. appearing on behalf of Plaintiffs. The Court having considered the pleadings and
16 papers on file herein, and being fully advised in the premises, now makes the following
17 decision and order:

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19 **COURT FINDS** after review that NRS 41.660(3) allows for a special motion to
20 dismiss when the subject of a law suit is "good faith communication in furtherance of . . .
21 the right to free speech in direct connection of an issue of public concern." NRS 41.660.
22 These statutes, commonly known as anti-SLAPP (strategic lawsuit against public
23 participation), is intended to prevent parties from filing law suits in an attempt to restrict
24 or punish communication on an issue of public interest. NRS 41.637. A defendant must
25 show "by a preponderance of the evidence, that the claim is based upon a good faith
26 communication in furtherance of the right to . . . free speech in direct connection with an
27 issue of public concern." NRS 41.660(3)(a). Then, the plaintiff must show by clear and
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1 convincing evidence that there is a probability of it prevailing on the claim. NRS
2 41.660(3)(b).

3 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that Plaintiffs filed the present law suit
4 on September 9, 2014, alleging the following causes of action: 1) Defamation Per Se; 2)
5 Defamation; 3) Extortion; 4) Civil Conspiracy; 5) Fraud; and 6) Punitive Damages. These
6 causes of action arose out of website created by Defendants in response to an action by
7 Plaintiff Howard Shapiro for conservatorship of his father in the New Jersey court
8 system, the Defendants created a website cataloging the bad acts of Plaintiff Howard
9 Shapiro and asking for individuals with more information relating to the case to contact
10 the webmaster, Defendant Glen Welt.

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12 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that the Defendants have met their
13 burden to show by a preponderance of the evidence that the lawsuit was filed in an
14 attempt to prevent the good faith communication in connection with an issue of public
15 concern. Here, the website was communication regarding an ongoing lawsuit concerning
16 the rights of an elderly individual, and a matter of public concern under NRS 41.637(4).
17 The Defamation Per Se and Defamation causes of action are direct attempts to prevent
18 the communication from reaching the public; the remaining causes of action are
19 derivative of these substantive causes of action. Defendants have shown that the subject
20 of this lawsuit, the website, is protected under anti-SLAPP statutes.

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22 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that Plaintiffs have not shown, through
23 clear and convincing evidence, a probability they will prevail on the lawsuit. The Nevada
24 Supreme Court recently reconfirmed its commitment to an absolute litigation privilege in
25 Jacobs v. Adelson, 130Nev. Adv. Op. 44, 325 P.3d 1282, 1285 (2014). Here, the good
26 faith communication is related to the underlying New Jersey lawsuit and is likely
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1 protected. Plaintiffs have not met their burden under NRS 41.660(3)(b) to show that there
2 is a probability of prevailing on the merits.

3 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that NRS 41.670 states that the court
4 shall award reasonable costs and attorney's fees after a successful motion to dismiss. The
5 statute also gives the court discretion to allow an additional amount of up to \$10,000 to
6 the person against whom the action was brought.

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12 Dated: December 31, 2014

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15 HOWARD SHAPIRO and JENNA SHAPIRO, Case No.: A-14-706566-C
16 Plaintiffs, Dept. No. 27

17 vs.

**NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER
GRANTING MOTION TO DISMISS**

18 GLEN WELT, RHODA WELT, LYNN WELT,
19 MICHELLE WELT, individuals;
20 CHECKSNET.COM, a corporation; DOES I
21 through X, and ROE CORPORATIONS I
22 through X, inclusive,
23 Defendants.

24 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on January 2, 2015, the court entered the attached order
25 granting a motion to dismiss.

26 DATED this 2nd day of January, 2015.

27 THORNDAL, ARMSTRONG, DELK,
28 BALKENBUSH & EISINGER

/s/ Michael P. Lowry

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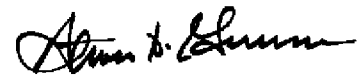
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Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), on January 2, 2015, **NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO DISMISS** was served upon each of the parties via electronic service through the Eighth Judicial District Court's Odyssey E-File and Serve system.

/s/ Michael P. Lowry

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4 HOWARD SHAPIRO, JEAN SHAPIRO,
5 Plaintiffs

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DEPARTMENT 27

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8 GLEN WELT, LYNN WELT, MICHELLE
9 WELT and RHODA WELT, Defendants

10 **ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS**

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12 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss was filed on December 15, 2014 and was heard
13 on December 24, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., with a quick setting in compliance with NRS
14 41.660(3)(f); Michael Lowry, Esq. appearing on behalf of Defendants and Evan Swab,
15 Esq. appearing on behalf of Plaintiffs. The Court having considered the pleadings and
16 papers on file herein, and being fully advised in the premises, now makes the following
17 decision and order:

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20 dismiss when the subject of a law suit is "good faith communication in furtherance of . . .
21 the right to free speech in direct connection of an issue of public concern." NRS 41.660.
22 These statutes, commonly known as anti-SLAPP (strategic lawsuit against public
23 participation), is intended to prevent parties from filing law suits in an attempt to restrict
24 or punish communication on an issue of public interest. NRS 41.637. A defendant must
25 show "by a preponderance of the evidence, that the claim is based upon a good faith
26 communication in furtherance of the right to . . . free speech in direct connection with an
27 issue of public concern." NRS 41.660(3)(a). Then, the plaintiff must show by clear and
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1 convincing evidence that there is a probability of it prevailing on the claim. NRS
2 41.660(3)(b).

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4 on September 9, 2014, alleging the following causes of action: 1) Defamation Per Se; 2)
5 Defamation; 3) Extortion; 4) Civil Conspiracy; 5) Fraud; and 6) Punitive Damages. These
6 causes of action arose out of website created by Defendants in response to an action by
7 Plaintiff Howard Shapiro for conservatorship of his father in the New Jersey court
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9 Shapiro and asking for individuals with more information relating to the case to contact
10 the webmaster, Defendant Glen Welt.

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12 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that the Defendants have met their
13 burden to show by a preponderance of the evidence that the lawsuit was filed in an
14 attempt to prevent the good faith communication in connection with an issue of public
15 concern. Here, the website was communication regarding an ongoing lawsuit concerning
16 the rights of an elderly individual, and a matter of public concern under NRS 41.637(4).
17 The Defamation Per Se and Defamation causes of action are direct attempts to prevent
18 the communication from reaching the public; the remaining causes of action are
19 derivative of these substantive causes of action. Defendants have shown that the subject
20 of this lawsuit, the website, is protected under anti-SLAPP statutes.

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22 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that Plaintiffs have not shown, through
23 clear and convincing evidence, a probability they will prevail on the lawsuit. The Nevada
24 Supreme Court recently reconfirmed its commitment to an absolute litigation privilege in
25 Jacobs v. Adelson, 130Nev. Adv. Op. 44, 325 P.3d 1282, 1285 (2014). Here, the good
26 faith communication is related to the underlying New Jersey lawsuit and is likely
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1 protected. Plaintiffs have not met their burden under NRS 41.660(3)(b) to show that there
2 is a probability of prevailing on the merits.

3 **COURT FURTHER FINDS** after review that NRS 41.670 states that the court
4 shall award reasonable costs and attorney's fees after a successful motion to dismiss. The
5 statute also gives the court discretion to allow an additional amount of up to \$10,000 to
6 the person against whom the action was brought.

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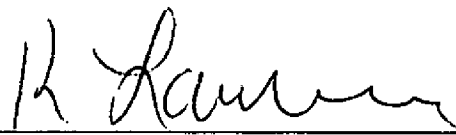
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Other Civil Matters

COURT MINUTES

December 24, 2014

A-14-706566-C Howard Shapiro, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Glen Welt, Defendant(s)

December 24, 2014 10:00 AM Motion to Dismiss

HEARD BY: Allf, Nancy **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03A

COURT CLERK: Nicole McDevitt

RECORDER: Traci Rawlinson

REPORTER:

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**DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

Other Civil Matters

COURT MINUTES

December 24, 2014

A-14-706566-C Howard Shapiro, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Glen Welt, Defendant(s)

December 24, 2014 10:00 AM All Pending Motions

HEARD BY: Allf, Nancy

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03A

COURT CLERK: Nicole McDevitt

RECORDER: Traci Rawlinson

REPORTER:

PARTIES

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| PRESENT: | Ghibaudo, Alex, ESQ | Attorney |
| | Lowry, Michael P. | Attorney |
| | Shapiro, Howard | Plaintiff |

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- GLENN WELT, RHODA WELT, LYNN WELT & MICHELE WELT'S MOTION TO
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CONTINUED FOR CHAMBER'S DECISION.....12/30/2014 (CHAMBERS)

**DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

Other Civil Matters

COURT MINUTES

December 30, 2014

A-14-706566-C Howard Shapiro, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Glen Welt, Defendant(s)

December 30, 2014 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Allf, Nancy **COURTROOM:**

COURT CLERK: Nicole McDevitt

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

**PARTIES
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- Order Granting Motion to Dismiss filed January 2, 2015.



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

ALEX GHIBAUDO, ESQ.
2800 W. SAHARA AVE., SUITE 1H
LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

DATE: February 4, 2015
CASE: A706566

RE CASE: HOWARD SHAPIRO; JENNA SHAPIRO vs. GLEN WELT; RHODA WELT; LYNN WELT; MICHELLE WELT; CHECKSNET.COM

NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED: February 2, 2015

YOUR APPEAL HAS BEEN SENT TO THE SUPREME COURT.

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Dept No: XXVII

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto
Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the
Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada
This 4 day of February 2015.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court



Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk