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#### 17. BAZARDOUS MATERIALS:

Seller represents and warrants that to the best of Seller's knowledge, the Property is not contaminated with any lacandous materials, including, but not limited to, asbestos, processed petroloum derivatives, PCB transformers, other toxic, hazardous or contaminated substances, and underground strongs troke. Seller agrees to disclose to Agent(s), to Buyer, and to all prospective buyers any and all information which Seller has or many acquire regarding the presence and location of any hazardous metarials on or about the Property.

Dots Dayers and Scillers should seek the advice of independent exports regarding the potential presence and/or effect of tenio or herardous substances on real property and any improvements to be sold or purchased.

#### IL AGENT(S) DISCLAIMER:

Buyer and Seller acknowledges that except as otherwise expressly stated horsen. Appen(s) has not made any warranty or representation with respect to any of the following: (a) the legality of the promise or any possible finant use of the Property under any totanal, state or local law, (b) ponding or possible finant action by any governmental entity or agency which may affect the Property; (c) the physical coordiness of the Property, including but not limited to soil conditions. Payor/Sollow agent the investigation and molyans of all matters related to the Property is their soil responsebility and that Buyer/Sollow shall out bold the agent(s) responsible relating in any way to the foregoing scatters.

#### 19. CORRESPONDENCE:

All notice required or permitted hereunder shall be made and given to parties in writing with a copy thereof to Apaul(s). Any such writing may be sent to the parties and Agera(s) by mail, air express (government or private carrier), or flectivale machine.

Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement all notions, demands or other communications gives been duly delivered upon personal delivery, as of the next day after deports with a coronously accepted courier for over-night delivery, or as of the fixed business day after mailing by United Stones contribed mail. return receipt measured, prouge prepaid an addressed as follows:

If to Scho, to: JOHN ELESCY

100 COVERT STREET

RENO. NEYADA 197501

If to Buyer, to: SAM CANIGLIA

132 PARKER STREET

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

Copies to: Richard K. Jahnson Fro: 773-821-8841
6420 S. McCarran Blvd Phone: 773-823-8871

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#### 20. SEVERABILITY:

If for any reason, any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be uncertorecable, it shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of the Agreement.

Waiver by our party of the performance of very convenient, condition or promise shall not invalidate this Acronment, nor shall it be considered to be a waiver by mich party of any other covernat, condition or promise harmander.

#### 21. COVERNING LAW:

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Nevada.

#### 21. NO ONE DESIMILE DRAFTER:

Buyer and Selbs horeby agree that norther Buyer, Soller nor Agree(c) shall be decored to be the drafter of this Agreement and that in the event this Agreement in ever constituted by a court of law, such court shall not construe this Agreement or any provision bereof agreement either Buyer, Soller or Agree(s) as the derifter bereof. Buyer and Soller levely works may and all rights to claims agrainent the other purry and Agree(s) relating in any way to the foregoing matter.

#### 13. COUNTERPARTS:

The parties may except the Agreement, any and all addonds standard herero, and any and all future modifications of first Agreement in two or more community which shall, in the aggregate, be signed by all the parties; each counterpart shall be deemed an oriented instrument as against any party who has signed it, all of which together will constitute but one manufacture.

#### 14 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AGRICUMENT:

The carliest data by which both Buyer and Seller have fully operated this Agreement shell be the "Reflective Date of this Agreement". At the top of this Agreement is the "Written Date" which is used for reference purposes only.

### 25 AUTHORITY OF INDIVIDUALS SIGNING ON BEHALF OF ENTITY:

Parts preven signing this Agroumous on behalf of an ordity constituting either party warrants that (a) he or also is the high surfrorted to sign and deliver this Agroument on helialf of the ceity, in accordance with a duly adopted revolution of the board of directors or the bylaws of the corporation in the case of a partnership or accordance with the Agroument of Partnership or resolution pursuant thereto in the case of a partnership, or in accordance with the trust agroument in the case of a trust, nod (b) this Agroument in binding upon the corporation, partnership or trust in accordance with its terms. Such arisity shall be duly and properly organized to transact husiness in the State of Ne-ade. This Agroument shall continue and be binding on the heirs, successors, and arsigns of the parties between

#### 24. EXHIBITS AND ADDENDUM:

All attracted exhibits, and addonken referred to in this Agreement are a part of this Agreement

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#### 27. DUSINESS DAYS:

If the (a) stated Closing there or (b) has day for performance of an act falls upon a day during which normal brainness a not performed, then the Closing date or 2000 has sky, or the case may be, will be the next following regular business day.

#### 28. LAND USA RESTRICTIONS:

Buyer shall setted blanced through source of information, other than the principals or real setter brokers or subspirition, whether any public or private in the form of a vote, institutive, references in this transaction, whether any public or private in the form of a vote, institutive, references, low, or other measure presently to force or consemplated by a governing or other horly may hak seniorly or otherwise nestrict Buyer's use of the subject property for improvements or other may and Buyer private between the has not relied on any solvice or representations by the prancipular or real actuals representations in this transaction for such independent automation to any extensi

### 29. VIRIFICATION OF INFORMATION:

Any square footupe, lend or improvements, is approximate and acidic Scilic nor Broke guarantee in accuracy. Any onal or written representations by Sefler or Broker reporting age of improvement, rise, sed equare formings of period or building, or location of property lives, may not be accounte. Apparent boundary line indicators such as flores hedges, walls, or other burriers may not appropose the true boundary lieses. Broker/access dogs next normanistry investigate the status of permits, zoning or rede compliance. Buyer is to successy himself occording this influentics if any of their issues are important or a critical element of the purchase decision. Duyor acknowledges that he has not received or relief upon any representations by either the Broker or the Seller with suspect to the condition of the property which are not combined in this Africances or in any attachments. Although deemed accounts, the information compliand in the Mulciple Leading Service book, computes or advertisements, and feature sheets pertaining to this property are not evariases or guaranteed by the listing or nothing office. Errors and/or ornications in inputting information, while necessaries, are possible. Buyer shell be responsible for verifying the accounty of partitions information, deposit of all funds according to close into encrow shall be destruct an first acceptance of the property. Seller agrees to hold all Brokers and Lineasco is the transaction battribus and to defend and indurantly them from any claim, demand, action or proceedings resulting from any outsierion or allayed orresmon by Sellor in his seasonersta.

### 30. ATTORNEYS PIES:

If this Agreement gives rise to any integration, arbitration, or other legal proceeding between any of the parties between horses, including Agren(s), the prevailing party shall be excitled to recover its access costs of arbitration, and resonable attentions feet, in addition to any other relief to which cach party may be entitled. The undersigned province agree to hold Broker, Metrium Johnson Group, and Broker is Agree, Richard K. Johnson harraless from and against any and all damages, costs and excesses, including attentorys feet, arrising from any disputes between Parter moder. Seller and/or Agree under this Agreement, onless Agree to determined by a court of componer, jurisdiction to be fraudulest in connection with any such chain or draine.

### 31. ACCESS TO PROPERTY:

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loss, chairs, Nahillry, or expense, including (without limitation) reasonable attorneys' fites and costs, arising out of or in arrovation with its activation (including, without limitation, Buyer's agents and employees, and independent commercial retained by or acting on hehalf of Buyer (collectively, "Buyer's Agents") on the Property. Buyer shall have no liability to Salier fit any lies, loss claim, diministry in value, liability or expense; incurred by Sellor arising out of discovery by Buyer or Duyer's Agents of any hexardous materials or tente substances as defined in applicable status or fittenal law, on or about the Property, so long as the activities of Buyer and Buyer's Agents on the Property are performed with the diligence in accordance with the industry standards fits such activities and harther providing that neither Buyer or Buyer's Agents' is activity orgalignat in the performance of ruck activities.

#### IL PRETAYMENT:

. Seller will pay any propayorus charge imposed on any existing Seller's loss paid off at close of excrete.

### 33. DITE ON SALE CLAUSE:

If the note and deed of trust or mortgage for any existing loss contrine an acceleration or DUE ON SALE CLAUSE, the lender may demand full payment of the coine loss helmon as a result of this transaction. Both percess acknowledge that they are not relying on any representation by the other party or the Broker with respect to the enforceshilty of such a provision in existing actes and deeds of trust or mortgages, or deads of trust or mortgages, to be requested in accordance with this Agrimment. Both parties have been advised by the Rinker to seek independent legal advise with respect to them present.

#### M REAL ESTATE PROKERS AND PIES:

Per the terms and conditions as immined maker Acceptance below, Dayer and Seller horsin agree that Seller shall pay the commission(s) through Cleas of Frorom, to Meeting Johnson Group. Broker (
Richard K. Jahnson Agent) of the Seller, and NONE Broker (NONE Agent) of the Seller.

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It is agreed by Buyer, Solor and Excrow Hokker that Broker(s) is/are a third party boconflotary of this Agreement insolar as the Broker's fix is concerned, and that so change that he shall be made by Buyer, Solor or Excrow Holder with respect to the time of payment, amount of payment, or the Broker's the specified in this Agreement, without the written occases of Broker(s).

Buyer and Soller each represent and warrant to the other that be/abn/st has had no dealings with any person, farm, broles or fander to connective with the negotiations of this Agreement motion the orangementation of the purchase and sak contemplated herein, other than the Broker(s) manned herein, and no broker or other person, firm or cettry, other than said Broker(s) fast settled to any oversenission or funder's fee in connections with this transaction as the result of any develope on one of such Party. Buyer and Sulke do such hereby agree to indemnify, deskad, protect and hold the other harmless from end against any core, supenses or liability for compression, commission or charges which may be claimed by any broker, finder or similar party, other than said samed Broker(s) by transact of any dealings or act of the indemnifying Party.

35. VESTED TITLE: The Seller tearments and represents that they have title to the Property and the right and authority to transfer the mane to five Boyet. The manner of taking title now have algorithms to concentrate as Depart should often source kees his legal or tax connect approximate this notice. Take shall went as

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### 37. DEFERRED AGRICULTURAL TAX:

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#### 18. EXISTING CONDITION:

Buyer bureby acknowledge that, anopt as otherwise rand in this Agrosment. Puyer is purchasing the Property in its subting condition and will, by the time called for burin, reads or have walved all inspections of the Property that Buyer believes are necessary to protect its one interest in and its contemplated use of the Property. The Parties administed that except as otherwise stand in this Agreement, no representations, indiscensents, promises, agreement, assurances, and or written resocuting the Property, or any aspect of the Occupational Softry and Health Act, hazardous substance laws or any other act, ordinance of law, have been made by either Party or Broken, or relied upon by other Party bereto.

# 39. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A Subject to the Terms and Conditions of this agronomy, the Seller Iscreby grades to Broyer, as irrevocable, archesive right to purchase the Property cornisting of the purcos(s) of land along with all buildings and structures (IF ANY), essentions and rights appartment (architecture, without institutions, all development rights, all princers, oil, gos, and other hydrocarbon subctaneous on or tended the land, air rights, water wights (if may). Soller shall not sollicite or accept any other offices during the terms of this Agreement.
- B. To the best of Seller's languagethe but property is not in violation of any federal, state, or local law-endianace or regulation relative to included large-end to the environmental conditions on under or about the property including, but not limited to, will and groundwater condition.
- C. All coverants, representations and warrants made by Sellar and Duyer to and for the branchs of each other, except and only those related to close of secrees shall survive the close of coorne.
- D. Purchasor has and will inspect the Property and be fluoroughly equinized with its condition.

  Except as expressly stated herein, Purchase agrees to purchase the Property & AS-15, WHERE
  US, IN CURRENT CONDITION WITH ALL FAULTS.
- E. Player shall have a due dillysmore period of thirty 120 days from thre of acceptance of this agreement by both Puyer and Seller, within which to at Boyer's expense, do any and all haperdisons and reports Buyer deems necessary such as but not kimited to; availability and suitability of utilities, geological reports, well reports, accurate, flood soners, master plans, floor

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and costs of cellula and mails improvements, building requirements, conditions and requirements affecting the development of said property for Boyer' introded use, inspect the requirements of surveys and soil tests, analyze information pertaining to readways. Duyer thall indominify soiler for all such work performed. If upon magnitudes and invertigation of the matters above, Boyer determines that the property is unsurtable. For Buyer's proposed use and/or future use of the property. Buyer say at any time within the dec difference period elect to terminate this agreement by giving Soller written notice of insention to do so, and receive to terminate this agreement by giving Soller written notice of insention to do so, and receive to the formation that refused deposits not already dispersed, and the seriow company shall release said deposit without any further approval or instruction from Soller. Seller shall furnish to Boyer copies of all tests, investigations, surveys, studies, and other reports it has or has soccess to in reference to sold lot. Buyer will be responsible for the reportrictoration or any developerty that sury be caused by subject inspections und/or tests.

This agreement is conditioned open Buyer's completion of Investigation(s), investigation(s), and/or terr(s) and Doyer's approval of items as checked below within the above stated period:

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	In the event the Buyer should fail to complete any inspection, invotigation, and/or tox within the time provided, and/or scores shall have closed without any of three having occurred, the Buyer shall be decread to have waived the Seller's and broker's tinhilty for the result: thus such could have reasonably provided had they been conducted, except where provided by law.
7.	This caffer is conditioned upon fluyer, at Shiyes's Scho's capanes, obtaining the fellowing governmental approvals within 270 days of acceptance of this agreement, as may be corrected pursuant to Paragraph 1.2 above:  Systemate Special Use Permit Paragraph Special Use Permit Paragraph Map  Special Use Permit Provide Special Use Change & Lond Use Designations  COulder architectural and distinguisher and against and distinguishers.
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H	It is agreed to and understood this as part of the purchase price of the property, the Buyer shall deliver to Selber one of the postheroses, of approximately 3,500 square fort, in the new condominium project, subject to the following terror and conditions. Buyer shall provide Selber with detailed floor plans of each personner, and the listing price for each personner, as
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which three Sciller shall have thirty (30) days to choose the posthouse to be transferred to Seller. Seller shall receive credit in the amount of (\$2,200,000) Two Million, Two Ibundred Thousand Dollers ("Pembouse Credit") toward the Jiering price of the pembouse so chosen. in the event the haring price of the porthouse so chosen is more than the Porthouse Credit, Soiler shall pay the difference in cash at the time of the transfer. In the event the pershouse so chosen is loss than the Ponthouse Credit. Buyer shall reimburse Sellar the difference at the time of transfer. Buyer and Sciller shall also agree, on or bedder the close of oursew and as a oractions thereof, upone specific language and form of legal documentation of the right to reoctive tech constanting unit, which shall be free of all lient and excumination must, which shall be free of all lient and excumination except touch paid current autosemonts and C.C. & R's uniformly applicable to such building and and.

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- I. The Soller warrants that there are no leases or other contractual use agreements on said
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- K. All deposits, upon receipt, shall become immediately non-refundable and fully disbarred.
- L. Soller's property adjoining the property bonne is known as 260 libert St (APN 011-112-02. Soller agrees to a deed restriction that the height of this property will sever exceed its current height. Buyer agrees to provide at an cost to Saller, parking opener within their development, as required by thee governing codes, for luture use of this building Seller agrees to provide liability insurance for mid parting area and will provide parking attendant(s) as required, at no cost to the buyer. Au acumaning 1/2
- 40. MEDIATION OF DISPUTES: He dispute stricts out of or relates to this Agreement, or its

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# 41. ARRITRATION OF DISPUTES:

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Any dispute or claims he law or negative arising our of this Approcracus will be decided by neutral binding arbitration in accordance with preventing law and applicable court refer. Judgment upon the award randored by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The parties will

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The fitthming methors are excluded from arbitration: (a) a judicial or non-judicial formologues of other action or presenting to enforce a doud of trust or readure; (b) an arbitrafial detainer aerdon; (c) the filing or outbrecement of a mechanic's lion; (d) may notice which is within the jurisdiction of a problem court, or small claims court or (c) an aerican for bookly injury or wrongful death. The filing of a judicial action to comble the recording of a notice of pouding action, for order of attachment, actions in a junction, or other provisional remodies, will not constitute a waiver of the right to arbitrario under this provision.

NOTICE: By initialing in the "agree" space below you are agreeing to have any dispute assistant out of the motives included in this "Arbitration of Disputes" provision decided by neutral arbitration, and you are giving up any rights you suight possess to have the dispute literated in a commod your ball. By instituting in the "agree" space below you are giving up your judicial rights to appeal. If you refuse to submit to arbitration after agreeing to this prevision, you may be compelled to arbitrate needer risk law. Your agreement to this as bibration provision is relevable.

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44. CODE OF FIRICS:
Not all real octate homores are REALTORS. A REALTOR is a member of the National Association of REALTORS and therefore subscribes to a higher ethical standard is the industry, the KRALTOR Code of Ethics. To receive a copy of the REALTOR Code of Ethics, ask your real entire professional, the Reso/Spanks Association of REALTURS, or go to www.rear.net.

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This document has been prepared for your advisors review and for your approval. Agont makes no representation or recommendation as to the legal audicioner or to consequences of this document or the transaction to which is robites. These we questions for your amounts and financial advisor. In any real cases transaction, it is recommended that you consult with a professional, such as a civil conjunct, industrial hypomics, or other parron with experience in evaluating the condition of and Property.

44. BROKER(3) AND AGENT(3) DISCLAIMER:
Buyer and Seller acknowledges that except as otherwise expressly mased herein, Broker(a) and Agent(a) have not made any warranty or representation with respect to any of the following: (a) he legality of the present or any possible future use of the Property under any redeath, taking or local law, (b) pending or possible future action by any poveramental entity or agency which may affect the Property. (c) the physical conductor of the Property in their soll responsibility and that Property is their action for the Property there are responsible to the Property that the physical property is the property of the

47, FAX TRANSMOSSION: The facsimile transmission of a signed copy hereof or any counter offer/amendment to the other party or thair licenses shall constitute delivery of said signed document. Facsimile signature may be accepted as original.

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p/s % of the accepted price of \$ p/s to a/g, the Selling Broker, irrespective of the agency relaxionalistic Excress manusches with respect to commissions may not be amended or revoked without the written consent of the Brokes herein Commissions shall also be payable upon my default by Seller, or the mutual rescission (not covered by this

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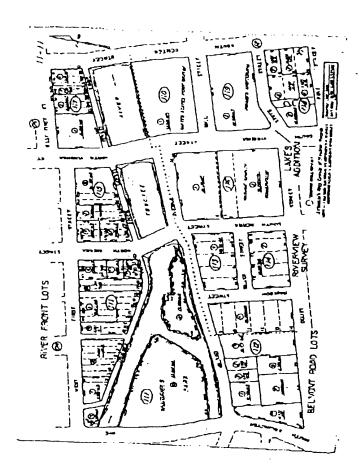
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### 39. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

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# ADDENDUM NO. 2

Date Prepared: August 2, 2005

Property address <u>APN: 011-112-06, 011-112-07, 011-112-12, 011-112-03</u>
In reference to the LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT made by <u>CONSOLIDATED</u>

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Sonnia Trust, Seller, Date Prepared <u>7/29/2005</u> and the ADDENDUM NO. 1 Date

Prepared <u>8/1/2005</u> the Buyer and Seller bereby agrees as follows:

The purchase/sale of the said property is hereby in force and obligated by both parties. The terms and conditions of these two documents are accepted by the parties signed below conditioned upon the agreement that:

Both parties agree that the Land Purchase Agreement needs to be fine tuned as to the specifics of the intended agreement before its finalization, and that legal clarification and documentation to achieve the full intent of both parties is spelled out. This shall be accomplished as soon as possible within the time constraints of the Buyer, Seller, and legal counsel of both parties.

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### Addendum No. 3

This Addendum No. 3 ("Third Addendum") is made by and between Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation, ("Buyer"), and John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Santee Iliescu, individually and as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Somia lliescu 1992 Family Trust (collectively "Sciller"), to amend and modify that certain Land Purchase Agreement dated July 29, 2005 ("Land Purchase Agreement"), together with Addendum No. 1 dated August 1, 2005 ("First Addendum"), and Addendum No. 2 dated August 2, 2005 ("Second Addendum"), for the sale and purchase of that certain real property located in the City of Remo, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, identified as APNs 011-112-05, 06, 07 and 12 and more particularly described in the Title Report (defined below). The Land Purchase Agreement, the First Addendum and the Second Addendum are collectively referred to herein as the "Agreement". Seller and Buyer hereby amend the Agreement as set forth below.

Paragraph 1.2 of the Land Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated as follows:

#### Additional Cash Deposit: 1.2

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The deposit described in Paragraph 1.1 hereof shall be increased in the form of cash or cashier's check to be deposited with escrow holder for immediate disbursement to the Seller and Seller's agent proportionately, as follows.

an additional \$75,000.00 within 30 days from August 3, 2005; an additional \$100,000.00 within 90 days from August 3, 2005; an additional \$100,000.00 within 150 days from August 3, 2005; an additional \$100,000.00 within 210 days from August 3, 2005; and

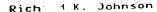
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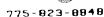
Provided that Buyer has exercised reasonable diligence in obtaining the Governmental Approvals (defined in Paragraph 6 of this Third Addendum) and through no fault of Buyer, Buyer is unable to obtain all Governmental Approvals within 270 days from August 3, 2005, then Seller agrees to extend the date for close of escrow (as set forth in Section 4 hereof); provided, that, Buyer so notifies Seller in writing prior to the date or extended date for close of escrow, each such extension period shall not exceed 30 days, Buyer shall not request more than six (6) extensions, and each request for an extension shall be accompanied by an extension deposit of \$50,000.00 in animediately available funds. All deposits described in Section 1.1 and 1.2 hereof are collectively referred to as the "Deposit". The Deposit shall be non-refundable and shall be credited to the purchase price for the Property upon close of escrow. Buyer shall have a 15 day grace period to pay any of the aforesaid Deposits.

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The first paragraph under Section 5 of the Land Purchase Agreement is hereby 2. amended and restated as follows:

On the date of closing, Title Company shall issue a CLTA or an ALTA policy of title insurance as determined by Buyer, which may include appropriate endorsements as desired by Buyer and to be paid by Buyer, insuring Buyer's title in the Property in an amount equal to the purchase price for the Property. Said title policy shall insure that Buyer has good and marketable title to the Property, subject only to the Permitted Exceptions. As used herein, "Permitted Exceptions" shall mean the standard form printed title exceptions of the form of policy chosen by Buyer and the following Schedule B exceptions shown on the Preliminary Report ("Title Report") of First Centennial Title Company of Nevada ("Title Company") No. 145279-MI, dated as of July 13, 2005, a copy of which is attached bereto as Exhibit "A": Item Nos. 1 through 6, inclusive (showing none due or payable) and 7 through 13, inclusive, any encumbrances to be created pursuant to this Agreement and any encumbrances created by Buyer's inability to obtain any title policy endorsements requested by Buyer shall not affect Buyer's obligation to close escrow.

The following sentence of Paragraph 6.21 (Additional Inspections) of the Land Purchase Agreement is bereby deleted:

However, if repair expenses are considered excessive by Buyer, then Buyer may terminate this agreement at Buyer's discretion unless Seller agrees to repair at Seller's expense by written addendum.

Paragraph 12 (Encumbrances) of the Land Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated as follows:

Buyer shall take title to the property, subject to the Permitted Exceptions.

Paragraph 31 is hereby amended to add the following paragraph:

Buyer agrees to keep the Property free from all liens and to indemnify, defend and bold harmless Seller, and its successors and assigns, from and against any and all claims, actions, losses, liabilities, damages, costs and expenses (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees, charges and disbursements) incurred, suffered by, or claimed against Seller by reason of any work performed with respect to the Property at the instance or request of Buyer or any damage to the Property or injury to persons caused by Buyer and/or its agents, employees or contractors arising out of or in any way connected with their entry upon the Property and/or the performance of any inspections, tests or other activities thereon. Buyer's obligations under this paragraph shall survive the Closing or termination of the Agreement

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Paragraph 36 is hereby amended to add the following:

As used in this paragraph "Existing Impact Fees" shall not include any impact fees which result from the Project.

Paragraph 39(F) is hereby amended and restated as follows: 7.

This offer is conditioned upon, as conditions precedent ("Conditions Precedent"), Buyer obtaining, at Buyer's expense, all necessary approvals ("Governmental Approvals") for the construction of a mixed use residential and commercial high rise condominium project on the Property approximately 28 stories in height (the "Project") within 270 days after August 3, 2005, as such time period may be extended pursuant to Paragraph 1.2 above, including, but not limited to:

- Any required height, setback or other variances; (1)
- Any required special use permit, (2)
- Any required zoning or land use designation changes; (3)
- Any required master plan amendment,
- An approved tentative condominium map for the Project, and (4) (5)
- Any required design approvals. (6)

In addition, Buyer shall obtain, at Buyer's sole cost and expense, all approvals for the Boundary Line Adjustment (as defined in Paragraph 8 of this Third Addendum).

Buyer shall use its best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent described in this Paragraph 39(F) prior to close of escrow.

Paragraph 39(H) as amended by Addendum No. 1 is hereby amended and fully 8. restated as follows:

The Project will include a number of condominium penthouses located on the upper floors of the Project. It is agreed and understood that as part of the purchase price of the Property, the Seller shall have the first right to select a penthouse condominium unit from all penthouse condominium units to be constructed on the Property and Seller shall receive a credit of \$2,200,000.00, of Actual Hard Costs, toward the purchase and ownership of all right, title and interest in one of the penthouses ("Seller's Penthouse Unit") which shall be 3,750± square feet in size with a minimum ceiling height throughout of nine feet (9'), together with (a) an exclusive easement to four (4) parking spaces of Seller's choice within the parking garage of the Project, which parking spaces shall be limited common elements appurtenant to Seller's Penthouse Unit and which shall be maintained by the owner of the Property, the operator of the parking garage, if any, or the homeowners association to be formed for the Project ("Association") in the same manner that other parking spaces are maintained, and (b) an exclusive easement to an enclosed unfinished storage space within the Project having a floor

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- When the Project has progressed to a point where the architect is designing the preliminary floor plans for the penthouses, Seller shall meet with the architect and participate in the selection and design of Seller's Penthouse Unit. Seller's Penthouse Unit shall meet the specifications set forth in the preceding paragraph and Seller shall be entitled to choose the location, floor plan and overall design of the Seller's Penthouse Unit and the amenities which Seller desires be added to the basic unit plans. Seller shall be entitled to select the finish improvements to Seller's Penthouse Unit. From the time the preliminary plans have been reviewed by Seller, Seller shall have thirty (30) days to choose Seller's Penthouse Unit. Seller shall be entitled to review and approve the final building plans for Seller's Penthouse Unit prior to submittal of such plans to the City of Reno Building Department, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Seller shall provide Buyer with any changes to the final plans within ten (10) business days after receiving the same, and Buyer shall make reasonable efforts to accommodate Seller's changes. In the event Buyer does not receive Seller's changes to the final plans within such ten (10) business day period, then Sciller shall be deemed to have approved the same.
  - Within thirty (30) days after Seller's approval or deemed approval of the final plans for Seller's Penthouse Unit, Buyer shall provide Seller with an estimated statement of the estimated hard costs related to the construction of Seller's Penthouse Unit, which statement shall be updated from time to time as construction progresses to reflect the Actual Hard Costs. "Actual Hard Costs" shall mean Buyer's actual out-of-pocket costs for labor, materials and other tangible items to be installed in or on Seller's Penthouse Unit and the limited common elements appurtenant to Seller's Penthouse Unit, together with a pro rata share of costs incurred by Buyer for construction of the common elements of the Project (excluding Seller's limited common elements), which pro rata share shall be equal to Seller's undivided interest in the common elements of the Project ("Seller's Pro Rata Share"). "Actual Hard Costs" shall also include Seller's Pro Rata Share of the following out-of-pocket costs: reasonable fees paid to architects, engineers, appraisers, real estate taxes and insurance. "Reasonable fees" shall mean the fees generally charged for similar services in the community. In the event Seller submits any written change orders to the final plans which increase the cost of construction as estimated on the original statement, then "Actual Hard Costs" shall include such increased costs. Upon written request, Buyer shall provide Seller a written itemization and receipts for all Actual Hard

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Costs. The cumulative total of the Actual Hard Costs shall be the purchase price for Seller's Penthouse Unit ("Penthouse Purchase Price").

- Close of escrow for Seller's Penthouse Unit shall occur, at Seller's election, (i) within five (5) business days after the date Seller is notified in writing that a certificate of occupancy is issued for Seller's Penthouse Unit or (ii) on such earlier date which Seller may elect in writing. In the event the Penthouse Purchase Price exceeds \$2,200,000.00, Seller shall pay the difference between the Penthouse Purchase Price and \$2,200,000.00 in full at the close of the escrow transferring Seller's Penthouse Unit to Seller. In the event the Penthouse Purchase Price is less than \$2,200,000.00, then Buyer shall pay Seller the difference between \$2,200,000.00 and the Penthouse Purchase Price at the close of such escrow. The closing costs for Seller's Penthouse Unit shall be paid by Seller and Buyer as follows: Buyer shall pay any real estate broker's commission owed to any real estate broker which Buyer has engaged. Buyer shall pay for the cost of a CLTA title insurance policy and one-half (1/2) of the real property transfer tax. Seller shall pay any real estate broker's commission owed to any real estate broker which Seller has engaged. Seller shall pay one-half (%) of the real property transfer tax and the additional cost of any ALTA policy and any title endorsements requested by Seller. Buyer and Seller shall each pay one-balf (1/2) of the remaining costs and fees of the escrow related to the transfer of Seller's Penthouse Unit.
- (4) As soon as practicable after determination of which unit is Seller's Penthouse Unit, and in any event prior to the close of escrow on Seller's Penthouse Unit, Seller shall choose which four (4) parking spaces shall be designated for Seller's Penthouse Unit. Seller and Buyer shall mutually determine the location of Seller's Storage Unit which Storage Unit shall be constructed by the date of the close of escrow on Seller's Penthouse Unit.
- (5) Seller shall acquire its right, title and interest in Seller's Penthouse Unit, together with the four (4) parking spaces and the Storage Unit by grant bargain and sale deed (the "Deed"), and title thereto shall be free of all liens and encumbrances, except taxes paid current, the Permitted Exceptions (excluding monetary encumbrances created by Buyer) and the Declaration. To ensure that Seller receives either (a) title to Seller's Penthouse Unit within three (3) years after the close of escrow for the Property, or (b) if the Project and Seller's Penthouse Unit is not constructed within three (3) years after close of such escrow, \$3,000,000.000 in eash, Buyer agrees as follows:
- (a) Concurrently with the close of escrow for the Property, a Memorandum of Agreement, in a form acceptable to Seller, shall be recorded memorializing of record Seller's right to Seller's Penthouse Unit on the Property; and

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(b) Buyer shall post a bond in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 wherein Seller is the obligee insuring either (i) the lien-free completion of Seller's Penthouse Unit within three (3) years after close of the escrow for the Property or (ii) in the alternative, the payment to Seller of the cash sum of \$3,000,000.00 on the date which is three (3) years after close of such escrow.

Seller may extend the date for completion of Seller's Penthouse Unit, in Seller's sole discretion, from time to time.

9. Paragraph 39(I) as amended by Addendum No. 1 is hereby amended and fully restated as follows:

Seller owns the adjoining parcel commonly known as 260 Island Avenue, Reno, Nevada ("Island Property"). Seller intends, but shall not be obligated, to convert the building located on the Island Property into a restaurant/bar business or, in the event a restaurant/bar business is not permitted by city, county or state regulations or is not feasible in Seller's sole judgment, then Seller may convert the Island Property to another use of Seller's choice ("Seller's Business"). Buyer and Seller each agree to the following terms and conditions related to the Island Property:

- (1) Scller agrees to place a deed restriction on the Island Property at close of escrow, providing that Scller shall not, in any way, construct any structure or add to the existing structure to increase the existing height of the building located on the Island Property, which is \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) feet above street level and shall further not install any equipment or items which exceed fifteen feet (15') above the current height of the existing building located on the Island Property. Such deed restriction shall terminate by its terms if construction of the Project is not commenced on the Property within one (1) year after close of escrow for the Property.
- approvals necessary for a boundary line adjustment ("Boundary Line Adjustment") which will add to the Island Property a strip of land along the entire east boundary of the Island Property which strip shall be ten feet (10") in width or wider if required to meet additional city, county, state or other governmental requirements for the conversion of the existing building on the Island Property, as provided above. The Boundary Line Adjustment shall be recorded at close of escrow.
- (3) At close of escrow for the Property, Seller shall reserve in the Deed conveying title to the Property a perpetual exclusive easement for fifty-one (51) contiguous full size parking spaces (as required by the applicable parking ordinance), including required ADA spaces ("Island Property Parking Spaces") on the Property, which Island Property Parking Spaces shall be appurtenant to, and for the benefit of, the Island Property. The Island Property Parking Spaces shall be located within the parking garage of the Project on the ground level (Island

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Avenue street level) convenient to Seller's Business with signage indicating that such spaces are for the exclusive use of the Island Property, including, but not limited to, the owner, the operator, the business invitees and guests of the Island Property. Buyer shall further provide Seller a non-exclusive ingress and egress casement to the Island Property Parking Spaces providing access from Island Avenue, and a reasonable pedestrian ingress and egress access easement from the Island Property Parking Spaces to the Island Property, in a location to be mutually agreed upon by Seller and Buyer, which is convenient to the Seller's Business. Seller and Buyer shall reasonably cooperate to design such parking entrance to discourage unauthorized parking. The reservation in the Deed for the Island Property Parking Spaces shall include a provision that in the event the Project is not built, Seller shall nevertheless be entitled to a perpetual exclusive easement for the Island Property Parking Spaces on the Property (contiguous to the Island Property) for the benefit of the Island Property, together with vehicular and pedestrian access easements at locations to be selected by Seller.

- During such time as the Island Property Parking Spaces are used for the benefit of the Island Property, Seller, and any successor owners of the Island Property agree to maintain, at their sole cost and expense, liability insurance for the Island Property Parking Spaces in the initial amount of \$1,000,000.00 per person and \$3,000,000.00 per occurrence, as may be determined by Seller or its successors using prudent business judgment, which insurance shall be issued by an insurance company licensed to issue insurance in the State of Nevada, subject to Buyer's approval, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Seller further agrees to keep the Island Property Parking Spaces in a clean and orderly condition. At the sole discretion of Seller, Seller may provide a parking attendant and/or parking valet, at Seller's sole cost and expense. Except as otherwise provided herein, all costs of repair and maintenance of the Island Property Parking Spaces shall be borne by the owner of the Property, the operator of the parking garage, if any, or the Association, and the Declaration shall provide for the maintenance of the Island Property Parking Spaces to the same standard as the other parking spaces within the Project.
- Paragraph 39 (J) is hereby amended to add the following sentence: 10.

All signs which Buyer places on the Property shall comply with all applicable sign ordinances.

The following paragraphs are hereby added to the Agreement 11.

#### Miscellaneous. 48.

All of Seller's representations, warranties and covenants set forth in the Agreement which are made to "Seller's knowledge" or "Seller's actual knowledge" are made without any duty of inquiry or investigation on the part of Seller.

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- Time is of the essence of this Agreement.
- Buyer shall not assign this Agreement without Seller's prior written (b) consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Notwithstanding the forgoing, Buyer shall be entitled to assign this Agreement to an entity in which Buyer owns no less than thirty-three and one-third percent (33,33%) of the ownership interests, without Seller's consent.

Except as modified herein, all other terms and conditions of the Land Purchase Agreement are hereby ratified and affirmed.

This Addendum No. 3 is dated this 8 day of October, 2005.

Selber:

Sonnia Santee lhescu

John Diescu Jr., as Trustee of the John Diescu Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust

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Buyer:

Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation

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Exhibit "A"
Preliminary Title Report

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# First American Title Insurance Company

Today's Date: August 18, 2005

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# PRELIMINARY REPORT

PROPOSED BUYER

Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

APN 011-112-03, 06, 07 and 12,

Reso, NV

Metaker Johnson Group Richard K. Johnson 6490 S. McCorrna Boulevard Spite 10 Read, NV 89509

Escrow Officer. Maryann Infantine

Our No.: 145279-MI

The information contained in this report is through the date of July 13, 2005 at 7:30 A.M.

la response to the above referenced application for a policy of title insurance, First Centennial Tetle Company of Neroda, loc. hereby reports that it is prepared to issue, or cause to be issued, as of the date hereof, a California Land Title Association Standard Coverage Policy of Title Insurance describing the land and the estate or interest therein set forth, insuring against loss which may be sustained by reason of any defect, lies or encumbrance not abown or referred to as an Exception below or not excluded from coverage pursuant to the printed Schedules, Conditions and Stipulations of said Policy form

This report (and any supplements or amendmicula thereof) is issued solely for the purpose of facilitating the issuance of a policy of title insurance and no liability is assumed hereby.

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# SCHEDULE A

The estate or interest in the land hereinafter described or referred to covered by this report is:

Fee Simple

Title to said estate or interest at the date hereof is rested in:

Sonnia Sautee Biescu, John Iliescu, John Iliescu Jr. and John Biescu Jr. and Sonnia Biescu as Trustees of the John Riescu Jr. and Sonnia Bescu 1992 Family Trost all as their interests appear of record

The land referred to in this Report is sitted in the State of NEVADA, County of Washoe

See Exhibit "A" Attached Bereto And Made A Part Hercof

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### SCHEDULE B

At the date hereof Exceptions to coverage in addition to the printed exceptions and exclusions in said policy form would be as follows:

1. General and Special Taxes for the fiscal year, 2005-2006, including any socured personal property laxes, a lien due and payable.

Total Amount:

\$1,501.77

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\$376.77, Unpaid

Said Installment becomes delinquent August 26, 2005.

The Second, Third and Fourth Installments: 5375.00, each. Unpaid Note: The second, third and fourth installments will become delinquent if not paid on or before the first Monday in October, 2005, and January and March, 2006, respectively.

2. General and Special Taxes for the fiscal year, 2005-2005, including any secured personal property exect, a lien due and payable.

Total Amount:

\$2,010.02

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First Installment: Said Installment becomes delinquent August 26, 2005.

The Second, Third and Fourth Installments: \$502.00, each, Unpaid

Note: The second, third and fourth installments will become delinquent if not paid on or before the first Monday in October, 2005, and January and March, 2006, respectively.

3. General and Special Taxes for the fiscal year, 2005-2006, including any secured personal property taxes, a lien due and payable.

Total Amount

\$3,541.47

\$886.47, Umpaid

First Installment: Said Installment becomes delinquent August 26, 2005.

The Second, Third grad Fourth Installments: \$385.00, each. Unpaid

Note: The second, third and fourth installments will become delinquent if not paid on or before the first Monday in October, 2005, and January and March, 2006, respectively.

4. General and Special Taxes for the fiscal year, 2005-2006, including any secured personal property taxes, a lien due and payable 54,984.02

Total Amount

First Installment:

\$1,276.02. Unpaid

Sand Installment becomes delinquent August 26, 2005.

The Second, Third and Fourth Installments: \$1,236.00, each. Unpaid

Note: The second, third and fourth installments will become delinquent if not paid on or before the first Monday in October, 2005, and January and March, 2006, respectively.

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#### SCHEDULE B (Continued)

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- 5. Any additional tax that may be levied against said land due to the supplemental tax roll, by reason of a change in ownership or completion of new construction thereon.
- 6. Liens for delinquent sewage charges, if it be determined that the same has anached to said premises, pursuant to Ordinance No. 51096, amending Section 9, Article XIV of the Reno
- 7. Any facts, rights, interests, easements, encroachments or claims which a correct survey would
- 3. Easements for any and all ditches, pipe and pipe lines, conduits, transmission lines, poles. roads, trails, and sences on or traversing said land which would be disclused and located by
- 9). Terms and conditions as contained in an agreement for an open driveway, recorded May 29. 1926, in Book I, Page 97, no Document No. 37015, Bonds and Agreements. AFFECTS PARCEL 1
- 10. An exclusive easement for the installation, maintenance and use of street light poles and incidental purposes as granted to CITY OF RENO, a Nevada municipal corporation, by instrument recorded September 16, 1992, in Book 3566, Page 281, as Document No. 1605637, Official Records, located along a portion of the Northerly and Ensterly boundaries of said land. AFFECTS PARCELS 1 & 4
- 11. The terms, covenants, conditions and provisions as contained in an instrument, entitled "An ordinance of the City council of The City of Reno Amending Oridinance No. 4041, as amended, to extend the duration of the redevelopment plan for the downtown redevelopment area, and providing for other matters relating thereto," recorded July 8, 2005, as Documera No. 3242447, of Official Records.
- 12 Except all water, claims or rights to water, in or under said land.
- 13. Any rights, interest or claims of parties in possession of the land not disclosed by the public records.
- 14. Prior to the close of escrow this office will require: a. A Copy of the Trust Agreement, or a Notanzed Certificate of Trust, for the trust set forth in the vesting berein.

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All that certain real property situate in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of NEVADA. described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the East line of Flint Street (if said Flint Street were protracted Northerty) with the North line of Court Street, in the City of Ress, Nevada; thence Easterly slong the North line of Court Street 125 feet, more or less, to the Westerly line of what is known as and called "The Gregory" property; thence at an angle of 89°58. Northerly 148 feet to the Northwesterly corner of the aforesaid "Gregory" property; thence Easterly along the Northerly line of the said "Gregory," property a distance of 25 feet, said last point being the place of beglaning; thence at an angle of 90°5' Easterly a distance of 50 feet; thence at a right angle Northerly a distance of 136 feet, more or less, to the South bank of the South channel of the Truckee River, thence Westerly along the South bank of said Truckee River to a point on a line drawn Northerly and parallel with the Easterly line of said property from the point of beginning; thence Southerly and parallel with the said Easterly line of said property to the point of beginning.

SAVING AND EXCEPTING, however, from the above described premises, all that portion thereol conveyed by Antonio Rebori and Charlotta Rebori, his wife, to the City of Reno, a municipal corporation, by deed dated February 16, 1922, and recorded in Book 59 of Deeds, Page 297, Washoc County, Records.

APN: 011-112-03

Commending at a point 129.6 feet West of where the center line of Hill Street projected PARCEL 2: Northerly will intersect the North line of Court Street; thence ranning Westerly along the North line of Court Street, 75 feet; thence running Northerty at an angle of 89°58' 140 feet; thence running Easterly at an angle of 90°05" 75 feet; thence running Southerly at an angle 10°55', 140 feet to the place of beginning, comprising a parcel of land 75 by 140

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BEGINNING at the intersection of the Northerty extension of the Eastern line of Flint PARCEL 3: Street with the Northern line of Court Street, in the City of Rena, County of Washoc, State of Nevada; thence Easterly along the Northern line of Court Street, 125 feet, more or less, to the Western bue of the parcel conveyed to WALKER J. BOUDWIN, et us, by Deed recorded in Book 143, File No. 100219, Deed Records; thence Northerly along said last mentioned line 140 feet; thence Westerly parallel to the Northern fine of Court Street, 125 feet; thence Southerty parallel to the Western line of said Bondwin parcel 140 feet to the point of beginning.

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Commencing on the North line of Court Street, at the intersection of the North line of PARCEL 4: Court Street with the West line of Hill Street, if said Hill Street was protracted Nurtherly to said point of intersection, according to the official plat of LAKE'S SOUTH ADDITION TO RENO, Washor County, State of Nevada; thence ranning Westerly and along the North line of said Court Street 100 feet; thence Northerty and parallel with the West line of said Bill Street, if protracted, 276 feet, more or less to the South bank of the Truckee River; thence Easterly and along the South bank of the Truckee River to the West line of Bill Street, protracted Northerly to said Truckee River; thence Southerly and along the West line of Hill Street, protracted, 324 feet, more or less to the North line of Court Street and the place of beginning, being the same bands conveyed by Antonio Rebori and Charlotta Rebori, his wife, to Charles Snyder, May 27, 1907, and by Antonio Rebori to Charles Snyder, January 12, 1905, by deed duly recorded in Book 32 of Deeds, Page 405, and Book 26 of Deeds, Page 296, Records of said Washoc County.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion of the hereinabove described parcel conveyed to the City of Reno, a municipal corporation, in an instrument recorded August 4, 1922, 25 Document No. 26097, in Book 61, Page 280, of Deeds.

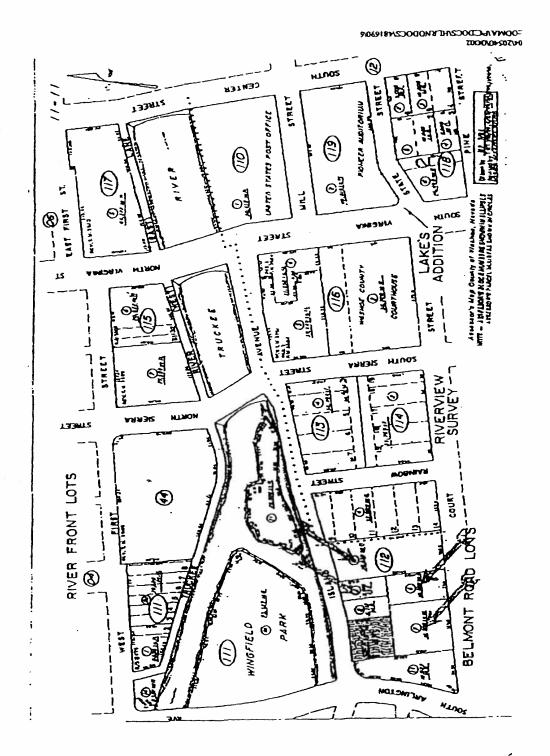
FURTHER EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion of the hereinabove described parcel cooveyed to the City of Reno, a municipal corporation, in an instrument recorded December 17, 1971, as Document No. 229332, in Book 640, Page 759, of Official Records.

The above legal description was taken from previous Document No. 2472304.

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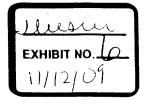
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Sonnia Santee Iliescu, an individual
John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu,
as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust
200 Court Street
Reno, Nevada 89501

Calvin Baty, an individual c/o Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. 932 Parker Street Berkeley, California 94710-2524

Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. 932 Parker Street
Berkeley, California 94710-2524

Re: Court Street/Island Avenue Condominium Project

#### Lady and Gentlemen:

As you are aware, this law firm has an existing attorney-client relationship with John Iliescu, Jr., an individual, and Sonnia Santee Iliescu, an individual, and John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu, as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust (collectively "Iliescu") the owners of property located between Court Street and Island Avenue in Reno, Nevada (the "Property"). Our law firm has been requested to act as special counsel to the buyers of the Property in obtaining the necessary entitlements for a condominium project to be developed on the Property.

With your consent, we will represent Calvin Baty, an individual ("Baty"), and Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("Consolidated") in assisting in obtaining the condominium entitlements and any entity to be formed by them (Baty, Consolidated and such new entity being collectively referred to as "Buyer").

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It is understood and agreed that in the event a conflict between Iliescu and Buyer should arise in matters involving the Property, this law firm will continue to represent Iliescu in such matter. It is also understood and agreed by Buyer that our representation of Buyer on this one matter will not preclude our representation of Iliescu in matters not involving the Property in the event that Buyer, or any of them, is an adversary to Iliescu on such other matters.

If you consent to our representation of Buyer as set forth in this letter and waive any and all potential conflicts of interest which may exist as a result of such representation, please execute the acknowledgement of your consent which follows and return a signed copy of this letter to us.

Please call if you have any questions or if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Very truly yours,

Karen D. Dennison

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### FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

FROM:	Sarah E. L. Class, Esq.	DATE:	December 15, 2005
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Once you have both executed the attached letter, please forward a copy by facsimile to 775-786-6179 and the original letter to us by U.S. Mail at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call. Thank you and have a wonderful trip.

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#### Acknowledgement

The foregoing waiver of conflict is hereby given as of the date set forth below.

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Date:	12-15-05	Sonnia Santee Riescu
Date:	12-15-05	John Riescu Jr., as Trustee of the John Riescu, Jr.
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		Baty:
Date:		Calvin Baty
		Consolidated:
		Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation
Date:		By: Sam A. Caniglia, President

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### **OWNER AFFIDAVIT**

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Signed: John Ray Qu

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## OWNER AFFIDAVIT

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October 5, 2006

Community Development Department P. O. Box 1900 Reno, NV 89505 (775) 334-2381

Claudia C. Hanson, AICP, Interim Planning Manager

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Consolidated Pacific Development 932 Parker Street Berkley, CA 94710

Subject:

LDC06-00321 (Wingfield Towers)

APN No. 011-112-03, 06, 07 and 12

#### Dear Applicant:

At the regular meeting of the Planning Commission on October 4, 2006, the Planning Commission approved your request for: (1) a tentative map to develop a 499 unit residential condominium subdivision; (2) special use permits to allow: (a) hillside development; (b) cuts of 20 feet or more, (c) modification to the building setback envelope for a building within the South Esplanade Frontage; and (d) 100 or more condominium units; and (3) a variance to allow the buildings to cast a shadow on a public park between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on December 21<sup>st</sup>. In addition to the condominium units, ±19,817 square feet of retail space and ±20,603 square feet of office space will be located within two towers which are ±492 and ±374 feet tall, respectively from Court Street. The ±1.36 acre site is located on the south side of Island Avenue ±200 feet east of Arlington Avenue and north of Court Street in the MU/DRRC (Mixed Use/Downtown Reno Regional Center Plan) zones.

Your approved request is subject to the following conditions:

- The project shall comply with all applicable City codes, plans, reports, materials, etc., as submitted. In the event of a conflict between said plans, reports, materials and City codes, City codes in effect at the time the building permit is applied for, shall prevail.
- 2. The applicant shall record the final map in accordance with the time limit contained in state law or this approval shall be null and void.
- Prior to the approval of a final map, the applicant shall demonstrate that a homeowner's association or equivalent has been formed to provide for the maintenance of all common areas.

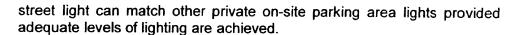


- 4. Prior to the approval of a final map, the applicant shall demonstrate that pedestrian amenities will be provided in an amount equal to 1% of the entire project's costs exclusive of land and financing for buildings. These improvements shall be installed, prior to issuance of the first residential certificate of occupancy.
- 5. Grading and construction activities shall be allowed between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm Monday through Saturday. Grading or construction activities shall not take place on Sundays or on holidays.
- Prior to approval of a final map, the applicant shall have plans approved for installation of landscaping around and on the parking structure up to the podium level as discussed on page 9 in the Urban Design section of the October 4, 2006, Planning Commission staff report for LDC06-00321.
- Prior to the approval of any permit or final map, the applicant shall have an approved Sewerage Report in accordance with the Public Works Design Manual. Adequate access shall be provided for all sanitary sewer improvements per the Public Works Design Manual. All required on-site and off-site sanitary sewer improvements necessary to serve the project shall be complete and functional prior to the issuance of any certificate of occupancy.
- 8. Prior to the approval of any permit or final map, the applicant shall have approved plans for all proposed public sanitary sewer system improvements, abandonments, modifications, or relocations. The applicant shall coordinate the project improvements with completion of the City's sewer rehabilitation project in Arlington Avenue, between Court Street and Island Drive, which closely resemble the proposed sewer relocations shown in this application. These plans shall be approved by Community Development Department staff to the satisfaction of the Public Works Sanitation Engineering Division.
- 9. All proposed on-site sewer facilities and improvements shall be privately owned and maintained and shall be designed and constructed, with adequate access, in accordance with the City's minimum standards set forth in the Public Works Design Manual.
- 10. Prior to the approval of any permit or final map, the applicant shall have an approved Hydrology Report addressing on-site and off-site storm water flows and facility capacities for the pre-development and post-development site conditions. Specifically, the report shall analyze and provide mitigations for any impacts to floodwater flows in the Truckee River from the development of the project.



- 11. Prior to the approval of any permit or final map, the applicant shall demonstrate on-site storm water facilities meet minimum water quality standards for discharge into the Truckee River in accordance with RMC sections 12.16.530 and 12.12.555. Plans for the collection and treatment of roof-top, parking garage area, and elevator basin storm water effluent discharges shall be approved by Community Development Department staff to the satisfaction of the Public Works Sanitation Engineering Environmental Control Division.
- On-site storm water management facilities and appurtenances will be privately owned and maintained. Adequate maintenance access shall be provided for all storm water management improvements per the Public Works Design Manual.
- 13. Prior to approval of any permit or final map, applicant shall demonstrate how Truckee River flood waters are to be accommodated through the building/site design in accordance with FEMA and City regulations.
- 14. Prior to the approval of any permit (excluding grading) or final map, the applicant shall demonstrate adequate gravity flow overland escape routes are provided for all roof-top and surface storm water collection and conveyance facilities.
- 15. Prior to the approval of any permit or final map, the applicant shall demonstrate compliance with flood control regulations regarding storm water detention and how the project will deal with parking garage levels that may be situated below flood elevations in the Truckee River. The applicant shall demonstrate how the subterranean elements of this project will be protected from shallow ground waters in accordance with the project geotechnical report.
- 16. Prior to the approval of each final Map, the applicant shall demonstrate all necessary on-site and off-site easement vacations, relocations, and grants are complete or in place. These easements include, but are not limited to; project construction, site access and cross access, utility access, emergency access, maintenance access, sewer lines, surface drainage, storm drains, irrigation ditches, and utility improvements. All required access, sewer, storm drainage, and utility improvements shall be constructed prior to the issuance of any certificates of occupancy.

- 17. Prior to the approval of any permit for public improvements or final map, the applicant shall have plans for all public improvements approved by the Community Development Department and shall obtain associated encroachment and excavation permits. Additionally, the applicant shall provide necessary dedications for rights-of-way and/or public use easements for the roadway, sidewalk, and pedestrian ramp improvements proposed along each project frontage.
- 18. Prior to the approval of each permit, the applicant shall have a preconstruction meeting and an approved Construction Management Plan. This plan shall include provisions for on-site and off-site construction material storage, employee parking and shuttle services (as appropriate), and construction activity phasing and staging. The plan shall also depict the proposed construction transportation and delivery routes within the project vicinity bounded by Center Street, California Avenue, Interstate 80, and Keystone Avenue. Access to adjacent businesses and properties shall be maintained during construction.
- 19. Prior to the approval of any permit for public improvements or final map, the applicant shall comply with the Quality Assurance Program as set forth in the Public Works Design Manual, Chapter VI, titles "Inspection, Testing and Verification" and "Quality Assurance Program."
- 20. Prior to the issuance of any permit, the applicant shall have plans and appropriate easements for the relocating or undergrounding of all overhead utilities proposed with this project in accordance with City standards and RMC Section 18.12.603 "Underground Utility Services."
- 21. Site circulation design, traffic control devices, and operational characteristics of the site accesses, common use driveways, on-site drive aisles, emergency accesses, fire access lanes, pedestrian routes, sidewalks, and parking areas shall be in accordance with the Public Works Design Manual and shall meet with the approval of the City Fire and Community Development Departments.
- 22. The applicant shall provide sidewalks and demonstrate accessible and ADA compliant pedestrian routes from all adjacent public rights-of-way to the on-site buildings.
- 23. Prior to the approval of any final map, the applicant shall demonstrate adequate street lighting exists or shall propose street lighting in accordance with City standards for the project entrances and adjoining properties. If new lighting is required, a private on-site street light shall be installed at the back of sidewalk near the private roadway entrances. This



- 24. Prior to the approval of any final map, the applicant shall demonstrate adequate sight distance is provided in accordance with City code for the parking structure accesses and adjoining intersections. Sight distances shall be evaluated both horizontally and vertically.
- 25. Project accesses shall be located and designed in conformance with the master traffic study (prepared by Solaegui Engineers dated September 21, 2006, with all addenda and updates thereto) on file for the project and in accordance with the geometric standards of the Public Works Design Manual.
- 26. All traffic study updates shall be to the approval of the Community Development Department and shall provide analyses and review of the site plan and proposed mitigations for project generated impacts, relative to the trip generation distribution estimates included in the September 21, 2006 master traffic study, on the adjacent roadway network, site accesses, pedestrian routes, and cut-through traffic concerns.
- 27. Prior to the approval of each permit (excluding grading and underground improvements) and final map, the applicant shall provide a Transportation Management Plan for the project in accordance with the master traffic study and updates thereto. This plan shall stipulate specific strategies and management policies to control site generated traffic with regards to the operation of the parking structure, site accesses and turning movements, valet parking procedures, trip distributions from the site, pedestrian routes, off-site parking, shuttle service, loading zones/areas, metered parking, and mass transit utilization. This plan shall be on file with the Community Development Department and updated with each permit generating additional project traffic. This plan shall be continuously maintained in perpetuity, incorporated into the project Home Owners Association (HOA or equivalent) Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC& R's or equivalent), and a note shall be placed on each final map stating:

"The Transportation Management Plan, and all updates and addenda thereto, as required by Condition of Approval {#} for LCD06-00321 and finally approved by the City of Reno on {date}, shall remain in full force and effect for the life of this map and subsequent modifications thereof. The Transportation Management Plan shall be maintained and enforced by the Home Owners Association (HOA or equivalent) and filed with the Reno Community Development Department."

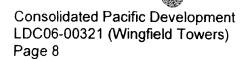


- 28. Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for the combined residential and non-residential portions of the project that will generate 50-percent (approximately 1,500 ADT) of the total project trips, the applicant shall have City approved traffic study and Transportation Management Plan updates for the project. This update shall evaluate background and project traffic patterns, site accesses, and pedestrian routes and review of the roadway capacities and intersection levels of service for the roadway network included in the project master traffic study. Prior to the issuance of any certificate of occupancy beyond a 65-percent combined occupancy threshold, the applicant shall have approved plans and securities in place for all recommended roadway or intersection improvements and/or shall provide alternate traffic mitigation plans as identified in the City approved 50-percent occupancy traffic study update.
- 29. Prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for the combined residential and non-residential portions of the project that will generate 85-percent (approximately 2,600 ADT) of the total project trips, the applicant shall have City approved traffic study and Transportation Management Plan updates for the project. This update shall evaluate background and project traffic patterns, site accesses, and pedestrian routes and review of the roadway capacities and intersection levels of service for the roadway network included in the project master traffic study. Prior to the issuance of any certificate of occupancy beyond a 95-percent combined occupancy threshold, the applicant shall have approved plans/securities and shall construct and install all recommended roadway improvements and/or shall execute alternate traffic mitigation plans as identified in the City approved 85-percent occupancy traffic study update.
- 30. Prior to the approval of each permit (excluding grading and underground improvements) and final map, the applicant shall provide an updated estimate of the traffic generated from previously permitted and proposed project development.
- 31. Prior to the approval of any final map, the applicant shall provide a written response from RTC defining transit requirements for this project and shall dedicate rights-of-way or grant appropriate easements and construct transit improvement in accordance with RTC's requirements prior to the approval of any certificate of occupancy.
- 32. Prior to the issuance of the building permit containing 100-percent of the project commercial development and additional residential units that, collectively, will generate no less than 45-percent and no more than 55-percent of the total project trip generation estimate, the applicant shall develop a rehabilitation plan in conjunction with requirements established by engineering staff to determine the extents and nature of upgrades,

repairs, renovations, or reconstruction of the pavement structure and surface for the roadways identified as construction transportation and delivery routes within the project vicinity as depicted in the Construction Management Plan and all updates thereto. As a minimum, the applicant shall provide a 2-inch grind and overlay, with full depth replacement in required areas, for the full street widths of Court Street, Island Avenue, Arlington Avenue, and Rainbow Street within the block formed by these roadways. Prior to the issuance of the building permit containing 100percent of the commercial development and residential units that, collectively, will generate no less than 85-percent and no more than 95percent of the total project trip generation estimate, the applicant shall complete all pavement structure and roadway surface improvements necessary to sustain minimum roadway functional classifications within the project vicinity resulting from construction and project traffic impacts. The applicant shall replace all roadway markings and striping affected or displaced by the pavement improvements.

- 33. Prior to the issuance of each permit, the applicant shall have an approved Construction Traffic Control and Event Access Plan accommodating special events within the downtown and Wingfield Park areas. This plan shall be formulated in conjunction with and to the approval of the Community Development and Public Works Departments and shall be maintained on site at all times during construction. The plan shall include strategies for controlling construction traffic and potential temporary road closures for Island Avenue, Court Street, and Arlington Avenue and shall be updated at pre-determined intervals established within the plan or as required by the City.
- 34. Prior to approval of a final map the applicant shall have plans approved demonstrating that at least 25 bicycle parking spaces will be provided.
- 35. Prior to approval of a final map the applicant shall prepare, in coordination with the City's Historical Resources Commission, an architectural analysis and view shed inventory of historic structures in the are affected by construction of this project, to the satisfaction of Community Development Department staff.
- 36. Prior to approval of a final map, the applicant shall place a note on the final map and include in the project CC&R's a disclosure statement notifying residents of the potential for public events and street closures associated with adjacent downtown parks to occur.

The decision of the Planning Commission may be appealed by completing an appeal form and filing it with the City Clerk and paying any fee within ten (10) days of the date of the meeting at which the decision was made. The City Clerk shall set the appeal for



public hearing before the City Council and mail a notice of the hearing to the appellant and all others who were mailed a notice of the hearing of the Planning Commission. Appeals may be filed by any person who is aggrieved by the decision. The City Council may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision.

In the absence of an appeal, no building permit may be issued until this letter has been on file with the City Clerk for ten (10) days.

You must attach a copy of this letter to your application for a building/sign permit.

Sincerely,

Claudia C. Hanson, AICP, Interim Planning Manager

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**Community Development Department** 

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xc: John and Sonia Iliescu

219 Court Street Reno, NV 89501

Fisher Friedman Associates Nathan Ogle, AIA 1485 Park Avenue, Suite 103 Emeryville, CA 94608

Lynnette Jones, City Clerk Denny Peters, P.E., Interim Engineering Manager Gary Warren, Washoe County Tax Assessor Tonia Meyers, Management Assistant



**EXHIBIT 11** 





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### ADDENDUM No. 4.

Date Prepared: September 18, 2006

This Addendum No. 4 ("Fourth Addendum") is made by and between Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation, ("Buyer"), and John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Santee Iliescu, individually and as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust (collectively "Seller") with reference to the following facts and is as follows:

#### RECITALS:

A. Seller and Buyer entered into that certain Land Purchase Agreement dated July 29, 2005 ("{Land Purchase Agreement"), together with Addendum No. 1 dated August 1, 2005 ("First Addendum"), and Addendum No. 2 dated August 2, 2005 ("Second Addendum"), and Addendum No. 3 dated October 8, 2005 ("Third Addendum"). The Land Purchase Agreement, the First Addendum, the Second Addendum, and the Third Addendum are collectively referred herein as the "Agreement". The Agreement is for the sale and purchase of that certain real property located in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, identified as APNs 011-112-05, 06, 07 and 12 and more particularly described in the Title Report attached to the Third Addendum.

B. Seller and Buyer desire to amend the Agreement as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth herein, Seller and Buyer hereby amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Seller and Buyer hereby agree to extend the date for Close of Escrow (as set forth in the Agreement) to on or before April 25, 2007. In consideration of such extension, Buyer agrees to pay, on or before October 15, 2006, through escrow at First Centennial Title Company of Nevada, an additional sum of \$376,000 (Three Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Dollars) in immediately available funds ("Additional Extension Deposit"), which Additional Extension Deposit shall be added to the Purchase Price, as set forth below, and shall be credited to the Purchase Price. Three Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$365,000.00) of such sum shall be released immediately to Seller and Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) of such surn shall be payable immediately to Metzker Johnson Group as partial payment of its broker's commission. The Additional Extension Deposit is non-refundable.

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- 2. The Additional Extension Deposit shall be in addition to all other sums payable under the Agreement, including, but not limited to, the extension deposits described in the Agreement.
- 3. The purchase price of \$7,500,000.00 (Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) as set forth in the Agreement shall be increased to Seven Million Eight Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Dollars (\$7,876,000) (herein "Purchase Price").
- 4. Except as modified by this Addendum No. 4, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

This Addendum No. 4 is dated this 1974 day of September, 2006.

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John Iliescu Jr., as Trustee of the John Iliescu Jr

and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust

Sonnia Santee Iliescu, as Trustee of the John Iliescu Jr.

And Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust

Buyer:

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# **EXHIBIT 12**

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When Recorded Mail To:

Gayle A. Kern, Esq. Gayle A. Kern, Ltd. 5421 Kietzke Lane, Suite 200 Reno, NV 89511

APN: 011-112-03; 011-112-06; 011-112-07; 011-112-12

GRANTEE'S ADDRESS: Mark B. Steppan, AIA, CSI, NCARB 1485 Park Avenue, #103 Emeryville, CA 94608







## NOTICE AND CLAIM OF LIEN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mark Steppan, AIA, CSI, NGARB claims a Mechanic's and Materialman's Lien upon the property hereinafter particularly described, which property is located in Washoe County, Nevada, and which claim is made pursuant to the laws of the State of Nevada, particularly Chapter 108 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, for the value of work, labor, materials and/or services furnished by lien claimant for the improvement of real property hereinafter particularly described, located in the County of Washoe, State of Nevada.

That the whole or real property hereinafter particularly described has been or is in the process of improvement and is reasonably necessary for the convenient use and occupation of said property.

### Claimant further states:

- 1. That the name of the owner or reputed owner of the premises sought to be charged is as follows: 011-112-03; 011-112-07; 011-112-12 JOHN ILIESCU, JR., and SONNIA ILIESCU, as Trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR., AND SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST AGREEMENT; and 011-112-06 John Iliescu, a married man as his sole and separate property.
- 2. That the name of the person by whom lien claimant was employed and to whom lien claimant furnished work, labor, materials and/or services in connection with the project is: BSC Financial, LLC, c/o Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., 932 Parker Street, Berkley, CA 94710, Job name: Residential Project, Reno, Nevada, Job Address: North Arlington Avenue, Island Avenue and Court Street; Owner's Designated Representative: Sam Caniglia.
- 3. That the terms, time given and conditions of the contract were: Payments on account of services rendered and for Reimbursable Expenses incurred shall be made monthly upon presentation of the Statement of services for the building, structure or other work of improvement located at North Arlington Avenue, Island Avenue and Court Street, Reno, Nevada. All services were to be invoiced based on work performed as reflected in applications for payment, no retainage to be withheld from monthly progress payments. All invoices are due in fifteen days.



- 4. That work, labor, materials and/or services have been furnished to and actually used upon the above-described project in the remaining amount of ONE MILLION SIX-HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND ONE-HUNDRED THIRTY AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,639,130.00), reimbursable expenses of ONE-HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$115,362.00) plus interest through October 31, 2006 in the amount of TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS AND 85/100 (\$29,056.85), continuing interest, attorney's fees and costs and the amount is now due and owing to lien claimant.
- 5. That the first labor and materials furnished by lien claimant to and incorporated in the project was on or about April 21, 2006 and that the last labor and materials furnished by lien claimant and incorporated in the project was within the past ninety days; that there are no other just credits or off-sets to be deducted and the total amount due and owing to lien claimant is the sum of ONE MILLION SEVEN-HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE-HUNDRED FOURTY-EIGHT AND 85/100 DOLLARS (\$1,783,548.85), plus continuing interest, attorney's fees and costs.
- 6. That a demand for payment has been made by lien claimant and that no part or portion of the amount due and owing has been paid; that there are no further off-sets to the claim and that the sum of ONE MILLION SEVEN-HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE-HUNDRED FOURTY-EIGHT AND 85/100 DOLLARS (\$1,783,548.85), plus continuing interest, attorney's fees and costs is now due and owing to lien claimant on account of the work, labor, materials and/or services furnished as above specified and that the undersigned claims a lien upon the real property particularly described herein for said sum, together with continuing interest and attorney's fees as provided by law.
- 7. That the real property sought to be charged with this Claim of Lien upon which the above described work of improvement has been made is located in Washoe County of State of Nevada, and is particularly described as:

Commencing at a point formed by the intersection of the East line of Flint Street (if protracted Northerly) with the North line of Court Street in the City of Reno; running thence Easterly, along the North line of Court Street, a distance of 100 feet, thence at a right angle Northerly, a distance of 140 feet to the true point of beginning; said true point of beginning being the Southeast corner of the parcel of land heretofore conveyed to Atha Carter by Antonieo Rebori and wife, by deed duly recorded in Book 64 of Deeds, Page 294, Washoe County Records: running thence Easterly, parallel with the North line of Court Street, a distance of 50 feet to the Southwest comer of the property formerly owned by H. F. Holmshaw and wife thence Northerly at a right angle, along the west line of the property formerly owned by said H. F. Holmshaw and wife, to the South bank of the South channel of the Truckee River; thence Westerly along the South bank of said channel of the Truckee River to a point which would intersect a line drawn northerly and parallel with the East line of said property from the said true point of beginning; thence southerly along said line to the truce point of beginning.

SAVE AND EXCEPTING, however, from the above described premises, all that portion thereof conveyed by Antonio Rebori and Charlotta Rebori, his wife, to the City of Reno, a municipal corporation, by deed dated February 16, 1922, and recorded in Book 59 of Deeds, Page 297, Washoe County, Records. APN: 011-112-03

Commencing at the point 129.6 feet West of where the center line of Hill Street projected Northerly will intersect the North line of Court Street thence running Westerly along the North line of Court Street, 75 feet; thence running Northerly at an angle of 89°58' 140 feet; thence running Easterly at an angle of 90°05" 75 feet; thence running Southerly at an angle 80°55', 140 feet to the place of beginning, comprising a parcel of land 75 by 140 feet.

APN: 011-112-06

BEGINNING at the intersection of the Northerly extension of the Eastern line of Flint Street with the Northern line of Court Street, in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, thence Easterly along the Northern line of Court Street, 125 feet, more or less to the Western line of the parcel conveyed to WALKER J. BOUDWIN, et ux, by Deed recorded in Book 143, File No. 100219, Deed Records; thence Northerly along said last mentioned line 140 feet; thence Westerly parallel to the Northern line of Court Street, 125 feet; thence Southerly parallel to the Western line of Said Boudwin parcel 140 feet to the point of beginning.

APN: 011-112-07

Commencing on the North line of Court Street, at the intersection of the North line of Court Street with the West line of Hill Street, if said Hill Street was protracted Northerly to said point of inter-section according to the official plat of Lake's South Addition to Reno, Washoe County, State of Nevada; thence running westerly and along the North line of said Court Street 100 feet; thence Northerly and parallel with the West line of said Hill Street, if protracted, 276 feet more of less to the South Bank of the Truckee River; thence Easterly and along the south bank of the Truckee River to the West line of Hill Street, protracted, 324 feet more or less to the North line of Court Street and the place of beginning, being the same lands conveyed by Antonio Robori and Carlotta Robori, his wife, to Charles Snyder, May 27, 1907, and by Antonio Robori to Charles Snyder, January 12, 1905, by deeds duly recorded in Book 32 of Deeds, page 405, and book 26 of deeds, page 296, Records of said Washoe County.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion of the hereinabove described parcel conveyed to the City of Reno, a municipal corporation, in an instrument recorded August 4, 1922, as Document No. 26097, in Book 61, Page 280, of Deeds.

FURTHER EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion of the hereinabove described parcel conveyed to the City of Reno, a municipal corporation, in an instrument recorded December 17, 1971, as Document No. 229332, in Book 600, Page 759 of Official Records.

APN: 011-112-12



8. That the four parcels are to be developed as the project and it is appropriate to equally apportion the amount due between the four parcels identified herein.

DATED: This day of November, 2006.

By Still (1. X) Cayle A. Kern, Esq.

STATE OF NEVADA

) ss.

COUNTY OF WASHOE

Gayle A. Kern, Esq., being first duly sworn, deposes and says that: I am the Attorney for Mark Steppan, the lien claimant in the foregoing Notice and Claim of Lien. I have read the above and foregoing Notice and Claim of Lien, know the contents thereof and state that the same is true based on the information provided by my client. I further state that I have been informed and based thereon believe that it contains, among other things, a correct statement of the demand of said lien claimant, after deducting all just credits and off-sets.

Gayle A. Kern, Esq.

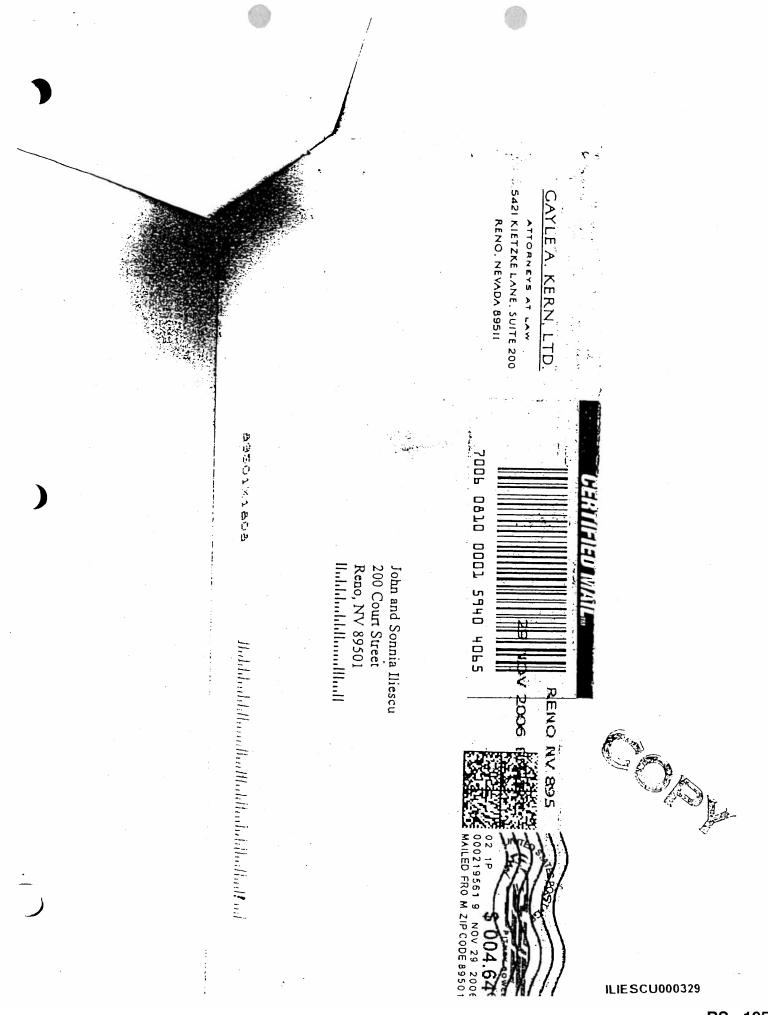
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 74h day of November, 2006.

Notary Public

AMBER A. GARRELL

Notary Public - State of Nevada

Appointment Recorded in Washoe County
No: 05-99145-2 - Expires June 21, 2009





# FIRST CENTENNIAL TITLE COMPANY OF NEVADA

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December 8, 2006

Mark Steppan, AIA, CSI, NCARB
Via email to Counsels:
Sanford Margolin @margolin@oaklaw.com
biatch@oaklaw.com
Gayle Kern @kemltd.com

RE: Escrow No: 145279-MI

I have been instructed to pay your demand for the Claim of Lien filed 11/7/06 as document No. 3460499, Washoe County Nevada Official Records involving property owned by John Illescu, etal for work performed for DeCal Homes, or one of their subsidiaries.

on the property located on Court Street and Island Ave., Reno Nevada having APN 011-112-03, 06, 07 and 12, Reno, NV

We ask that you complete and sign the requested information below, and sign and have notarized the Lien Release enclosed.

Very truly yours, First Centennial Title Company of Nevada Maryann Infantino Commercial Escrow Officer The Outstanding Principal Balance is: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Interest to \_\_\_\_\_ Daily Interest Is: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Or Interest Rate Is: \_\_\_ Any Other Fees, Charges, Etc. Due Description \_\_\_\_\_ You are also handed herewith a Lien Release, which you are authorized, and instructed to record in Washoe County, Nevada, when you hold for my account the above requested amounts. Disbursement of said amount shall be sent to the undersigned in the following manner: Federal Express to:\_\_\_\_\_ Wire to: Routing #\_\_\_\_ Signed: Address:

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**EXHIBIT 13** 



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December 26, 2006

John lliescu, Jr., individually
Sonnia Santee Iliescu, individually
John lliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu,
as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr.
and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust
200 Court Street
Reno, Nevada 89501

BSC Financial LLC c/o DeCal Custom Homes 440 Columbia Blvd. St. Helens, OR 97051

BSC Financial LLC c/o Decal Nevada, Inc. 6121 Lakeside Drive, Suite 125 Reno, NV 89511

Re: Wingfield Towers
Court Street/Island Avenue Condominium Project

Dr. and Mrs. Iliescu and Messrs Baty, Caniglia and Schleining:

As you are aware, this law firm has an existing attorney-client relationship with John Iliescu, Jr., an individual, and Sonnia Santee'lliescu, an individual, and John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust (collectively "Iliescu") the owners of property located between Court Street and Island Avenue in Reno, Nevada (the "Property"). Our law firm also has an existing attorney-client relationship with Decal Custom Homes and BSC Financial LLC, the Buyers of the Property. BSC Financial LLC is referred to herein as "Buyer". Our law firm has been requested to act as counsel to both Iliescu and Buyers because of the unity of interest in resolving the dispute with the Architect for the Property involving the AIA Architectural Services Contract, and the mechanic's lien recorded by the Architect and related issues.

We will represent both Iliescu and Buyer jointly regarding the resolution of the mechanic's lien issue with the Architect. An Indemnity Agreement has been executed by Buyer

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indemnifying the Seller as more fully set forth therein which includes provisions that Buyer is responsible, among other obligations, to pay this law firm's fees regarding the mechanic's lien issue with the Architect.

It is understood and agreed that in the event a conflict between Iliescu and Buyer should arise in matters involving the mechanic's lien issue, this law firm may continue to represent Iliescu in such matter. This law firm will continue to represent Iliescu in the closing of the purchase and sale of the Property transaction.

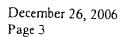
If you consent to our joint representation as set forth in this letter and waive any and all potential conflicts of interest which may exist as a result of such representation, please execute the Acknowledgement of your consent attached hereto and return a signed copy of this letter to us.

Please call if you have any questions or if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

R. Craig Howard

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#### Acknowledgement

Iliescu and Buyer consent to joint representation in the above-referenced matter and waiver of any potential conflict is hereby given as of the date set forth below.

Iliescu:	
Date:	
	John Iliescu, Jr., individually, and as Trustee of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust
Date:	
	Sonnia Santee Iliescu, individually, and as Trustee of the John Iliescu Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust
BSC Financial LLC:	BSC Financial LLC, a limited liability company
Date:	By:Calvin Baty Manager





# **EXHIBIT 14**

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## INDEMNITY

THIS INDEMNITY ("Agreement") is executed by BSC FINANCIAL, LLC, a limited liability company ("BSC"), CALVIN BATY, individually ("Baty"), and JOHN SCHLEINING, individually ("Schleining") (collectively, the "Indemnifying Parties"), in favor of JOHN ILIESCU, JR., and SONNIA SANTEE ILIESCU, individually and as Trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR., AND SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST (collectively, "lliescu"), and is effective as of the date set forth by the parties' respective signatures.

#### RECITALS:

- A. Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("Consolidated"), entered into a Land Purchase Agreement with Iliescu dated July 29, 2005, together with Addendum No. 1 dated August 1, 2005, Addendum No. 2 dated August 2, 2005, Addendum No. 3 dated October 8, 2005, and Addendum No. 4 dated as of September 18, 2006 (collectively, "Purchase Agreement"), concerning certain real property located in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, identified as APNs 011-112-05, 06, 07 and 12, and more particularly described in the Title Report attached to Addendum No. 3 ("Property"). Sam Caniglia, President of Consolidated, Baty and Schleining formed BSC in order to proceed with the entitlement of the project on the Property.
- B. BSC entered into an AlA Architectural Agreement ("AlA Contract") with Mark Steppan, AlA ("Architect"), for architectural services for a mixed-use development including residential, retail, and parking ("Project"). The architectural schematic drawings were necessary to obtain the land use entitlements for the Project. The land use entitlements were approved by the City of Reno.
- C. On November 7, 2006, the Architect recorded in Washoe County, Nevada, a Notice and Claim of Lien against the Property in the amount of \$1,783,548.85 for claims of unpaid architectural services ("Mechanic's Lien"). These unpaid amounts are contested by BSC. In addition, the Mechanic's Lien is an improper lien not in compliance with Nevada law because the Architect failed to deliver to Iliescu (i) a Notice of Right to Lien pursuant to NRS 108.245, and (ii) a Notice of Intent to Lien pursuant to NRS 108.226(6).
  - D. Baty and Schleining are principals of BSC.
- E. Baty, Schleining and BSC desire to indemnify Iliescu for any and all claims and costs related to the Architect's recording of the Mechanic's Lien on the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby agree as follows:

1. <u>Indemnity</u>. Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby, jointly and severally, agree to indemnify, defend, protect and hold lliescu harmless against all damages, losses, expenses, costs, liabilities, including, without limitation, payments due or which may be due to the Architect arising out of services performed pursuant to the AIA Contract or any change order or extras

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2. Attorneys' Fees. Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby jointly and severally agree to pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred to contest and discharge the Mechanic's Lien. In the event that a discharge of the Mechanic's Lien does not occur pursuant to a resolution of the dispute with Architect within ten (10) days of the date of this Indemnity, the Indemnifying Parties agree to initiate an action in the Washoe County District Court to contest and to discharge the Mechanic's Lien for (i) failing to comply with Nevada law, and (ii) the excessive amount. The Indemnifying Parties agree to diligently prosecute such action in an expedited manner to eliminate the Mechanic's Lien.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Indemnifying Parties have executed this Indemnity as of the date set forth below.

•	BSC FINANCIAL, LLC, a limited liability
Dated: December, 2006	By:
	Calvin Baty Manager
Dated: December, 2006	CALVIN BATY, individually
Dated: December	JOHN SCHLEINING, individually

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IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

## IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

MARK B. STEPPAN,

1992 Family Trust

Case No.: CV07-00341

Plaintiff,

Dept. No.: 1

v.

Consolidated with: Case No.: CV07-00341

JOHN ILIESCU, JR. and SONNIA
ILIESCU, as Trustees of the JOHN
ILIESCU, JR. AND SONNIA ILIESCU
1992 FAMILY TRUST AGREEEMNT; JOHN
ILIESCU, individually; DOES I-V,
Inclusive; and ROE CORPORATIONS
VI-X, inclusive,

Dept. No.: 1

Defendants.

AND RELATED CROSS-CLAIMS AND THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS.

## OPPOSITION AND RESPONSE TO THIRD PARTY DEFENDANT

### HALE LANE'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

## REGARDING THIRD PARTY CLAIMS BY JOHN ILIESCU

COME NOW, Defendants John Iliescu, Jr., and Sonnia Iliescu, individually, and as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and

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hereby informs the Court as follows.

A. Discussion.

Inasmuch as the subject Motion is directed solely to the single allegation contained in paragraph 59-60 in the Third Party Complaint, Iliescu has no objection to striking the phrase "they failed to advise Iliescu to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility." As set forth in the Motion to Amend Third Party Complaint filed herewith, the remaining allegations of the Third Party Complaint stand, as augmented, in that the Hale Lane law firm was negligent in certain other regards including the fact that they failed to advise Iliescu that by signing Addendum 3, Iliescu became a Participating Seller and therefore No. subjecting the Property to lien.

Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust ("Iliescu"), by and through

their counsel Thomas J. Hall, Esq., and in opposition and in

response to the Third Party Defendant Hale Lane's Motion for

Summary Judgment Regarding Third-Party Claims by John Iliescu

B. General Facts.

Iliescu owns four parcels of real property situated between Court Street in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, known as APN 011-112-03, 011-112-07 and 011-112-12 and Defendant John Iliescu, Jr., is the owner of APN 011-112-06 as his sole and separate property (collectively the "Property"). See, Complaint  $\P$  6.

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Iliescu desired to sell this Property.

On July 29, 2005, Iliescu entered into a Purchase Agreement for the sale of the Property. See Exhibit 1 attached to the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed April 17, 2008. The Purchase Agreement was subsequently amended by four addendums<sup>1</sup>. See Purchase Agreement and Addendums, attached as Exhibit 1 to Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed April 17, 2008. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, Iliescu agreed to sell the Property to Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., ("CPD"), for \$7,500,000.00, plus other consideration. The cash amount was later increased to \$7,876,000.00 by Addendum No. 4.

As part of the Purchase Agreement, Iliescu was to receive a condominium located within the Project CPD proposed to build and several parking spaces. Id at ¶ 39(H). The Purchase Agreement was made expressly contingent on the Buyer obtaining certain Governmental Approvals. Specifically, the Hale Lane law firm drafted Addendum No. 3, which expressly provided under paragraph 39(F) the following conditions and requirements:

7. Paragraph 39(F) is hereby amended and restated as follows:

This offer is conditioned upon, as conditions ("Conditions Precedent"), precedent Buyer obtaining, Buyer's expense, all necessary approvals ("Governmental Approvals") for the construction of a residential mixed use and commercial high

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Addendum No. 1 was entered into on August 1, 2005. Addendum No. 2 was entered into on August 2, 2005. Addendum No. 3 was entered into on October 8, 2005. Addendum No. 4 was entered into on September 18, 2006.

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condominium project on the Property approximately 28 stories in height (the "Project") within 270 days after August 3, 2005, as such time period may be extended pursuant to Paragraph 1.2 above, including but not limited to:

- (1) Any required height, setback or other variances;
- (2) Any required special use permit;
- (3) Any required zoning or land use designation changes;
- (4) Any required master plan amendment;
- (5) An approved tentative condominium map for the Project; and
- (6) Any required design approvals.

In addition, Buyer shall obtain, at Buyer's sole cost and expense, all approvals for the Boundary Line Adjustment (as defined in Paragraph 8 of this Third Addendum).

Buyer shall use its best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent described in this Paragraph 39(F) prior to close of escrow.

[Emphasis added.]

Iliescu understood that the Buyer of the Property intended to construct residential condominium units and in pursuit of paragraph 39(F) quoted above, Iliescu did execute Owner Affidavits on January 17, 2006, appointing and authorizing Sam Caniqlia, а principal within the Buyer's group, to file development applications with and obtain Governmental Approvals from the City of Reno for the Property. See, Exhibit 9 to Third Party Defendant Hale Lane's Motion for Summary Judgment Regarding Third Party Claims by John Iliescu filed on March 30, 2011.

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As stated in Hale Lane's Motion for Summary Judgment, Karen D. Dennison of the Hale Lane law firm prepared Addendum No. 3 (Motion, page 3, lines 14-19):

Ms. Dennison prepared Addendum No. 3, which sought to clarify the agreement in several respects. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 18 through 19; see also Addendum No. 3 attached as Exhibit 7.) Of particular importance for purposes of this motion, Addendum No. 3 explained that obtaining the necessary entitlements was a "condition precedent." (Ex. 7, at no. 7.) It also mandated that the developer "use its best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent."

In addition, John Iliescu attended the City of Planning Commission and City of Reno Council meetings where the Project was reviewed and approved, thereby all Governmental Approvals as called for in paragraph 39(F).

In the meantime, once the Purchase Agreement was signed, Caniglia, for the Buyer, sought out a reputable architect to help obtain the Governmental Approvals. Nevada architect Mark B. Steppan and his California firm, Fisher-Friedman & Associates, were retained by Caniglia on a time and materials basis to conceptually design the Project, to prepare certain schematic drawings and to present these drawings to the Reno Planning Commission and the Reno City Council in support of gaining the Governmental Approvals.

The Buyer paid \$430,870.00 to Fisher-Friedman & Associates on a time and materials basis. The Buyer later signed a more extensive architectural agreement with Steppan that gave rise to

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COUNSELOR AT LAW 305 SOUTH ARLINGTON AVENUE POST OFFICE BOX 3948 RENO, NEVADA 89505 (775) 348-7011 the filing of the Notice of Lien herein on November 7, 2006, as Document 3460499, Washoe County Records, in the amount of \$1,783,548.85. An Amended Notice of Claim and Lien was recorded on May 3, 2007, as Document 3528313, Washoe County Records. See, Plaintiff's Complaint ¶ 12.

At no time did the Hale Lane law firm discuss with or advise Iliescu as to the effect or implication of requiring Iliescu to become a Participating Seller in this sales transaction. Moreover, the Hale Lane law firm was specifically retained to "fine tune" the sales agreement originally prepared by Realtor Richard K. Johnson to "better reflect the parties' intentions". Hale Lane Motion for Summary Judgment, page 3, lines 10-12. Iliescu's intention was to sell the Property, not to expose the Property to lien caused by the Buyer. See Affidavit of John Iliescu attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

As set forth in the instant Motion for Summary Judgment and the Motion to Amend filed concurrently herewith, once Iliescu, as Seller, actively participated in the effort to gain Governmental Approvals, the Property was lienable. That is exactly what was provided for in the Hale Lane drafted Addendum No. 3. Iliescu was not advised otherwise, to his substantial damage.

While Iliescu believes that Steppan's lien claim is unfounded and that Steppan has been sufficiently paid for all

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the services he rendered, nevertheless, a lien still exists on the Property and must be dealt with. The Court by its Order entered June 22, 2009, found:

The Applicants, specifically Iliescu, viewed the architectural drawings as well as attended meetings where the design team presented the drawings. The Court finds even though Iliescu alleges he did not know the identity of the architects who were working on the project, he had actual knowledge that the Respondent and his firm were performing architectural services on the project.

Accordingly, the motion for partial summary judgment is denied. The cross motion for summary judgment is granted.

has determined on cross-motions Because the Court for summary judgment that Iliescu had actual knowledge that designer and his firm were performing architectural services for the Project, Iliescu, as owner of the Property, could not avoid the lien by simply recording a Notice of Non-Responsibility. Further, because Iliescu participated in obtaining Governmental Approvals, he became what is known as a Participating Seller. By the very cases Hale Lane cites in the Motion for Summary Judgment, and cited in the Motion to Amend filed herewith, the Property became lienable. Iliescu was unprotected and unguarded. Because of the fault of the Hale Lane law firm, the Property has been liened and, therefore, the Hale Lane law firm must indemnify Iliescu.

The recording of a Notice of Non-responsibility by a Participating Seller is ineffective. The Hale Lane law firm did not inform Iliescu of this result at the time Addendum No. 3 was drafted, presented to Iliescu and signed.

## B. Conclusion.

It is respectfully requested that Hale Lane's Motion for Summary Judgment be denied. By its own Motion, Hale Lane admits that it drafted and prepared the Addendum which placed the Property in jeopardy of potential lien claims caused by the Buyer's hired vendors and service providers. Here, the Property would not be protected by an owner's recorded Notice of Non-Responsibility. The Hale Lane law firm did not so advise the Property owner, Iliescu, and did not draft Addendum No. 3 to properly reflect the parties' intentions to protect the Property from lien.

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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DATED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011.

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Law Offices of Thomas J. Hall, and that on this date I electronically filed a true and correct copy of the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court by using the ECF system, which served the following parties electronically:

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Gregory F. Wilson, Esq. Wilson & Quint, LLP 417 West Plumb Lane Reno, Nevada 89509

Michael D. Hoy, Esq. Hoy & Hoy, P.C. 4741 Caughlin Parkway, Suite Four Reno, Nevada 89519

DATED this 18th day of August, 2011.

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL

I certify that I am an employee of Thomas J. Hall, Esq., and that on this date, pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I deposited in the United States mail at Reno, Nevada, a true copy of the attached Opposition and Response to Third Party Defendant Hale Lane's Motion for Summary Judgment Regarding Third Party Claims by John Iliescu, addressed to:

John Iliescu, Jr., M.D. Sonnia Iliescu 200 Court Street Reno, Nevada 89501

DATED this 18th day of August, 2011.

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# EXHIBIT LIST **EXHIBIT 1:** Affidavit of John Iliescu, Jr.

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THOMAS J. HALL ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW 305 SOUTH ARLINGTON AVENUE POST OFFICE BOX 3948 RENO, NEVADA 89505 (775) 348-7011 JOHN ILIESCU, JR., being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says:

- 1. I am one of the Defendants in the above reference matter. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein, except to those matters stated upon information and belief, and to those matters, I believe them to be true. If called as a witness, I would be competent to testify as to the matters stated in this Affidavit.
- 2. Along with Sonnia Santee Iliescu, as Trustee, and the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust, I am the owner of the land located between Court Street and Island Avenue, in Reno, Nevada, APNs 011-112-05, 011-112-06, 011-112-07 and APN 011-112-12 (the "Property").
- 3. On July 29, 2005, I entered into a contract with Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., ("CPD") for the sale of the Property. I understand that CPD subsequently transferred its interest in this property to BCS Financial, Inc., ("BCS"). As of this date, this sale has not closed.
- 4. On or before September 22, 2005, I retained the Hale Lane law firm to review, "fine tune", clarify, prepare Addendum No. 3 to the Purchase Agreement and in all respects advise me relative to the Purchase Agreement.

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5. Addendum No. 3 was thereafter prepared by Karen D. Dennison, of the Hale Lane law firm. Addendum No. 3 was executed by CPD and myself on or about October 8, 2005.

- 6. The Hale Lane law firm never discussed with or advised me at any time as to the effect or non-effect of recording a Notice of Non-Responsibility with the Washoe County Recorder to ensure the Property would not be encumbered by mechanic's or architect's liens recorded by individuals or firm hired by CPD or BCS as contemplated by the Purchase Agreement.
- 7. On or before December 14, 2005, the Hale Lane law firm undertook representation of CPD and BCS, as Buyer, and myself, as Seller, in relation to obtaining the necessary Governmental Approvals and entitlements for the Property as contemplated by the Purchase Agreement.
- 8. At no time during the Hale Lane law firm's "fine tuning" of the Purchase Agreement or thereafter did I intend to become a Participating Seller.
- 9. My intention was to sell the Property. I did not intend to subject the Property to lien by participating in any of the Buyer's actions to development of the Property.
- 10. At no time did Karen D. Dennison, or any other attorney at Hale Lane law firm, advise me that by entering into Addendum No. 3, particularly with reference to paragraph 37(F), that I was becoming a Participating Seller and thereby

subjecting the Property to lien from vendors and service providers employed by CPD or BCS.

- 11. At no time did Karen D. Dennison, or any other attorney at the Hale Lane law firm, advise me of the consequences associated with becoming a Participating Seller.
- 12. At no time did Karen D. Dennison, or any other attorney at the Hale Lane law firm, advise me of the term "Participating Seller".
- 13. On November 7, 2006, an architect named Mark B. Steppan recorded a Mechanic's Lien against the Property claiming to be owed \$1,783,548.85.
- 14. I have personal knowledge of the statements contained in this Affidavit and could testify under oath and at hearing concerning these matters.

Further, your Affiant saeth naught.

John Iliescu, Jr.

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STATE OF NEVADA ) ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE )

On August 18, 2011, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared JOHN ILIESCU, JR., personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who executed the above instrument.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Sharon M. Lkeedson



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## **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

Summary judgment must be granted on all Iliescu's legal malpractice claims against Hale Lane. Iliescu cannot escape or pass on liability for any lien asserted against his property by alleging that his attorneys failed to advise him as to the consequences of his own personal interest in the property.

According to Nevada lien law, every improvement constructed upon property is deemed to have been constructed at the insistence of the owner of the property, and unless a Notice of Nonresponsibility is filed, the property may be subject to lien by a person who performed work thereon. NRS 108.234(1). A Notice of Nonresponsibility is only available to a "disinterested owner." NRS 108.234(2). If the owner in any way, either directly or indirectly, contracted for or caused the improvements, the owner is not considered a "disinterested owner" and cannot claim the protection of a Notice of Nonresponsibility. NRS 108.234(7).

In this case, Iliescu was at all times an "interested owner" under the terms of the Purchase Agreement and could not avoid a lien being asserted against his property. Iliescu's opposition admits that he entered into the Purchase Agreement. (Iliescu Opposition, p. 3:2-4.) He admits that the Purchase Agreement makes the purchase of the property contingent on the Buyer obtaining the necessary government entitlements. (*Id.*, p. 3:16-18.) He admits that he stood to gain more than \$7.5 million from the sale of the property, as well as a 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse overlooking all of Reno with four street level parking spots (valued at over \$2.2 million dollars). (*Id.*, p. 3:10-16.) Even though the contract ultimately fell through, he admits that valuable entitlements were obtained, which greatly increased the value of his property and which remain valid to this day. (*Id.*, p. 5:10-14.) He furthermore admits that he received approximately \$876,000 in cash and never had to convey the property to the Buyer. These undisputed facts compel entry of summary judgment in Hale Lane's favor because none of Hale Lane's actions caused a lien to be asserted against Iliescu's property and Iliescu has suffered no compensable damage.

As will be discussed more thoroughly below, Iliescu's opposition is deficient both procedurally and substantively. He concedes numerous dispositive facts and arguments, and

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LEMONS, GRUNDY 28 & EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 wholly fails to address other independent dispositive grounds for summary judgment. Where lliescu does attempt to draw distinctions, his analysis falls short of identifying any factual disputes that would preclude summary judgment. Because the essential elements of causation and damages are clearly lacking, Hale Lane is entitled to judgment as a matter of law.

## I. OBJECTIONS

1. Iliescu's affidavit should be excluded or otherwise disregarded by the court because Iliescu has failed to comply with NRCP 16.1(a)

Iliescu attaches an affidavit by himself in support of his opposition to summary judgment. (Iliescu Opposition, Exhibit 1.) Iliescu should be prohibited from submitting this affidavit or otherwise testifying in this matter pursuant to NRCP 16.1(e)(3)(B), because he has not been disclosed as a witness in this case.

NRCP 16.1(a) provides that a party must, without awaiting a discovery request, disclose and identify all witnesses that have discoverable information and who may be called to testify at trial. If a party or their lawyer fails to reasonably comply with NRCP 16.1(a), the court shall impose upon the party appropriate sanctions, including an order prohibiting the use of any witness who should have been disclosed pursuant to NRCP 16.1(a). NRCP 16.1(e)(3)(B).

Here, Iliescu has never served formal NRCP 16.1(a) initial disclosures upon Hale Lane. (See Affidavit of Chris Rusby,  $\P$ , attached as **Exhibit 17**.) Dr. John Iliescu has therefore never been disclosed as a potential witness by Iliescu in this case. Because Dr. John Iliescu, or any other witness for that matter, has not been disclosed by Iliescu, he should be prohibited from offering witness testimony in opposition to Hale Lane's motion for summary judgment or at trial. NRCP 16.1(e)(3)(B).

2. Iliescu has waived the arguments in his opposition by failing to cite any authority in support thereof

Both DCR 13(3) and WDCR 12(2) require a party to support an opposition to a motion with citation to facts and legal authority. The absence of such support "may be construed as an admission that the motion is meritorious and a consent to granting the same." DCR 13(3).

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Even though Iliescu is making legal arguments which he contends preclude summary judgment, not a single case is referenced or cited in Iliescu's opposition. Such arguments should be disregarded by the court and should be deemed waived. U.S. v. Calabrese, 825 F.2d 1342, 1346-47 (9th Cir. 1987) (failure to support argument by reason or authority waived argument).

#### **ILIESCU HAS FAILED TO OPPOSE HALE LANE'S MOTION IN SEVERAL RESPECTS** 11.

#### Iliescy Does Not Oppose Dismissal of His Action for Failure to Comply with 1. NRCP 16.1(c)

On July 22, 2011 Hale Lane filed supplemental points and authorities in support of its motion for summary judgment. (See Supplement to Motion for Summary Judgment, on file with the court.) Iliescu had not responded to the motion at the time, even though the motion had been filed 114 days prior.

The supplemental points and authorities cited NRCP 16.1(e)(2) as another independent and dispositive ground for dismissal. According to NRCP 16.1(e)(2), "if the plaintiff does not file a case conference report within 240 days after an appearance by a defendant, the case may be dismissed as to that defendant." The supplemental points and authorities demonstrated that more than 640 days had lapsed since Hale Lane filed its answer in this case and Iliescu had not filed a case conference report. To this day, Iliescu still has not filed a case conference report. Accordingly, Iliescu's claims should be dismissed pursuant to NRCP 16.1(e)(2). See also Moon v. McDonald, Carano & Wilson, 126 Nev. , 245 P.3d 1138, 1139 (2010); and Arnold v. Kip, 123 Nev. 410, 414, 168 P.3d 1050 (2007).

Despite being served with a copy of the supplemental points and authorities and the same being on file with the court, Iliescu's opposition does not address this basis for the dismissal of his action. The failure to respond to or oppose a dispositive basis for dismissal constitutes an admission that the motion is meritorious and his consent to granting the same. DCR 13(3). Therefore, Hale Lane's motion must be granted on this independent and dispositive ground for dismissal. See Foster v. Dingwall, \_\_ Nev. \_\_, 227 P.3d 1042, 1049 (2010), (citing King v. Cartlidge, 121 Nev. 926, 927, 124 P.3d 1161 (2005) (stating that an

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& EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 unopposed motion may be considered as an admission of merit and consent to grant the motion)).

2. Iliescu Does Not Dispute that Summary Judgment Should Be Entered on his Claims Related to an Alleged Conflict of Interest

On pages 11 and 12 of Hale Lane's motion for summary judgment, Hale Lane contended that summary judgment should be granted on Iliescu's claims related to a conflict of interest. Iliescu's opposition does not address or oppose this point. Iliescu's opposition only discusses his contention that Hale Lane's actions caused him to be a "Participating Owner." Accordingly, Iliescu's failure to oppose this portion of Hale Lane's motion constitutes an admission that the motion is meritorious and his consent to grant the motion in this respect. DCR 13(2); Foster v. Dingwall, 227 P.3d at 1049.

3. Iliescu Does Not Dispute that Summary Judgment Should Be Entered on his Claim for Attorney's Fees as Damages

On pages 10 and 11 of Hale Lane's motion for summary judgment, Hale Lane contended that attorney's fees are not allowable damages in this case. As discussed in the motion, it is well-established in Nevada that "in the absence of a rule, statute, or contract authorizing an award of attorney's fees, such fees may not be allowed." *See Lubritz v. Circus Circus Hotels*, 101 Nev. 109, 112, 693 P.2d 1261 (1985). Iliescu does not oppose this contention in his opposition. Nor does Iliescu identify any rule, statute, or contract which authorizes recovery of attorney's fees as damages in this case. Accordingly, Iliescu's failure to oppose this portion of Hale Lane's motion constitutes an admission that the motion is meritorious and his consent to grant the motion in this respect. DCR 13(2); *Foster v. Dingwall*, 227 P.3d at 1049.

III. THE UNDISPUTED FACTS ESTABLISH THAT HALE LANE DID NOT CAUSE ILIESCU HARM AND, THEREFORE, HALE LANE IS ENTITLED TO JUDGMENT AS A MATTER OF LAW ON ALL ILIESCU'S CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

Iliescu's complaint asserts two claims for relief against Hale Lane: (1) professional malpractice; and (2) negligence. His claims are rooted in the misguided notion that Hale Lane

could have protected Iliescu from Steppen's lien by recording a Notice of Nonresponsibility pursuant to NRS 108.234. As demonstrated in Hale Lane's motion for summary judgment, Iliescu as an "interested owner" is not eligible for the protection of a Notice of Nonresponsibility and, thus, could not avoid a lien from being asserted against his property. Iliescu's opposition concedes this dispositive fact and, in fact, agrees to withdraw these allegations from his complaint. (Iliescu Opposition, pp. 2:8-12; 7:12-19; 8:1-2; and 8:11-14.) This concession by itself, warrants the entry of summary judgment on all Iliescu's claims for relief, because under no circumstances could Hale Lane have prevented a lien from being recorded against Iliescu's property.

Even though Iliescu concedes that he was not entitled to the protection of a Notice of Nonresponsibility, he contends that Hale Lane should be liable for the lien because it "failed to advise him that by signing Addendum No. 3, Iliescu became a Participating Seller and therefore subjecting the Property to lien." (*Id.*, p. 2:15-19.) This contention is apparently based on the language in Addendum No. 3 which states that (1) the offer is contingent upon the buyer obtaining all the necessary government approvals; and (2) that the offer requires buyer to use its best efforts to obtain the government approvals. (*Id.*, pp. 3:18-4:15.) According to Iliescu's opposition, it was at this point that Iliescu became a "participating seller," and not at any time prior thereto. (*Id.*, pp. 2:16-19; 6:18-25; and 8:8-11.) This contention is unsupportable for two reasons.

First, this contention overlooks the fact that the original Purchase Agreement signed and negotiated by Iliescu himself, before Hale Lane was even involved, made Iliescu an "interested owner" and "participating seller." Page 14 of the July 21, 2005, Purchase Agreement contains the language: "This offer is contingent upon Buyer at Buyer's expense, obtaining the following governmental approvals within 270 days of acceptance of this agreement." (See Exhibit 5 to Hale Lane's Motion.) Iliescu himself negotiated the July 21 Purchase Agreement, without any involvement by Hale Lane. Hale Lane was engaged several months later merely to fine tune the Purchase Agreement which was already in place and agreed to the by parties. (Exhibit 6 to Hale Lane's Motion.) Therefore, Iliescu was a

LEMONS, GRUNDY & EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 "participating seller" long before any participation by Hale Lane.

Additionally, the inclusion in Addendum No. 3 of the language "Buyer shall use its best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent" is not the triggering language that made Iliescu a participating seller as Iliescu contends. The requirement that the Buyer use its best efforts is implied, even though not explicitly stated, in the original Purchase Agreement. It is well-established that a party to a contract has an implied obligation to use reasonable efforts to satisfy any conditions precedent. *See Western Hills v. Pfau*, 508 P.2d 201, 203 (Or. 1973) (court held that defendants had a similar duty, arising by implication, to make a reasonable effort to secure the city's approval of a planned development). Accordingly, the addition of this language by Addendum No. 3 did not add anything to the Purchase Agreement that was not already a material term.

Furthermore, the nature of the Purchase Agreement required Iliescu to assist the buyer in obtaining the necessary government approvals, thereby requiring his participation as the property owner. Because the purchase was contingent and title did not pass with the Purchase Agreement, Iliescu was required to authorize any application for the governmental approvals. Without such authorization, the Buyer would not even be allowed to apply for the entitlements. Iliescu satisfied this obligation by executing the necessary Owner Affidavits which are attached as Exhibit 9 to Hale Lane's motion. (*See also* Iliescu Opposition, p. 4:16-23.) Iliescu also attended the City of Reno Planning Commission meetings to ensure that the entitlements would be obtained. (*Id.*, p. 5:10-13.) Thus, by the very essence of the transaction Iliescu was required to become a "participating seller." Iliescu could not have escaped this obligation without breaching the terms of the Purchase Agreement which he negotiated and agreed upon prior to Hale Lane's involvement. Accordingly, Iliescu was at all times a participating seller and Hale Lane's fine tuning of the Purchase Agreement did not trigger the right to lien his property.

Second, Nevada's lien statute makes it clear that the only way a property owner may avoid liability for improvements made to the property at the request of another, is by being a "disinterested owner" and by recording a Notice of Nonresponsibility. NRS 108.234(1). By

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& EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 definition, Iliescu was not a "disinterested owner" because he had a real and substantial interest in the completion of the sale which required the entitlements to be obtained. He stood to gain approximately \$7.5 million cash from the sale of the property, as well as a 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse overlooking all of Reno with four street level parking spots (valued at over \$2.2 million dollars). Even though the contract ultimately fell through, he received approximately \$876,000 in cash and continues to hold title to the property. Valuable entitlements were also obtained for his property, which greatly increased its value and which remain valid to this day. Iliescu admits all of these facts. (Iliescu Opposition, pp. 3:2-18 and 5:10-14.) Therefore, by definition, Iliescu was at all times an "interested owner" and could not have prevented a lien for the improvements which he agreed to.

lliescu's own actions and what he stood to gain from the transaction subjected him to liability for Steppan's lien, not any alleged subsequent negligence by Hale Lane. Iliescu would be liable for Steppan's lien by the very nature of the Purchase Agreement. Consequentially, Hale Lane is entitled to judgment as a matter of law because the essential elements of causation and damages are clearly lacking.

## IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, third party defendant, Hale Lane respectfully requests that summary judgment be entered dismissing all of Iliescu's third party claims against Hale Lane.

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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Thereafter, on August 18, 2011, Third-Party Plaintiffs JOHN ILIESCU, JR. and SONNIA ILIESCU, individually, and as Trustee of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Plaintiffs") filed an Opposition and Response to Third-Party Defendant Hale Lane's Motion for Summary Judgment Regarding Third-Party Claims by John Iliescu. Subsequently, on August 29, 2011, Defendants filed a Reply in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment Regarding Third-Party Claims by John Iliescu. Contemporaneously with their Reply, Defendants also filed a Request for Submission, thereby submitting the matter for the Court's consideration. Later that same day, Plaintiffs filed an Opposition to Supplement to Third-Party Defendant Hale Lane's Motion for Summary Judgment Regarding Third-Party Claims by John Iliescu.

# I. Factual & Procedural Background

This matter comes before the Court as the result of a 2005 property transaction that fell through, involving a parcel of property located in downtown Reno, which Plaintiffs owned and was to be developed by a group of developers headed by Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. (hereinafter "Developers"). As part of that transaction, Plaintiffs agreed to sell the parcel of property at issue to the Developers, who would then use the property to construct a high-rise condominium project known as Wingfield Tower.

The Developers first contacted Plaintiffs about purchasing the parcel of property in July of 2005, when the Developers contacted Plaintiffs through their broker, Sam Canglia. Following this contact, on July 29, 2005, the Developers and Plaintiffs, acting without the assistance of counsel, executed a form agreement prepared by Dick Johnson in order to facilitate the sale of the property. That contract provided that Developers would purchase the property from Plaintiffs for \$7.5 million, with a \$500,000 non-refundable cash deposit to be paid to Plaintiffs in advance, as well as Plaintiffs receiving a 3,750 square foot penthouse and four parking spaces, valued at \$2.2 million, upon the completion of construction. However, the sale was contingent upon Developers obtaining the necessary entitlement and permits from the City of Reno, with which Plaintiffs were to assist. Furthermore, the Contract afforded Developers 270 days to obtain the requisite

entitlements, while allowing an extension of time at the cost of \$50,000 per 30 days; otherwise, the Developers would forfeit their \$500,000 deposit.

Following the execution of the form contract, the Parties realized that it was inadequate for the magnitude of the deal they were entering into. Consequently, the Parties elected to hire legal counsel to assist in supplementing the contract. As a result, Dick Johnson brought the contract to Ms. Dennison, who then prepared Addendum No. 3, which sought to clarify the contract and its terms. Included in these clarifications was a clause that recognized obtaining the necessary entitlements was a condition precedent to the completion of the sale, and that the Developers would use their "best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent." Addendum No. 3 further specified Plaintiffs' interest in completing the sale because of their ability to select the penthouse of their choice. Following, on October 8, 2005, the Parties executed Addendum No. 3.

Thereafter, the Developers sought an architect to help in obtaining the required entitlements. In doing so, the Developers hired Fisher Friedman & Associates, to design the building, prepare the architectural plans, and present the information to the Reno City Council for approval, which it did. Nevertheless, during this process, Plaintiffs signed a conflict waiver permitting Defendants to assist Developers in obtaining the necessary entitlements. Moreover, Plaintiffs actively participated in the application process by submitting an affidavit permitting Developers to submit an application to the City of Reno on Plaintiffs' behalf and by attending all public hearings on the matter. Subsequently, the City acted to approve the project and authorized the necessary entitlements.

Then, some sixteen months following the commencement of the project, Developers defaulted when they were unable to obtain the necessary financing to conclude the sale of the property. As a consequence of this default, Developers were unable to pay Fisher Friedman & Associates for the services rendered. This caused Fisher Friedman & Associates to file a \$1.8 million mechanics lien against the property.

Following the recording of this lien, the Parties approached Defendants to help resolve the issue. In doing so, the Parties executed a second conflict waiver. Defendants

then brokered an indemnity agreement between the Parties, whereby Developers, including Co-Third Party Defendant John Schleining, agreed to indemnify Plaintiffs against any harm that might occur as a result of the lien. Furthermore, the indemnity agreement also provided that Developers would work to discharge the lien on Plaintiffs' behalf at no expense to Plaintiffs. As a result, acting on Plaintiffs' behalf, Defendants then filed an application for release of the lien. This in turn caused Fisher Friedman & Associates to file a complaint against Plaintiffs in order to foreclose on the lien.

Subsequently, on September 27, 2007, Plaintiffs filed their third-party complaint against Defendants, alleging causes of action for legal malpractice and negligence. Plaintiffs premised their third-party complaint on allegations that Defendants committed legal malpractice by failing to file a Notice of Nonresponsibility pursuant to NRS 108.234. Defendants have now moved for summary judgment on the matter, arguing that Plaintiffs' claims fail as a matter of law, as there is no evidence of causation or that Plaintiffs suffered damages. Moreover, Defendants assert that because Plaintiffs executed two conflict waivers, any claim relating to a conflict of interest must fail. Finally, Defendants assert that the Court should dismiss Plaintiffs' claims for failure to comply with NRCP 16.1.

# II. Standard of Review

A court should only grant summary judgment when, based upon the pleadings and discovery on file, no genuine issue of material fact exists for trial and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. NRCP 56(c). A genuine issue of material fact exists when a reasonable jury could return a verdict in favor of the nonmoving party. *Kopicko v. Young*, 114 Nev. 1333, 1336, 971 P.2d 789, 790 (1998). Summary judgment is properly regarded not as a disfavored procedural shortcut, but rather as an integral part of civil procedure as a whole. *Celotex Corp. v. Catrett*, 477 U.S. 317, 327, 106 S.Ct. 2548, 2555 (1986).

In reviewing a motion for summary judgment, the Court must view the evidence, and any reasonable inference drawn there from, in the light most favorable to the nonmoving party. *Lipps v. S. Nev. Paving*, 116 Nev. 497, 498, 998 P.2d 1183, 1184

(2000). However, the nonmoving party may not avoid summary judgment by relying "on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation, and conjecture." *Pegasus v. Reno Newspapers, Inc.*, 118 Nev. 706, 713-14, 57 P.3d 82, 87 (2002) (quoting *Collins v. Union Fed. Sav. & Loan*, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983). Rather, the nonmoving party must, by affidavit or otherwise, set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial. *Pegasus*, 118 Nev. at 713, 57 P.3d at 87.

## III. <u>Legal Analysis</u>

As noted above, Defendants presently seek an order from the Court granting summary judgment on Plaintiffs' claims for legal malpractice and negligence. Specifically, Defendants argue that the claims of Plaintiffs fail as a matter of law because Plaintiffs were not eligible to file a Notice of Nonresponsibility as they were "Interested Owners," and thus, no evidence of causation exists. In addition, Defendants assert that even if Plaintiffs were not "Interested Owners," no evidence of damages exists because Plaintiffs received a substantial benefit from the actions of Fisher Friedman & Associates, and because Defendants and Mr. Schleining have reached an agreement releasing the lien without any cost to Plaintiffs. Furthermore, Defendants assert that because Plaintiffs executed two conflict waivers, any claim relating to a conflict of interest must fail. Finally, as an alternative theory, Defendants assert that pursuant to NRCP 16.1(e), the Court should dismiss Plaintiffs' claims as Plaintiffs failed to file a case conference report within 240 days following Defendants' appearance as required by NRCP 16.1(c).

In opposition to Defendants' arguments, Plaintiffs merely assert that Defendants breached the legal duties owed to Plaintiffs by failing to advise Plaintiffs to avoid actively participating in the sale of the property. In addition, Plaintiffs assert that the Court should not dismiss their claims pursuant to NRCP 16.1 because this matter has been ongoing for the past four years and there is still time to hold a case conference report. The Court will address each matter as follows:

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## a. Conflict of Interest

As it pertains to Plaintiffs' claims regarding a conflict of interest, Defendants argue that such claims must fail as a matter of law because Plaintiffs suffered no compensable harm as a result of the conflict and because Plaintiffs knowingly executed two conflict waivers in accordance with NRPC 1.7(b), waving the conflict of which Plaintiffs now complain. To this argument, Plaintiffs have not raised any opposition. Accordingly, the Court must find that Defendants' Motion, as it relates to the conflict of interest claims, is meritorious. Accordingly, to the extent Defendants seek summary judgment on this issue, their Motion shall be granted.

# b. Legal Malpractice & Negligence

In order to recover under the theories of legal malpractice and negligence, Plaintiffs must demonstrate: (1) the existence of an attorney client relationship; (2) a duty owed to the client by the attorney to use such skill prudence, and diligence as lawyers of ordinary skill and capacity possess in exercising and performing the tasks which they undertake; (3) a breach of that duty; (4) that the lawyer's negligence was the proximate cause of the client's damages; and (5) actual loss or damage resulting from the negligence. *Mainor v. Nault*, 120 Nev. 750, 774, 101 P.3d 308, 324 (2004). Accordingly, where there is no evidence of causation or damages, a claim for legal malpractice or negligence must fail as a matter of law.

In the instant case, Plaintiffs assert that Defendants breached the duty of care owed to Plaintiffs by failing to file a Notice of Nonresponsibility and by failing to advise Plaintiffs not to actively participate in the sale of the property at issue. Plaintiffs further assert that this caused them to suffer damages, in that Defendants' failure permitted Fisher Friedman & Associates to file a lien against Plaintiffs' property and forced Plaintiffs to incur the legal expenses of fighting that lien. In contrast, Defendants assert that when they became involved in the matter, Plaintiffs had already become active participants in the sale of the property, and therefore, there is nothing Defendants could have done to protect Plaintiffs' interests. Accordingly, the proper question before the Court is whether Plaintiffs were

eligible for the protections afforded by a Notice of Nonresponsibility at the time Defendants became involved in the case.

Pursuant to NRS 108.234(2), a "disinterested owner" can avoid a lien from attaching to his property by filing a Notice of Nonresponsibility within three days after learning that improvements are being made to his property. However, in order to qualify as a "disinterested owner" the property owner must be one who: "(a) Does not record a notice of waiver as provided in NRS 108.2405; and (b) Does not personally or through an agent or representative, directly or indirectly, contract for or cause a work of improvement, or any portion thereof, to be constructed, altered or repaired upon the property or an improvement of the owner." NRS 108.234(7).

As applied to the instant matter, this Court must find that Plaintiffs were no longer "disinterested owners" at the time Defendants became involved in the case. This is because the undisputed evidence before the Court demonstrates that Plaintiffs entered into a contract with Developers for improvements to the property even before Defendants became involved in the matter. Plaintiffs negotiated and signed this contract by themselves. Furthermore, that contract contained language that required Plaintiffs to participate actively in the development of the property. Specifically, the language within the original contract made the offer contingent upon obtaining the necessary government approvals, with which Plaintiffs were required to assist. Moreover, the Court will note that as a result of those negotiations, Plaintiffs were to receive some \$7.5 million in payments and a penthouse valued at approximately \$2.2 million. Accordingly, these actions clearly demonstrate that Plaintiffs personally contracted for and were to benefit from the improvements to their property, thus making Plaintiffs "interested owners" before Defendants had any part in the matter.

It was only after Plaintiffs and Developers completed their negotiations that Defendants became involved in the matter in order to "fine tune" the agreement. However, because Plaintiffs had already become "interested owners" at that point in time, there is nothing Defendants could have said or done to avoid the existing contract. *See* 

1 2 Cal.Rptr.2d 641 (2003); see also Verdi Lumber Co. v. Bartlett, 40 Nev. 317, 161 P. 933, 934-35 (1916). Therefore, the Court must conclude that Defendants' alleged malpractice 3 was not the cause of Plaintiffs' injuries. Furthermore, there is nothing more Plaintiffs could 4 allege to fix this problem. Consequently, the Court believes that the grant of summary 5 6

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judgment in favor of Defendants is appropriate. c. NRCP 16.1

As a final matter, the Court will turn its attention to those NRCP 16.1 arguments raised by Defendants. Under this rule, once the parties hold their early case conference, the plaintiff must file a case conference report within 30 days thereof. NRCP 16.1(c); see also Moon v. McDonald Carano & Wilson, 245 P.3d 1138, 1139 (Nev. 2010). If the plaintiff fails to make such a filing within 240 days following the defendant's first appearance, upon motion or its own initiative, the Court may dismiss the case without prejudice as to that defendant. NRCP 16.1 (e)(2).

Howard S. Wright Construction Co. v. Superior Court, 106 Cal.App.4th 314, 321, 130

As applied to the instant matter, this Court must find that the claims of Plaintiffs are subject to dismissal pursuant to NRCP 16.1(e)(2). As the Court recognized above, it was on September 27, 2007, that Plaintiffs filed their third-party complaint against Defendants. However, because of a stipulation between the Parties, Defendants did not file their answer until October 7, 2009. Based on this date, Plaintiffs had at the latest, until June 4, 2010, to file their case conference report. Nevertheless, as of August 30, 2011, Plaintiffs have yet to file the required report. Accordingly, more than 690 days have passed since Defendants' appearance without Plaintiffs having filed their case conference report as required by NRCP 16.1(c). Furthermore, Plaintiffs have not offered a single reason for their failure to do so. Instead, Plaintiffs merely assert that this matter has been ongoing for more than four years and that there is still time to file a report following another case conference. In the Court's view, such an argument is unpersuasive and fails to justify Plaintiffs' failure. Given this analysis, the Court is inclined to grant Defendants' Motion.

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#### **IV.** Conclusion

After reviewing the Parties' arguments, this Court must conclude that the undisputed evidence, when viewed in the light most favorable to Plaintiffs, demonstrates that Defendants' Motion should be granted in its entirety. Accordingly, the Court shall enter the following order:

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment Regarding Third-Party Claims by John Iliescu is **GRANTED**.

**DATED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of August 2011.

STEVEN P. ELLIOTT District Judge

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court by using the ECF system which served the following parties electronically:

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THOMAS HALL, ESQ. for TRUSTEE OF THE JOHN ILIESCU, JR. & SONNIA ILLIESCU, JOHN ILIESCU, JR., SONNIA ILIESCU

DAVID GRUNDY, ESQ. for KAREN DENNISON, HOLLAND & HART, LLP, JERRY SNYDER, R. HOWARD, HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON HOWARD

MICHAEL HOY, ESQ. for MARK STEPPAN

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 2011.

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Judicial Assistant

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# Trial Exhibit 5

#### Steppan v. Iliescu, Case No. CV07-00341

#### Trial Exhibit 5

(Originally Exhibit A to Answers to Interrogatories)

## Computation of Prejudgment Interest

Interest computed thru:	12/9/13
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Invoice	Interest	Interest	Cumulative	Principal	Principal	Days	Interest
Date	From	То	Principal	Received	Owed		18%
5/18/06	6/17/06	8/18/06	481,275.00	(380,870.00)	100,405.00	62	3,112.56
7/19/06	8/18/06	9/22/06	581,670.00	(380,870.00)	200,800.00	35	3,514.00
8/23/06	9/22/06	10/21/06	923,841.00	(380,870.00)	542,971.00	29	7,873.08
9/21/06	10/21/06	11/24/06	1,266,012.00	(380,870.00)	885,142.00	34	15,047.43
10/25/06	11/24/06	12/21/06	1,608,183.00	(380,870.00)	1,227,313.00	27	16,568.73
11/21/06	12/21/06	12/9/13	2,070,000.00	(380,870.00)	1,689,130.00	2545	2,149,417.93
Interest: 0515	(Primarty Design	)					2,195,533.70
Invoice	Interest	Interest	Billed	Principal	Principal	Days	Interest
Date	From	То	Principal	Received	Owed		18%
4/19/06	5/19/06	12/9/13	13,761.16	13,134.75	626.41	2761	864.76
7/19/06	8/18/06	12/9/13	869.08	-	869.08	2670	1,160.22
8/23/06	9/22/06	12/9/13	523.70	-	523.70	2635	689.9
9/21/06	10/21/06	12/9/13	943.87	-	943.87	2606	1,229.86
11/21/06	12/21/06	12/9/13	1,153.00	-	1,153.00	2545	1,467.19
12/22/06	1/21/07	12/9/13	553.81	-	553.81	2514	696.14
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9/21/06	10/21/06	12/9/13	1,392.50	-	1,392.50	2606	529.2
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10/25/06	11/24/06	12/9/13	1,800.00	-	1,800.00	2572	675.15
11/21/06	12/21/06	12/9/13	1,980.00	-	1,980.00	2545 _	734.87
Interest 0515-	05 (City Staff Com	nments)					13,959.35
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# In the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada Court

Appeal No. 68346

JOHN ILIESCU, JR., individually; John Iliescu Jr. and Sonnia Santee Iliescu, as trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR. AND SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST AGREEMENT,

Appellants,

VS.

MARK B. STEPPAN,

Respondent.

## Respondent's Appendix Volume 1

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2	Cross-Claimant,
3	VS.
4	HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON AND HOWARD PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, a Nevada professional
5	corporation, dba HALE LANE and DOES XXI – XXX, inclusive,
6	Cross-Defendant.
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8	JOHN SCHLEINING,
9	Third-Party Plaintiff,
10	vs.
11 12	HOLLAND & HART, LLP, a professional corporation, R. CRAIG HOWARD and DOES XXXI – XL, inclusive,
13	Third-Party Defendants.
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15	JOHN SCHLEINING'S ANSWER TO THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT, CROSS-CLAIM
16	AND THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT
17	ANSWER TO THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT
18	Third-Party Defendant JOHN SCHLEINING ("Schleining") by and through his attorneys
19	WILSON & QUINT LLP, hereby answers the THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT filed by Third-
20	Party Plaintiffs JOHN ILIESCU, JR. and SONNIA ILIESCU, individually and as Trustees of the
21	John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust Agreement (collectively "Iliescu") and in
22	support thereof, admit, deny and allege as follows.
23	PARTIES
24	1. Answering paragraph 1, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form
25	an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
26	2. Answering paragraph 2, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form
7	an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
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- 3. Answering paragraph 3, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 4. Answering paragraph 4, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
  - 5. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 5.
- 6. Answering paragraph 6, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
  - 7. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 7.
  - 8. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 8.
  - 9. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 9.
- 10. Answering paragraph 10, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
  - 11. Schleining denies the allegations contained in paragraph 11.

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 12. Answering paragraph 12, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 13. Answering paragraph 13, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 14. Answering paragraph 14, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 15. Answering paragraph 15, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 16. Answering paragraph 16, Schleining admits that the Purchase Agreement, as amended, included an Addendum No. 1 and Addendum No. 2. Schleining alleges that the Purchase Agreement and Addenda speak for themselves. Other than as specifically admitted or alleged, Schleining denies the allegations contained in paragraph 16.
- 17. Answering paragraph 17, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.

- 18. Answering paragraph 18, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 19. Answering paragraph 19, Schleining admits that an Addendum No. 3 was prepared. Schleining alleges that Addendum No. 3 speaks for itself. Other than as specifically admitted or alleged, Schleining denies the allegations contained in paragraph 19.
- Answering paragraph 20, Schleining admits the first sentence thereof but denies that Calvin Baty was ever a "purchaser". Schleining further admits that a copy of a December 14, 2005 letter is attached as Exhibit A to the Complaint. Schleining alleges that Exhibit A speaks for itself. Other than as specifically admitted or alleged, Schleining denies the allegations contained in paragraph 20.
- 21. Answering paragraph 21, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 22. Answering paragraph 22, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 23. Answering paragraph 23, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 24. Answering paragraph 24, Schleining admits the allegations contained in the first two sentences thereof. Other than as specifically admitted, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 24 and therefore denies said allegations.
  - 25. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 25.
- 26. Answering paragraph 26, Schleining alleges that the Mechanic's Lien speaks for itself. Other than as specifically alleged, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 26 and therefore denies said allegations.
- 27. Answering paragraph 27, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
  - 28. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 28.

- 29. Answering paragraph 29, Schleining admits that an Addendum No. 4 to the Purchase Agreement was prepared by Hale Lane, et al. Other than as specifically admitted, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 29 and therefore denies said allegations.
- 30. Answering paragraph 30, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 31. Answering paragraph 31, Schleining admits that Hale Lane, et al. and R. Craig Howard prepared an indemnity agreement for their clients, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit C to the Third-Party Complaint. Other than as specifically admitted, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 31 and therefore denies said allegations.
- 32. Answering paragraph 32, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
- 33. Answering paragraph 33, Schleining lacks sufficient information and belief to form an opinion as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies said allegations.
  - 34. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 34.
  - 35. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 35.
- 36. The allegations contained in paragraph 36 are legal conclusions to which no response is required.

### ANSWER TO FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- 37. Answering paragraph 37, Schleining realleges and incorporates herein by reference his responses to paragraphs 1 through 36, inclusive, as though fully set forth.
  - 38. Schleining admits the allegations of paragraph 38.
- 39. Answering paragraph 39, Schleining admits that Third-Party Plaintiffs so contend. Other than as specifically admitted, Schleining denies the allegations contained in paragraph 39.
- 40. Answering paragraph 40, Schleining admits that he disputes Iliescu's interpretation and assertion of rights.

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Answering paragraph 41, Schleining denies that a judicial declaration of the 41. parties' respective rights, duties and obligations is appropriate under the circumstances alleged in the Third-Party Complaint.

#### ANSWER TO SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- Answering paragraph 42, Schleining realleges and incorporates herein by reference 42. his responses to paragraphs 1 through 41, inclusive, as though fully set forth.
- Schleining denies the allegations contained in paragraph 43. Without limiting the 43. generality of the foregoing, Schleining denies that he has any obligation whatsoever to indemnify Iliescu under any circumstances, or that he is liable to Iliescu in any amount whatsoever.

### ANSWER TO THIRD THROUGH SIXTH CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

Neither the Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Claims For Relief purport to allege any 44. claims against Schleining. Therefore, Schleining need not respond to the factual allegations set forth therein.

WHEREFORE, Schleining prays for judgment as hereinafter set forth.

### SEPARATE, ADDITIONAL AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

Schleining further alleges the following as his separate, additional and affirmative defenses to the causes of action alleged in the Third-Party Complaint.

- 1. The Third-Party Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted against Schleining.
- The claims alleged in the Third-Party Complaint are barred by the doctrine of 2. unclean hands.
  - 3. The claims alleged in the Third-Party Complaint are barred by the doctrine of laches.
- 4. The claims alleged in the Third-Party Complaint are barred by the doctrines of waiver, release, acquiescence or ratification.
- The claims alleged in the Third-Party Complaint are barred by the doctrine of 5. estoppel.
- 6. The claims alleged in the Third-Party Complaint are barred by the doctrine of superior equities.

- 7. Third-Party Plaintiffs have failed to take reasonable action to mitigate their alleged damages, if any, and therefore the contracts alleged in the Third-Party Complaint are void, unenforceable and exonerated as to Schleining.
- 8. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint because of the absence of consideration, insufficiency of consideration or failure of consideration for the alleged indemnity agreement.
- 9. Third-Party Plaintiffs failed to disclose to Schleining facts known to Third-Party Plaintiffs as to Third-Party Plaintiffs' conduct with respect to the transactions alleged in the Third-Party Complaint at such times when Third-Party Plaintiffs had reason to believe such facts materially increased the risk beyond which Schleining intended to assume, at which times Third-Party Plaintiffs had reason to believe that such facts were unknown to Schleining, and at which times Third-Party Plaintiffs had reasonable opportunities to communicate such facts to Schleining. Third-Party Plaintiffs breached their legal duties to Schleining by such failures to disclose. The indemnity agreement alleged in the Third-Party Complaint is therefore void, unenforceable and exonerated as to Schleining.
- 10. Third-Party Plaintiffs breached the covenant of good faith and fair dealing implied in the contracts alleged in the Third-Party Complaint and therefore such contracts are void, unenforceable and exonerated as to Schleining.
- 11. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint by the doctrine of mutual mistake.
- 12. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint by the doctrine of unilateral mistake.
- 13. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint because Schleining has been discharged and exonerated from any and all obligations and duties arising out of the indemnity agreement alleged in the Third-Party Complaint.
- 14. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party

  Complaint because Schleining is excused from performance on any indemnity agreement between

  Schleining and Third-Party Plaintiffs by reason of mistake of fact or mistake of law.

- 15. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint because the indemnity agreement alleged in the Third-Party Complaint is void and/or unenforceable.
- 16. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint because the indemnity agreement alleged in the Third-Party Complaint with Schleining and others, as written and as performed by Third-Party Plaintiffs, is unconscionable.
- 17. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint because Third-Party Plaintiffs substantially and materially breached their agreements with Defendants, Schleining, and others, which conduct extinguishes Third-Party Plaintiffs' right to maintain its claim against Schleining.
- 18. Third-Party Plaintiffs are barred from the relief requested in the Third-Party Complaint because of Third-Party Plaintiffs' misrepresentations, concealments and false promises.
- 19. Schleining reserves his right to amend this Answer to allege additional affirmative defenses in light of the subsequently discovered or appreciated facts.

WHEREFORE, Third-Party Defendant JOHN SCHLEINING prays for judgment as follows.

- 1. That Third-Party Plaintiffs take nothing by reason of their Third-Party Complaint and that judgment be entered thereon in favor of Schleining;
  - 2. For costs of suit incurred in this action;
  - 3. For his attorney's fees and costs to the extent permitted by law, contract, or equity; and
- 4. For such other and further relief as may be deemed just and proper in the circumstances.

# CROSS-CLAIM OF JOHN SCHLEINING AGAINST HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON AND HOWARD

Schleining JOHN SCHLEINING, by and through his counsel, alleges as follows.

#### **PARTIES**

1. Schleining JOHN SCHLEINING is an individual and resident of the State of Oregon.

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Schleining is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that Cross-Defendant HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON AND HOWARD ("Hale Lane") is and was at all relevant times a Nevada professional corporation doing business as a firm of lawyers licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada.

- Schleining is unaware of the true names or capacities of persons or entities sued 3. herein as DOES XXI - XXX, inclusive, and therefore sues said persons or entities by such fictitious names. Schleining is informed and believes and therefore alleges that each of said DOE Cross-Defendants' wrongful acts or omissions proximately caused the injuries alleged herein by Schleining.
- 4. Schleining reserves his right to amend his Cross-Claim after the identities of said DOE Cross-Defendants and the nature of their wrongful acts becomes known.
- Schleining is informed and believes and therefore alleges that at all times relevant 5. herein each of the Cross-Defendants was the agent, partner or employee of each of the other Cross-Defendants and, in committing the acts or omissions hereinafter alleged, was acting within the course and scope of such agency, partnership or employment.

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 6. Schleining is informed and believes and therefore alleges that on or about August 2005, John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu, as Trustees of the John Iliescu Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust Agreement, John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu (collectively "Iliescu") entered into a contract to sell certain real property located in Washoe County commonly known as 219 Court Street, Reno, Nevada, 0 Court Street, Reno, Nevada, and 223 Court Street, Reno, Nevada (collectively "the Property") to Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. ("CPD"). That contract, as subsequently modified and/or amended, is hereafter referred to as the "Purchase Agreement".
- 7. Schleining is informed and believes and therefore alleges that on or before September 22, 2005, Iliescu retained Hale Lane to represent them in connection with the Purchase Agreement and the sale of the Property to CPD and that Hale Lane continued to represent Iliescu as their lawyers at all relevant times thereafter.

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- 8. Schleining is informed and believes and therefore alleges that, on or before December 14, 2005, CPD and Calvin Baty retained Hale Lane to represent them and their successors-in-interest in connection with their acquisition of the Property under the Purchase Agreement, and that said representation included but was not limited to obtaining certain entitlements on the Property.
- 9. CPD assigned its rights in and under the Purchase Agreement to DeCal Custom Homes and Construction ("DeCal"), an entity owned and controlled by Schleining. Thereafter, Calvin Baty, Sam Caniglia, President of CPD, and Schleining formed BSC Financial, LLC ("BSC"). DeCal thereafter assigned its rights in and under the Purchase Agreement to BSC and continued with the task of obtaining the necessary entitlements on the Property as contemplated by the Purchase Agreement.
- 10. Upon obtaining the assignment of the buyers' rights in and under the Purchase Agreement and prior to December 8, 2006, Schleining, Baty, and BSC retained Hale Lane to represent them as purchasers of the Property and in connection with obtaining the desired entitlements. At all relevant times thereafter, Hale Lane continued to represent Iliescu as sellers of the Property on the one hand and Schleining, Baty, and BSC as buyers of the Property on the other hand.
- 11. On or about November 7, 2006, Architect Mark Steppan ("Steppan") recorded a mechanic's lien on the Property. In that mechanic's lien, Steppan claimed he was owed in excess of \$1.7 million for work performed for the benefit of the Property.

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Negligent Misrepresentation)

- 12. Schleining realleges and incorporates herein as though fully set forth paragraphs 1 through 11 of this Cross-Claim.
- 13. On or about December 8, 2006, following the recordation of the mechanic's lien by Steppan, Hale Lane, acting on behalf of its Iliescu clients, prepared a document entitled "Indemnity". A true and correct copy of the Indemnity is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth.

14. The Indemnity provides, in pertinent part, at paragraph 1:

"Indemnity. Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby, jointly and severally, agree to indemnify, defend, protect and hold Iliescu harmless against all damages, losses, expenses, costs, liabilities, including, without limitation, payments due or which may be due to the architect [Steppan] ...."

- 15. On or about December 8, 2006, Hale Lane presented the Indemnity to Schleining for signature. At that time, Hale Lane was purporting to act as lawyers both for Iliescu as indemnitees and for Schleining, Baty and BSC as indemnitors.
- 16. In order to induce their client Schleining to sign the Indemnity, Hale Lane negligently represented to Schleining and advised him as follows: (1) as a result of their legal research, Hale Lane had concluded that Steppan had no right to record or enforce a lien against the Property because Steppan had failed to serve or record the required pre-lien notices; (2) under no circumstances could Steppan obtain a judgment against Iliescu as owners of the Property and (3) Schleining would have absolutely "no exposure" to Iliescu if he signed the Indemnity. Hale Lane then asked and advised Schleining to sign the Indemnity.
- 17. The representations and legal advice made by Hale Lane to Schleining set forth in paragraph 16 above were false and negligently made. For example and without limitation, as this Court has found, Steppan's mechanic's lien is enforceable notwithstanding Steppan's failure to serve or record pre-lien notices and therefore Schleining may have exposure to Iliescu under the Indemnity.
- 18. At the time Hale Lane made the misrepresentations and rendered the advice set forth in paragraph 16 above, Hale Lane did not have sufficient basis or information on which to make such representations and render such legal advice and Hale Lane failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in so doing.
- 19. Schleining was ignorant of the falsity of Hale Lane's representations. Given the nature of his relationship with Hale Lane, Schleining justifiably relied on Hale Lane's representations and advice. Schleining executed the Indemnity in reliance on Hale Lane's representations and advice.

20. As a direct, proximate and consequential result of executing the Indemnity, Schleining has been damaged in an amount in excess of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

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(Breach of Fiduciary Duty)

- 21. Schleining realleges and incorporates herein as though fully set forth paragraphs 1 through 20 of this Cross-Claim.
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- a. By failing to advise Schleining that there was an inherent conflict of interest in Hale Lane's joint representation of Schleining, Baty and BSC as indemnitors and Iliescu as indemnitees;
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- c. By favoring the interests of its indemnitee clients, Iliescu, over the interests of its indemnitor clients, Schleining, Baty and BSC;
- d. By advising Schleining to sign and asking Schleining to sign the Indemnity when it was not in Schleining's best interest to do so; and
  - e. By violating Nevada Rule of Professional Conduct 1.7.
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### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

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- 25. Schleining realleges and incorporates herein as though fully set forth paragraphs 1 through 24 of this Cross-Claim.
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duty to apply that level of diligence and judgment held by reputable licensed lawyers in northern Nevada engaged in the types of business and transactions described above.

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- 1. For damages in an amount in excess of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000);
- 2. For reasonable attorney's fees incurred in the prosecution and defense of this action to the extent permitted by law, equity, or contract;
  - 3. For costs of suit; and
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# THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT OF JOHN SCHLEINING AGAINST HOLLAND & HART, LLP AND R. CRAIG HOWARD

Third-Party Plaintiff JOHN SCHLEINING, by and through his counsel, alleges as follows.

#### **PARTIES**

- 1. Third-Party Plaintiff JOHN SCHLEINING ("Schleining") is an individual and resident of the State of Oregon.
- 2. Schleining is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that (a) Cross-Defendant HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON AND HOWARD ("Hale Lane") is and was at all relevant times a Nevada professional corporation doing business as a firm of lawyers licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada; (b) on or about May 2008, Cross-Defendant Hale Lane publicly announced that it had "combined" with Third Party Defendant HOLLAND & HART, LLP, a Colorado limited liability partnership doing business as a law firm in the Western United States; (c) thereafter Cross-Defendant Hale Lane and Third Party Defendant HOLLAND & HART, LLP together represented themselves to the public as a single law firm and single legal entity and (d) on and after May 2008, Third Party Defendant HOLLAND & HART, LLP assumed and continues to assume all of the past, present and future duties, obligations and liabilities of

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- b. By failing to advise Schleining of the consequences of their conflict of interest in purporting to represent both the indemnitors and the indemnitees;
- c. By favoring the interests of its indemnitee clients, Iliescu, over the interests of its indemnitor clients, Schleining, Baty and BSC;
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- 2. For reasonable attorney's fees incurred in the prosecution and defense of this action to the extent permitted by law, equity, or contract;
  - 3. For costs of suit; and
  - 4. For such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

DATED: September 2, 2009

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#### NRS 239B.030 AFFIRMATION

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I am an employee of Wilson & Quint LLP, and that on this date, pursuant to

NRCP 5(b), I am serving a true copy of the following:

### JOHN SCHLEINING'S ANSWER TO THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT, CROSS-CLAIM AND THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT

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DATED this 2nd day of September 2009.

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## EXHIBIT 1

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#### INDEMNITY

THIS INDEMNITY ("Agreement") is executed by BSC FINANCIAL, LLC, a limited liability company ("BSC"), CALVIN BATY, individually ("Baty"), and JOHN SCHLEINING, individually ("Schleining") (collectively, the "Indemnifying Parties"), in favor of JOHN ILIESCU, JR., and SONNIA SANTEE ILIESCU, individually and as Trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR., AND SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST (collectively, "Iliescu"), and is effective as of the date set forth by the parties' respective signatures.

#### RECITALS:

- A. Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("Consolidated"), entered into a Land Purchase Agreement with Iliescu dated July 29, 2005, together with Addendum No. 1 dated August 1, 2005, Addendum No. 2 dated August 2, 2005, Addendum No. 3 dated October 8, 2005, and Addendum No. 4 dated as of September 18, 2006 (collectively, "Purchase Agreement"), concerning certain real property located in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, identified as APNs 011-112-05, 06, 07 and 12, and more particularly described in the Title Report attached to Addendum No. 3 ("Property"). Sam Caniglia, President of Consolidated, Baty and Schleining formed BSC in order to proceed with the entitlement of the project on the Property.
- B. BSC entered into an AIA Architectural Agreement ("AIA Contract") with Mark Steppan, AIA ("Architect"), for architectural services for a mixed-use development including residential, retail, and parking ("Project"). The architectural schematic drawings were necessary to obtain the land use entitlements for the Project. The land use entitlements were approved by the City of Reno.
- C. On November 7, 2006, the Architect recorded in Washoe County, Nevada, a Notice and Claim of Lien against the Property in the amount of \$1,783,548.85 for claims of unpaid architectural services ("Mechanic's Lien"). These unpaid amounts are contested by BSC. In addition, the Mechanic's Lien is an improper lien not in compliance with Nevada law because the Architect failed to deliver to Iliescu (i) a Notice of Right to Lien pursuant to NRS 108.245, and (ii) a Notice of Intent to Lien pursuant to NRS 108.226(6).
  - D. Baty and Schleining are principals of BSC.
- E. Baty, Schleining and BSC desire to indemnify Iliescu for any and all claims and costs related to the Architect's recording of the Mechanic's Lien on the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby agree as follows:

1. <u>Indemnity</u>. Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby, jointly and severally, agree to indemnify, defend, protect and hold Iliescu harmless against all damages, losses, expenses, costs, liabilities, including, without limitation, payments due or which may be due to the Architect arising out of services performed pursuant to the AIA Contract or any change order or extras

CADocuments and Settings\Calvin\Local Settings\Temporary Internet Files\OLK122\HLRNODOCS-#587327-v1-Indemnity\_-\_PSC\_and\_Consolidated\_to\_llieseu1.DOC 1 related thereto, including interest, penalties and attorney fees which may be claimed by Architect to be owed by either BSC or Consolidated.

2. Attorneys' Fees. Baty, Schleining and BSC hereby jointly and severally agree to pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred to contest and discharge the Mechanic's Lien. In the event that a discharge of the Mechanic's Lien does not occur pursuant to a resolution of the dispute with Architect within ten (10) days of the date of this Indemnity, the Indemnifying Parties agree to initiate an action in the Washoe County District Court to contest and to discharge the Mechanic's Lien for (i) failing to comply with Nevada law, and (ii) the excessive amount. The Indemnifying Parties agree to diligently prosecute such action in an expedited manner to eliminate the Mechanic's Lien.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Indemnifying Parties have executed this Indemnity as of the date set forth below.

Dated: December, 2006	BSC FINANCIAL, LLC, a limited liability company  By:  Calvin Page
Dated: December, 2006	Calvin Baty Manager  CALVIN BATY, individually
Dated: December, 2006	JOHN SCHLEINING, individually

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1155 David R. Grundy, Esq. SBN 864 LEMONS, GRUNDY & EISENBERG 6005 Plumas Street, Suite 300 3 Reno, Nevada 89519 Telephone: (775) 786-6868 4 Facsimile: (775) 786-9716 5 Attorneys for Third Party Defendants Hale Lane, Holland & Hart and R. Craig Howard 6 7 IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA 8 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE 9 10 MARK B. STEPPAN, Plaintiffs. 11 CONSOLIDATED 12 VS. Case No.: CV07-00341 13 JOHN ILIESCU JR. and SONNIA ILIESCU, as Dept. No.: **B6** Trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR. AND SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST AGREEMENT; JOHN 14 ILIESCU, individually; DOES I-V, inclusive; and ROE 15 CORPORATIONS VI-X, inclusive, 16 Defendants. 17 JOHN ILIESCU, JR. and SONNIA ILIESCU, 18 as Trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR. AND **SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST** AGREEMENT; JOHN ILIESCU, JR., 19 individually; SONNIA ILIESCU, individually, 20 Third-Party Plaintiffs, 21 VS. 22 CONSOLIDATED PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT, 23 INC., a Nevada Corporation; DECAL OREGON, INC., an Oregon Corporation; 24 CALVIN BATY, individually; JOHN SCHLEINING, individually; HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON 25 AND HOWARD PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION. LEMONS, GRUNDY & EISENBERG a Nevada professional corporation, dba HALE 6005 PLUMAS ST. 26 LANE: KAREN D. DENNISON: R. CRAIG THIRD FLOOR HOWARD; JERRY M. SNYDER; and DOES I RENO, NV 89519 27 thru X, (775) 786-6868 28 Third-Party Defendants.

1 JOHN SCHLEINING, 2 Cross-Claimant, 3 VS. 4 HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON AND HOWARD PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, a Nevada 5 Professional corporation, dba HALE LANE and DOES XXI - XXX, inclusive, 6 Cross-Defendant. 7 8 JOHN SCHLEINING, 9 Third-Party Plaintiff, 10 VS. 11 HOLLAND & HART, LLP, a professional corporation, R. CRAIG HOWARD and DOES 12 XXXI - XL, inclusive, 13 Third-Party Defendants. 14 15 **ANSWER TO CROSS-CLAIM OF JOHN SCHLEINING** 16 Cross-defendant Hale Lane Peek Dennison and Howard Professional Corporation 17 (hereinafter "Hale Lane") and R. Craig Howard (erroneously sued herein as a Third-Party Defendant although he is already a party to this litigation), in answer to the cross-claim filed 18 19 by John Schleining herein, admit, deny and allege as follows: 20 1. These answering cross-defendants are without information sufficient to form a 21 belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 3, 4, 6, and 9. 22 These answering cross-defendants deny the allegations contained in 2. 23 paragraphs 5, 8 and 10. 24 These answering cross-defendants admit the allegations contained in 3. 25 LEMONS, GRUNDY paragraphs 2, 7 and 11. & EISENBERG 6005 Plumas St. 26 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (sic) THIRD FLOOR RENO, NV 89519 27 (775) 786-6868 4. In answer to paragraph 12 of the third party complaint, these cross-defendants 28 adopt and incorporate by reference and makes a part hereof all of their- previous answers.

- 5. In response to paragraph 13 of the third party complaint, these answering cross-defendants admit that on or about December 8, 2006, following the recordation of a mechanic's lien by Steppan, Hale Lane prepared a document entitled "Indemnity," consistent with that attached as Exhibit 1 to the third party complaint. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 13 are denied.
- 6. These answering cross-defendants admit the allegations contained in paragraphs 14.
- 7. These answering cross-defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

#### **SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

- 8. In answer to paragraph 21 of the third party complaint, these cross-defendants adopt and incorporate by reference and makes a part hereof all of their previous answers.
- 9. These answering cross-defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 22, 23 and 24.

#### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- 10. In answer to paragraph 25 of the third party complaint, these cross-defendants adopt and incorporate by reference and makes a part hereof all of its previous answers.
- 11. These answering cross-defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 26, 27 and 28.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO CROSS-CLAIM**

- Cross-claimant has failed to state a claim against these cross-defendants upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. Cross-claimant was careless and negligent with respect to the matters alleged in the third party complaint, and said carelessness and negligence proximately caused or contributed to the happening of the incidents complained of and to the damages, loss or damages of which cross-claimant complains, if any there were.
- 3. The damages claimed by cross-claimant were caused solely by the acts or omissions of others not named in this action.

- 4. The claims asserted against cross-defendants have not yet accrued since the underlying dispute between buyer, seller, developers and developers' lien claimant has not yet been concluded by final judgment. These cross-defendants are thus entitled to a dismissal of these claims, or in the alternative, a stay of proceedings until cross-claimant's damages, if any, are fixed by the court.
- 5. This action is premature since some of the persons responsible for indemnifying defendant Iliescu have claims currently pending in a bankruptcy matter through which all or part of the damages being sought here may be paid or recompensed, entitling these cross-defendants to a stay or dismissal of the pending claims.
- 6. Cross-claimant has, with full knowledge of the material facts, and for his own personal and financial reasons, waived any conflicts of interest in writing.
- 7. Cross-claimant is estopped from asserting a conflict of interest by virtue of his execution of written waivers, upon which these cross-defendants relied in their continued representation of other clients.
- 8. The damages claimed by cross-claimant were caused solely by the acts or omissions of others not named in this cross-complaint.
- 9. These cross-defendants at all times acted in good faith during their engagement as counsel for the various parties who chose to retain these cross- defendants.
- 10. Throughout their engagement as counsel in this matter, cross-defendants disclosed both orally and in writing and in a timely fashion the scope of their attorney/client relationship with other parties and sought and received consent from cross-claimant to represent other parties in light of the fact that cross-claimants' interests would be advanced thereby.
- 11. These cross-defendants at all times acted in good faith at the request of cross-claimant, in an effort to further the interests of their clients, whose interests were aligned and consistent with one another.

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- 12. At all times relevant to the allegations of the cross-complaint, these defendants were not acting as attorney for cross-claimant and no attorney/client relationship existed between cross-claimant and cross-defendants.
- 13. These cross-defendants owed no fiduciary or other duties incident to an attorney/client relationship to cross-claimant.

WHEREFORE, cross-defendants pray for judgment as follows:

- 1. That cross-claimant take nothing by way of the cross-complaint filed herein and that the same be dismissed with prejudice;
- 2. For costs of suit herein and for a reasonable attorneys' fee incurred in defense hereof; and,
  - 3. For such other relief as the court deems proper.

The undersigned affirms that this document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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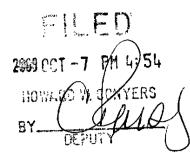
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- 4. In response to Paragraph 18, Hale Lane admit that Iliescu retained the Hale Lane law firm to review, "fine tune", clarify and advise Iliescu relative to the Purchase Agreement. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 18 are denied.
- 5. In response to Paragraph 24, Hale Lane admit that on or about November 7, 2006 Mark Steppan, AIA recorded a mechanic's lien on the property, and that a copy of that lien is attached as Exhibit "B". The remaining allegations of Paragraph 24 are denied.
- 5. In response to Paragraph 26, Hale Lane admit that the mechanic's lien recorded by Mark Steppan, AIA on November 7, 2006 made reference, at its Paragraph 2, to BSC Financial, LLC, as the entity that employed Mark Steppan, AlA and who furnished the work and services in connection with Iliescu's property. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 26 are denied.
- 6. In response to Paragraph 30, Hale Lane admit that the Hale Lane law firm represented Iliescu in regard to a) the Mechanic's Lien recorded by Mark Steppan, AIA, and b) closing the Land Purchase Agreement. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 30 are denied.
- 8. In response to Paragraph 31, Hale Lane admit that on or about December 8, 2006, as a result of the recordation of the Mechanic's Lien by Mark Steppan, AIA, the Hale Lane law firm and R. Craig Howard prepared an Indemnity Agreement for their clients referred to in Paragraph 28 in the third party complaint, a copy of which was attached thereto as Exhibit "C". Said Indemnity Agreement was submitted to Iliescu on December 12, 2006. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 31 are denied.
- 9. In response to Paragraph 32, Hale Lane admit that on or about December 26, 2006, the Hale Lane law firm drafted a Conflict of Interest Waiver Agreement and submitted it to Iliescu and BSC Financial, LLC for signature. The Agreement was executed by the parties. A copy of said Agreement was attached to the third party complaint as Exhibit "D". The remaining allegations of Paragraph 32 are denied.
- 10. In response to Paragraph 33, Hale Lane admit that thereafter, the Hale Lane law firm embarked upon a course of advising Iliescu and preparing documents so as to allow

the Purchase Agreement to close with BSC Financial, LLC. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 33 are denied. 2 FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF 3 No allegations are made in this First Claim for Relief against Hale Lane and thus 4 11. no response is required of Hale Lane. In the event that a response is deemed required, each 5 6 allegation of this First Claim for Relief is denied. 7 SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF 8 12. No allegations are made in this Second Claim for Relief against Hale Lane and thus no response is required of Hale Lane. In the event that a response is deemed required, 10 each allegation of this Second Claim for Relief is denied. 11 THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF 12 13. No allegations are made in this Third Claim for Relief against Hale Lane and 13 thus no response is required of Hale Lane. In the event that a response is deemed required, 14 each allegation of this Third Claim for Relief is denied. 15 **FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF** 16 14. No allegations are made in this Fourth Claim for Relief against Hale Lane and 17 thus no response is required of Hale Lane. In the event that a response is deemed required, 18 each allegation of this Fourth Claim for Relief is denied. 19 FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF 20 15. In answer to paragraph 55 of the complaint, Hale Lane adopt and incorporate 21 by reference and makes a part hereof all of their previous answers. 22 16. Hale Lane admit the allegations contained in paragraph 56 of the third party 23 complaint. 24 17. Hale Lane deny the allegations contained in paragraph 57 of the third party 25 complaint. 26 SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF 27 18. In answer to paragraph 58 of the complaint, Hale Lane adopt and incorporate 28 by reference and makes a part hereof all of their previous answers.

19. Hale Lane deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 59, 60 and 61 of the third party complaint.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

- 1. Iliescu have failed to state a claim against. Hale Lane upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. Iliescu were careless and negligent with respect to the matters alleged in the complaint, and said carelessness and negligence proximately caused or contributed to the happening of the incidents complained of and to the damages, loss or damages of which liescu complain, if any there were.
- 3. The damages claimed by Iliescu were caused solely by the acts or omissions of others not named in this action.
- 4. The claims asserted against Hale Lane have not yet accrued since the underlying dispute between buyer, seller, developers and developers' lien claimant has not yet been concluded by final judgment. Hale Lane are thus entitled to a dismissal of these claims, or in the alternative, a stay of proceedings until Illescu's damages, if any, are fixed by the court.
- 5. This action is premature since some of the persons responsible for indemnifying Iliescu have claims currently pending in a bankruptcy matter through which all or part of the damages being sought here may be paid or recompensed, entitling Hale Lane to a stay or dismissal of the pending claims.
- 6. Iliescu have, with full knowledge of the material facts, and for their own personal and financial reasons, waived any conflicts of interest in writing.
- 7. Iliescu are estopped from asserting a conflict of interest by virtue of their execution of written waivers, which these parties relied upon in their continued representation of other clients.
- 8. The damages claimed by Iliescu were caused solely by the acts or omissions of others not named in this action.

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- 9. Hale Lane at all times acted in good faith during their engagement as counsel for the various parties who chose to retain Hale Lane.
- 10. Throughout their engagement as counsel for Iliescu Hale Lane disclosed both orally and in writing and in a timely fashion the scope of their attorney/client relationship with other parties and sought and received consent from Iliescu to represent other parties in light of the fact that Iliescu's interests would be advanced thereby.
- 11. Hale Lane at all times acted in good faith at the request of Iliescu, in an effort to further the interests of their clients, whose interests were aligned and consistent with one another.

WHEREFORE, Hale Lane pray as follows:

- 1. That Illiescu take nothing in this action, and that the action be dismissed with prejudice;
- 2. That Hale Lane recover their costs of suit incurred herein and a reasonable attorneys' fee from Iliescu; and,
  - For such other and further relief as the court deems proper.

The undersigned affirms that this document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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JOHN SCHLEINING,

Third Party Plaintiff,

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Cross-Defendant.

JOHN SCHLEINING,

Third-Party Plaintiff,

VS.

HOLLAND & HART, LLP, a professional corporation, R. CRAIG HOWARD and DOES XXXI - XL, inclusive,

Third-Party Defendants.

### ANSWER OF HOLLAND & HART LLP TO THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT OF JOHN SCHLEINING

R. Craig Howard, being already a named party to this action, is not a proper third-party defendant, but has instead been treated as a cross-defendant in the Answer to Cross Claims being filed contemporaneously herewith. Third party defendant Holland & Hart, in answer to the third party complaint on file herein, admits, denies and alleges as follows:

- 1. This answering third party defendant is without information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 4, 6 and 9.
- In response to paragraph 2 of the Third Party Complaint, Holland & Hart admits that it combined its business with that of Hale Lane Peek Dennision and Howard Professional Corporation ("Hale Lane"), effective July 1, 2008, that Holland & Hart is a Colorado limited liability partnership doing business in Nevada and that as a result of the combination, acquired certain assets and liabilities of Hale Lane. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 2 are denied, including without limitation, any claim that Holland & Hart acquired or otherwise

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became responsible for the liabilities of Hale Lane for professional errors or omission occurring prior to the effective date of the combination.

- 3. This answering third party defendant admits the allegations contained in paragraphs 3 and 11 of the third party complaint.
- 4. In response to Paragraph 7, Holland & Hart admits that Iliescu retained Hale Lane to represent the sellers of the property in connection with the Purchase and Sale Agreement and the sale to CPD, and that Hale Lane continued to represent the Iliescu sellers thereafter. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 7 are denied.
- 5. This answering third party defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraphs 5 and 8 of the third party complaint.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (sic)

- 6. In answer to paragraph 12 of the third party complaint, this answering third party defendant adopts and incorporates by reference and makes a part hereof all of its previous answers.
- 7. In response to paragraph 13 of the third party complaint, this answering third-party defendant admits that on or about December 8, 2006, following the recordation of a mechanic's lien by Steppan Attorneys, Craig Howard and Hale Lane prepared a document entitled "Indemnity" as attached as Exhibit 1 to the third party complaint. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 13 are denied.
- 8. This answering third party defendant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 14 of the third party complaint on file herein.
- 9. In response to Paragraph 10, this answering third party defendant admits that on or about December 8, 2006, Attorneys presented the Indemnity to Schleining for signature. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 10 are denied.
- 10. This answering defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraphs 16,17, 18, 19 and 20 of the third party complaint.

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#### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- In answer to paragraph 21 of the third party complaint, this third party 11. defendant adopts and incorporates by reference and makes a part hereof all of its previous answers.
- This answering defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraphs 22, 23 12. and 24.

#### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- In answer to paragraph 25 of the third party complaint, this third party 13. defendant adopts and incorporates by reference and makes a part hereof all of its previous answers.
- 14. This answering defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraphs 26, 27 and 28.

#### AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT

- Third party plaintiff has failed to state a claim against this third party defendant 1. upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. Third party plaintiff was careless and negligent with respect to the matters alleged in the third party complaint, and said carelessness and negligence proximately caused or contributed to the happening of the incidents complained of and to the damages, loss or damages of which third party plaintiff complains, if any there were.
- 3. The damages claimed by third party plaintiff was caused solely by the acts or omissions of others not named in this action.
- 4. The claims asserted against third party defendant have not yet accrued since the underlying dispute between buyer, seller, developers and developers' lien claimant has not yet been concluded by final judgment. Third party defendant is thus entitled to a dismissal of these claims, or in the alternative, a stay of proceedings until third party plaintiff's damages, if any, are fixed by the court.
- 5. This action is premature since some of the persons responsible for indemnifying defendant iliescu have claims currently pending in a bankruptcy matter through

which all or part of the damages being sought here may be paid or recompensed, entitling this third party defendant to a stay or dismissal of the pending claims.

- 6. Third party plaintiff has, with full knowledge of the material facts, and for their own personal and financial reasons, waived any conflicts of interest in writing.
- 7. Third party plaintiff is estopped from asserting a conflict of interest by virtue of their execution of written waivers, which these parties relied upon in their continued representation of other clients.
- 8. The damages claimed by third party plaintiff were caused solely by the acts or omissions of others not named in this third party complaint.
- 9. Third party defendant did not at any time represent any person with an interest in the Purchase and Sale agreement at issue in this matter.
- 10. At all times relevant to the allegations of the Third Party Complaint, third party defendant was not acting as attorney for third party plaintiff and no attorney/client relationship existed between third party plaintiff and third party defendant.
- 13. Third party defendant owed no fiduciary or other duties incident to an attorney/client relationship to Third Party Plaintiff.

WHEREFORE, third party defendant prays judgment as follows:

- 1. That third-party plaintiff take nothing in this third party action, and that the action be dismissed with prejudice;
  - 2. For costs of suit incurred herein and a reasonable attorney's fee; and
  - 3. For such other and further relief as the court deems proper.

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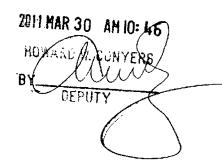
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#### IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

#### IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

MARK B. STEPPAN,

Plaintiff,

VS.

JOHN ILIESCU JR. and SONNIA ILIESCU, as Trustees of the JOHN ILIESCU, JR. AND **SONNIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST** AGREEMENT; JOHN ILIESCU, individually; DOES I-V, inclusive; and ROE CORPORATIONS VI-X, inclusive,

Defendants.

AND RELATED CLAIMS

**CONSOLIDATED** 

Case No. CV07-00341

Dept. No.: B6

THIRD PARTY DEFENDANT HALE LANE'S **MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT REGARDING THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS BY** JOHN ILIESCU

Third Party Defendant, HALE LANE PEEK DENNISON AND HOWARD PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, KAREN D. DENNISON, R. CRAIG HOWARD, and JERRY M. SNYDER (collectively, "Hale Lane"), by and through their undersigned attorneys, Lemons, Grundy & Eisenberg, hereby move the court for summary judgment on the third party claims asserted against them by JOHN ILIESCU, JR. and SONNIA ILIESCU, individually and as trustees of the ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST (collectively, "Iliescu"). This motion is based on the following Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the attached exhibits, and upon such other matters as the court may consider.

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This case involves a condominium development gone bad. The landowner, Dr. John Iliescu Jr., had a mechanic's lien asserted against his property related to architectural services he indirectly caused to be incurred. Even though Iliescu significantly benefited from the work performed by the architect, both by improvements to his property and his wallet, he is unwilling to accept any responsibility for the lien or the attorney's fees he has incurred in defending against the architect's lien.

An action was brought by the architect to foreclose upon the lien. Iliescu in turn filed third party complaints against the developer, a guarantor, and Hale Lane. As his third party complaint relates to claims against his attorneys, the claims are clearly without merit. Therefore, this motion for summary judgment seeks dismissal of all Iliescu's claims against his attorneys, Hale Lane.

#### STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS II.

#### THE WINGFIELD TOWERS PROJECT:

Iliescu owns several large and valuable properties in downtown Reno. (See Iliescu's Third Party Complaint at ¶ 12, attached as Exhibit 1.) In August of 2005, Iliescu entered into an agreement to sell one of his prime downtown properties to a group of developers for a high-rise condominium project. (See Parcel Map, attached as Exhibit 2). The project was to be called the Wingfield Towers, and was located immediately adjacent to the Truckee River and Wingfield Park. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a digital drawing of the project. The project was going to be one of the biggest high-rises in the downtown area. Iliescu himself was to receive the choicest 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse built to his specifications.

#### THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT:

Iliescu through his broker, Dick Johnson, was first contacted about the project in July of 2005 by Sam Caniglia of Consolidated Pacific Development Inc. (the "developer"). (Ex. 1, at ¶ 13; see also Mr. Canigli's proposal, attached as Exhibit 4.) A deal was struck and Dick Johnson prepared from his form bank a contract titled Land Purchase Agreement. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶

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& EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 14 through 16; see also Land Purchase Agreement and Addendum No. 1, attached as Exhibit 5.) The contract provided that the developers would buy the property from Iliescu for \$7.5 million with a \$500,000 non-refundable cash deposit, as well as, deliver to Iliescu a 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse with four parking spaces upon completion. (*Id.*) The sale was contingent however, upon the developers obtaining the necessary entitlements for the property from the City of Reno. (*Id.*, at p. 14.) The contract provided that if the entitlements were not obtained within 270 days, additional time may be requested at a cost of \$50,000 per 30 day extension, otherwise the developer would forfeit its \$500,000 deposit. (*Id.*)

Upon executing the Purchase Agreement, the parties realized that the form contract prepared by Dick Johnson was inadequate for the magnitude of this deal. The parties agreed that legal counsel should be hired to "fine tune" the agreement and better reflect the parties' intentions. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 16; see also Addendum No. 2 attached as Exhibit 6.) Dick Johnson then brought the Purchase Agreement to Karen Dennison of the Hale Lane law firm.

Ms. Dennison prepared Addendum No. 3, which sought to clarify the agreement in several respects. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 18 through 19; see also Addendum No. 3, attached as Exhlbit 7.) Of particular importance for purposes of this motion, Addendum No. 3 explained that obtaining the necessary entitlements was a "condition precedent." (Ex. 7, at no. 7.) It also mandated that the developer "use its best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent." (Id.) The Addendum also memorialized Iliescu's interest in completing the sale because of his ability to select the penthouse property of his choice with a value of \$2.2 million. (Id., at no. 8.) Addendum No. 3, which was executed by the parties on October 8, 2005, therefore expressly imposed upon the developer the obligation to improve Iliescu's property, and identified Iliescu's personal interest in acquiring the entitlements.

#### THE ENTITLEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS:

Once the Purchase Agreement was signed, Sam Caniglia, on behalf of the developer, sought out an architect to help obtain the entitlements. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 21.) Plaintiff Mark Steppan and his firm, Fisher Friedman, were retained by Caniglia to design the project, prepare the architectural drawings, and present the plans to the City Council. (Id.) Steppan,

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6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 along with the engineering firm of Wood Rogers, then submitted an application to the City Council. Iliescu signed a conflict waiver so that Hale Lane could assist the developer in obtaining the entitlements. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 20; see also Conflict Waiver, attached as Exhibit 8.) Iliescu also directly participated in the application process by submitting an affidavit to the City authorizing the developer to submit the application on his behalf. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 23; see also Owner Affidavits, attached as Exhibit 9.)

The approval process included several presentations before the City Council, as well as public comment from dissenting neighbors and other members of the community, all of which lliescu attended. Approximately a year later, the parties were ultimately successful in obtaining the entitlements and getting the project approved. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 25; see also Letter of Approval, attached as Exhibit 10.)

The entitlements included: "(1) a tentative map for a 499 unit residential condominium complex; (2) special use permits to allow: (a) hillside development, (b) cuts of 20 feet or more, (c) modification to the building envelope for a building within the South Esplanade Frontage, and (d) 100 or more condominium units; and (3) a variance to allow the buildings to cast a shadow on a public park between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on December 21<sup>st</sup>," as well as, zoning approvals for 19,817 sq. ft. of retail space and 20,603 sq. ft. of office space on the riverfront properties. (Ex. 10.) These entitlements are appurtenant to the land and substantially increased the marketability of Iliescu's property.

About 16 months into it, the developers defaulted because they were unable to obtain the necessary financing to conclude the sale. By this time, the entitlements had already been obtained. An eight month extension had also been granted by Illescu, at a cost of \$376,000 to the developer. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 29; see also Addendum No. 4, attached as Exhibit 11.)

#### STEPPAN'S MECHANICS LIEN ON ILIESCU'S PROPERTY:

Pursuant to the agreement for architectural services, Mark Steppan and his firm were to be paid on a percentage fee basis of the total construction costs. The project was estimated to cost approximately \$180 million. Steppan and his firm were to receive a fee equaling 5.75% (\$10.35 million) of the completion cost. The architectural agreement was



broken down into five phases and each phase was allotted a percentage relative to the whole as follows: Schematic Design (20%); Design Development (22%); Construction Drawings (40%); Bid Negotiation (1%); and Construction Administration (17%). No more than the Schematic Design (20%) portion was ever completed.

On November 7, 2006, around the same time the entitlements were obtained, Steppan, on behalf of his firm, asserted a \$1.8 million mechanics lien against Iliescu's property. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 24; see also Mechanics Lien, attached as Exhibit 12.) According to Steppan, the lien amount is calculated as follows: \$180 million (total construction costs)  $\times$  5.75% (percentage fee)  $\times$  20% (percent of project complete) + \$141,418 (expenses and interest) - \$430,870 (amount already paid) = approximately \$1.8 million.

#### **EVENTS AFTER STEPPAN'S LIEN WAS RECORDED:**

After the lien had been recorded, Craig Howard, from the Hale Lane law firm was approached by both the developer and Iliescu. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 30.) He was asked to help resolve the lien issue. (Id.) The parties executed a second Conflict Waiver. (Id., at ¶ 32; see also Second Conflict Waiver, attached as Exhibit 13.¹) Howard then brokered an Indemnity Agreement between the parties, whereby the developer and its principals, including co-third party defendant, Schleining, would indemnify Iliescu for any harm as a result of the lien. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 31; see also Indemnity Agreement, attached as Exhibit 14.) In addition to complete indemnification, the agreement also provided that the developer would attempt to discharge the lien on Iliescu's behalf at no expense to Iliescu. (Ex. 14, at p. 2.)

Howard and Jerry Snyder of Hale Lane then filed an application on Iliescu's behalf for the release of Steppan's lien. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 34.) Steppan, in turn, filed a complaint against Iliescu to foreclose the lien. The two actions were consolidated by this court into the present case. Iliescu has asserted a third party complaint asserting legal malpractice claims against the Hale Lane firm and its attorneys, Karen Dennison, Craig Howard, and Jerry Snyder, as well as, indemnity and breach of contract claims against the developer and its principals, Calvin Baty

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Although the attached Conflict Waiver does not contain Iliescu's signature, Iliescu acknowledged in ¶ 32 of his <u>Verified</u> Complaint that he executed the Conflict Waiver.



#### III. ARGUMENT

#### A. STANDARD FOR GRANTING SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Summary judgment is appropriate when the pleadings, written discovery, depositions, and affidavits, if any, demonstrate that no genuine issue of material fact remains for trial. NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 732, 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). If the nonmoving party bears the burden of persuasion at trial, the moving party has the burden of producing evidence that negates an essential element of the nonmoving party's claim, or pointing out that there is an absence of evidence to support the nonmoving party's case. Cuzze v. University and Community College System of Nevada, 123 Nev. 598, 602-03, 172 P.3d 131 (2007). Once the moving party meets its burden, the nonmoving party must set forth facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue of material fact. In order to defeat summary judgment, "the nonmoving party must transcend the pleadings and, by affidavit or other admissible evidence, introduce specific facts that show a genuine issue of material fact." Cuzze, 123 Nev. at 602-03 (citations omitted).

A genuine issue of material fact is one where the evidence is such that a reasonable jury could return a verdict for the nonmoving party. *Riley v. OPP IX, L.P.*, 112 Nev. 826, 831, 919 P.2d 1071 (1996). Although the pleadings and proof must be construed in the light most favorable to the non-moving party, the non-moving party is required to "do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt" as to the operative facts to avoid summary judgment. *Wood*, 121 Nev. at 732, citing *Matsushita Elect. Indus. Co. v. Zenith Radio*, 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986). Summary judgment must be entered against the non-moving party unless that party sets forth specific facts demonstrating a genuine issue for trial. *Wood*, 121 Nev. at 732.

While claims for negligence are generally not decided on summary judgment, a court may properly grant summary judgment if any of the essential elements of a claim are missing. See, e.g., Kusmirek v. MGM Grand Hotel, Inc., 73 F.Supp.2d 1222 (D. Nev. 1999) (summary judgment granted where plaintiff failed to satisfy elements of duty and proximate cause). In

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order to establish entitlement to judgment as a matter of law, a moving defendant must show that one of the elements of the plaintiff's prima facie case is "clearly lacking as a matter of law." Scialabba v. Brandise Construction Co., 112 Nev. 965, 968, 921 P.2d 928 (1996).

In this case, Iliescu cannot prove the essential elements of his prima facie case and, therefore, summary judgment is appropriate.

B. SUMMARY JUDGMENT SHOULD BE GRANTED ON ILIESCU'S CLAIM THAT HALE LANE FAILED TO RECORD A NOTICE OF NONRESPONSIBILITY BECAUSE THE ELEMENTS OF CAUSATION AND DAMAGE ARE LACKING AS A MATTER OF LAW

Iliescu's third party complaint asserts two claims for relief against Hale Lane: (1) Professional Malpractice; and (2) Negligence.<sup>2</sup> (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 55 through 61.) In order for Iliescu to prevail at trial, he must establish: (1) the existence of an attorney/client relationship which created a duty of care; (2) a breach of that duty; (3) that Hale Lane's negligence is the proximate cause of his damages; and, (5) the existence of actual loss or damage resulting from the negligence. *Mainor v. Nault*, 120 Nev. 750, 101 P.3d 308 (2004). In this case, causation and damages are lacking.

Iliescu's claims against Hale Lane are rooted in the misguided notion that Hale Lane could have protected Iliescu from Steppan's lien by advising Iliescu to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility pursuant to NRS 108.234. According to Iliescu, Hale Lane's failure to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility damaged him in two ways. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 59 through 61.) First, he might be liable for the amount of the lien. (Id.) And second, he has had to incur attorney's fees in defending against Steppan's claims, and in prosecuting his third party claims against Hale Lane. (Id.)

As will be demonstrated below, Iliescu's claims fail as a matter of law because, as an "interested owner," Iliescu is not entitled to avoid the costs of valuable improvements to his property by filing a Notice of Nonresponsibility. The failure to file such a notice could not therefore, legally have caused Iliescu's alleged damages. Because the essential elements of

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causation and damages are clearly lacking as a matter of law, Hale Lane submits that summary judgment should be entered against Iliescu. *See, Kusmirek*, 73 F.Supp.2d at 1226-1227; and *Scialabba*, 112 Nev. at 968.

#### 1. Causation is lacking as a matter of law

According to the third party complaint, the underlying injury Iliescu sustained is the attachment of Steppan's mechanics lien against his property. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 59 through 60.) This lien, according to Iliescu, should never have attached to his property had Hale Lane recorded a Notice of Nonresponsibility pursuant to NRS 108.234. (Id.) This allegation fails as a matter of law.

Pursuant to NRS 108.234(2), a "disinterested owner" can avoid a lien from being asserted against his property if he records a Notice of Nonresponsibility within three days of first learning that improvements are being made to his property. A "disinterested owner' means an owner who: (a) Does not record a notice of waiver as provided in NRS 108.2405; and (b) Does not personally or through an agent or representative, directly or indirectly, contract for or cause a work of improvement, or any portion thereof, to be constructed, altered or repaired upon the property or an improvement of the owner." NRS 108.234(7) [emphasis added].

NRS 108.234 was meant to protect "disinterested owners" who played no part whatsoever in causing improvements to his property. By the plain language of the statute, if an owner directly or indirectly caused the improvements, he is not "disinterested" and cannot claim the protection of NRS 108.234.

In this case, Iliescu was not a "disinterested owner" and, therefore, the protections of NRS 108.234 do not apply to him. As a general rule, when a contract for the purchase or lease of real property expressly requires improvements by the vendee/lessee, or where the improvements are the gist of the contract, the landowner's interest is subject to lien. Campbell & Summerhays, Inc. v. Greene, 381 S.W.2d 531, 532 (Ky. App. 1964); Tremont Co. v. H.A. Paasche, 81 So.2d 489, 491-92 (Fla. 1955); Mills v. Union Title Co., 419 P.2d 81, 84-85 (Ariz. 1966). The landowner cannot escape the lien merely by recording a notice of

Lemons, Grundy & Eisenberg 6005 Plumas St. Suite 300 Reno, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 nonresponsibility. See, Howard S. Wright Construction Co. v. Superior Court, 106 Cal.App.4th 314, 321 (Cal. App. 2003) (lease compelled improvements to warehouse); Los Banos Gravel Co. v. Freeman, 58 Cal.App.3d 785, 793 (Cal.App. 1976) (lease compelled construction of service station and restaurant); Ott Hardware Co. v. Yost, 69 Cal.App.2d 593, 601-602 (1945) (lease required renovations to a movie theater); Mills, 419 P.2d at 84-85 (this same rule applies with equal force to situations involving purchase contracts); see also Verdi Lumber Co. v. Bartlett, 40 Nev. 317, 161 P. 933, 934-35 (1916).

The rationale behind the rule is that where a contract between a vendor and vendee obligates the vendee to make improvements to the property, the vendee becomes the agent of the vendor "by implication of law." See e.g., Howard, 106 Cal.App.4th at 325. "The true basis for holding the owner liable is that the improvement is for his benefit." Greene, 381 S.W.2d at 532. "That being so, he should not be relieved of subjection to a lien merely because he informs [the contractor] that he does not intend to be liable." Id.

In this case, the developers were obligated to obtain the entitlements as a condition to the effectiveness of the Purchase Agreement. See, Ott Hardware, 69 Cal.App.2d at 601. By the very language of the Purchase Agreement and addenda thereto, the sale of the property was contingent upon obtaining the necessary entitlements, and the developer was expressly required to "use its best efforts and reasonable diligence" to obtain the entitlements. (Ex. 7, at No. 7.) The terms of the Purchase Agreement leave no doubt as to the developer's obligation to pursue obtaining the entitlements. See, Ott Hardware, 69 Cal.App.2d at 601 (when the court is called upon to construe the contract, addenda, and other undisputed writings as to their legal effect, the question becomes one of law and not a question of fact for the jury). The developer's obligations were therefore not optional, but rather expressly required, as well as the very essence of the contract. See, Tremont Co., 81 So.2d at 491. Iliescu furthermore directly participated in the application process when he expressly authorized the developers to obtain the entitlements on his behalf. (Ex. 9).

Iliescu also had a real and substantial interest in the completion of the sale which required the entitlements to be obtained. He stood to benefit significantly from the project's

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completion. As part of the consideration for the sale of the property, Iliescu was to receive a 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse with four parking spaces, valued at approximately \$2.2 million. (Ex. 7, at No. 8.) He stood to gain approximately \$10 million dollars if the project was completed (\$7.5 million cash from the sale and a \$2.2 million penthouse). (Exs. 5 and 7.) By definition, Iliescu was not "disinterested."

Even though the project was never completed and Iliescu did not receive his penthouse overlooking the river and all of Reno, his land and his checkbook were nonetheless improved by the entitlements Steppan obtained. Before the transaction, the property did not have a tentative map for a residential condominium subdivision, nor did it have the special use permits and variances. After the transaction, it did. (Ex. 10.) These improvements presumably increased the worth and marketability of Iliescu's property. Iliescu also received \$500,000 in cash from the non-refundable deposit, as well as, \$376,000 in cash through the extensions he granted while the entitlements were getting approved by the city. (Exs. 5, 7, and 11.) NRS 108.234 therefore would have afforded Iliescu no protection from Steppan's lien.

Because a Notice of Nonresponsibility would have been ineffective to insulate Iliescu from the lien at issue, the failure to record such a notice cannot, as a matter of law, be the actual or proximate cause of any injury to Iliescu. The essential element of causation is therefore lacking as a matter of law and summary judgment must be granted in favor of Hale Lane.

#### 2. Damage is lacking as a matter of law

In his third party complaint, Iliescu alleges that he is entitled to compensation from Hale Lane for reimbursement of any amount he must pay to remove Steppan's lien, as well as the attorney's fees he incurred in this action. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 60 through 61.) These allegations likewise fail as a matter of law, because Iliescu has suffered no compensable harm as a result of Hale Lane's actions.

As discussed above, Iliescu is liable for Steppan's lien not because of the failure to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility, but because Iliescu was an "interested owner" and

, Lemons, Grundy & Eisenberg 6005 Plumas St. Suite 300 Reno, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 received a substantial benefit from the services Steppan performed. The property was burdened with the lien by operation of law. The fees he incurred in defending against Steppan's claims were not the result of any wrongdoing by Hale Lane. Rather, they were the result of the Purchase Agreement Iliescu signed, and the obligation he imposed on the developers to obtain the entitlements for his property.

Furthermore, any fees he incurred in prosecuting his third party claims are not recoverable under Nevada law. It is well established in Nevada that "in the absence of a rule, statute, or contract authorizing an award of attorney's fees, such fees may not be allowed." Lubritz v. Circus Circus Hotels, 101 Nev. 109, 112, 693 P.2d 1261 (1985). Here, Iliescu cannot identify any rule, statute, or contract which authorizes an award of attorney's fees against Hale Lane. Summary judgment must therefore be entered against Iliescu.

Nonetheless, as this court is aware, an enforceable agreement was reached at a mandatory settlement conference on March 18, 2010, whereby Steppan agreed to accept \$100,000 in full satisfaction of his lien. Hale Lane and third party defendant, John Schleining, agreed to pay Steppan that amount in equal shares, conditional upon a mutual release of all claims by all parties. Iliescu, despite the agreement to remove the lien, has refused to release Hale Lane and Schleining. Should the attorney's fee claim be dismissed upon this motion, and the lien satisfied per the prior agreement, Iliescu would have suffered no damage whatsoever.

# C. SUMMARY JUDGMENT SHOULD BE GRANTED ON ILIESCU'S CLAIMS RELATED TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BECAUSE ILIESCU EXECUTED TWO VALID CONFLICT WAIVERS

Iliescu's third party complaint contains reference to alleged conflicts of interest by Hale Lane. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 59.) The complaint however fails to identify how any conflict of interest caused Iliescu any harm, or what harm he sustained. Although Hale Lane does not anticipate Iliescu will address these allegations in his opposition, any claim related to a conflict of interest fails because Iliescu has suffered no compensable harm therefrom, and he knowingly waived in writing the very conflicts to which he refers.

The only two items of damage Iliescu alleges he has sustained are liability for Steppan's lien and the attorney's fees he has incurred as a result of this litigation. (Id., at ¶¶

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60 through 61.) As discussed above, neither of these liabilities is the result of any wrongdoing by Hale Lane. Nor are these liabilities related to Hale Lane's representation of the developers during the entitlement application process or in attempting to remove Steppan's lien. Instead, Iliescu is liable for these amounts as a result of his own actions.

Furthermore, Iliescu's knowing waiver of any conflict related to Hale Lane's representation of the developers acts as a complete bar to his claims. Pursuant to NRPC 1.7(b), a client may validly waive a conflict of interest by giving informed consent, confirmed in writing. Here, Iliescu executed two written conflict waivers: the first on December 15, 2005, and the second on December 26, 2006. (See Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 20 and 32; see also Exs. 8 and 13.) Iliescu has thus waived any claim he may have related to Hale Lane's representation of the developers. NRPC 1.7(b). Even if Hale Lane was deemed to violate a rule of professional conduct, such violation, without more, cannot serve as a basis for civil liability. Mainor v. Nault, 120 Nev. 750, 769, 101 P.3d 308 (2004) ("a violation of a rule of professional conduct alone could not serve as a basis for civil liability.").

Summary judgment must therefore also be granted against Iliescu on these claims.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, third party defendant Hale Lane respectfully requests that summary judgment be entered dismissing all of Iliescu's third party claims against Hale Lane.

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** 2 Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of Lemons, Grundy & Eisenberg and that on March 30, 2011, I deposited for mailing in the United States Mail, postage 3 4 prepaid, a true and correct copy of the within THIRD PARTY DEFENDANT HALE LANE'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT REGARDING THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS BY JOHN ILIESCU, 5 addressed to the following: 6 7 John Iliescu, Jr. 8 Sonia Iliescu 200 Court Street 9 Reno, Nevada 89501 (Individually and as trustees of the 10 JOHN ILIESCU, JR. AND SONIA ILIESCU 1992 FAMILY TRUST AGREEMENT) 11 Gayle Kern, Esq. 12 5421 Kietzke Lane, Suite 200 Reno, Nevada 89511 13 Gregory Wilson, Esq. 14 417 West Plumb Lane Reno, Nevada 89509 15 16 Ronnie Maun 17 18 19 20

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

This case involves a condominium development gone bad. The landowner, Dr. John Iliescu Jr., had a mechanic's lien asserted against his property related to architectural services he indirectly caused to be incurred. Even though Iliescu significantly benefited from the work performed by the architect, both by improvements to his property and his wallet, he is unwilling to accept any responsibility for the lien or the attorney's fees he has incurred in defending against the architect's lien.

An action was brought by the architect to foreclose upon the lien. Iliescu in turn filed third party complaints against the developer, a guarantor, and Hale Lane. As his third party complaint relates to claims against his attorneys, the claims are clearly without merit. Therefore, this motion for summary judgment seeks dismissal of all Iliescu's claims against his attorneys, Hale Lane.

# II. STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS

#### THE WINGFIELD TOWERS PROJECT:

Iliescu owns several large and valuable properties in downtown Reno. (See Iliescu's Third Party Complaint at ¶ 12, attached as **Exhibit 1**.) In August of 2005, Iliescu entered into an agreement to sell one of his prime downtown properties to a group of developers for a high-rise condominium project. (See Parcel Map, attached as **Exhibit 2**). The project was to be called the Wingfield Towers, and was located immediately adjacent to the Truckee River and Wingfield Park. Attached as **Exhibit 3** is a digital drawing of the project. The project was going to be one of the biggest high-rises in the downtown area. Iliescu himself was to receive the choicest 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse built to his specifications.

#### THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT:

Iliescu through his broker, Dick Johnson, was first contacted about the project in July of 2005 by Sam Caniglia of Consolidated Pacific Development Inc. (the "developer"). (Ex. 1, at ¶ 13; see also Mr. Canigli's proposal, attached as Exhibit 4.) A deal was struck and Dick Johnson prepared from his form bank a contract titled Land Purchase Agreement. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶

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14 through 16; see also Land Purchase Agreement and Addendum No. 1, attached as Exhibit 5.) The contract provided that the developers would buy the property from Iliescu for \$7.5 million with a \$500,000 non-refundable cash deposit, as well as, deliver to Iliescu a 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse with four parking spaces upon completion. (*Id.*) The sale was contingent however, upon the developers obtaining the necessary entitlements for the property from the City of Reno. (*Id.*, at p. 14.) The contract provided that if the entitlements were not obtained within 270 days, additional time may be requested at a cost of \$50,000 per 30 day extension, otherwise the developer would forfeit its \$500,000 deposit. (*Id.*)

Upon executing the Purchase Agreement, the parties realized that the form contract prepared by Dick Johnson was inadequate for the magnitude of this deal. The parties agreed that legal counsel should be hired to "fine tune" the agreement and better reflect the parties' intentions. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 16; see also Addendum No. 2 attached as Exhibit 6.) Dick Johnson then brought the Purchase Agreement to Karen Dennison of the Hale Lane law firm.

Ms. Dennison prepared Addendum No. 3, which sought to clarify the agreement in several respects. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 18 through 19; see also Addendum No. 3, attached as Exhibit 7.) Of particular importance for purposes of this motion, Addendum No. 3 explained that obtaining the necessary entitlements was a "condition precedent." (Ex. 7, at no. 7.) It also mandated that the developer "use its best efforts and reasonable diligence to satisfy all Conditions Precedent." (Id.) The Addendum also memorialized Iliescu's interest in completing the sale because of his ability to select the penthouse property of his choice with a value of \$2.2 million. (Id., at no. 8.) Addendum No. 3, which was executed by the parties on October 8, 2005, therefore expressly imposed upon the developer the obligation to improve Iliescu's property, and identified Iliescu's personal interest in acquiring the entitlements.

#### THE ENTITLEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS:

Once the Purchase Agreement was signed, Sam Caniglia, on behalf of the developer, sought out an architect to help obtain the entitlements. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 21.) Plaintiff Mark Steppan and his firm, Fisher Friedman, were retained by Caniglia to design the project, prepare the architectural drawings, and present the plans to the City Council. (Id.) Steppan,

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along with the engineering firm of Wood Rogers, then submitted an application to the City Council. Iliescu signed a conflict waiver so that Hale Lane could assist the developer in obtaining the entitlements. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 20; see also Conflict Waiver, attached as Exhibit 8.) Iliescu also directly participated in the application process by submitting an affidavit to the City authorizing the developer to submit the application on his behalf. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 23; see also Owner Affidavits, attached as Exhibit 9.)

The approval process included several presentations before the City Council, as well as public comment from dissenting neighbors and other members of the community, all of which lliescu attended. Approximately a year later, the parties were ultimately successful in obtaining the entitlements and getting the project approved. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 25; see also Letter of Approval, attached as Exhibit 10.)

The entitlements included: "(1) a tentative map for a 499 unit residential condominium complex; (2) special use permits to allow: (a) hillside development, (b) cuts of 20 feet or more, (c) modification to the building envelope for a building within the South Esplanade Frontage, and (d) 100 or more condominium units; and (3) a variance to allow the buildings to cast a shadow on a public park between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on December 21<sup>st</sup>," as well as, zoning approvals for 19,817 sq. ft. of retail space and 20,603 sq. ft. of office space on the riverfront properties. (Ex. 10.) These entitlements are appurtenant to the land and substantially increased the marketability of Iliescu's property.

About 16 months into it, the developers defaulted because they were unable to obtain the necessary financing to conclude the sale. By this time, the entitlements had already been obtained. An eight month extension had also been granted by Iliescu, at a cost of \$376,000 to the developer. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 29; see also Addendum No. 4, attached as Exhibit 11.)

#### STEPPAN'S MECHANICS LIEN ON ILIESCU'S PROPERTY:

Pursuant to the agreement for architectural services, Mark Steppan and his firm were to be paid on a percentage fee basis of the total construction costs. The project was estimated to cost approximately \$180 million. Steppan and his firm were to receive a fee equaling 5.75% (\$10.35 million) of the completion cost. The architectural agreement was

LEMONS, GRUNDY & EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 broken down into five phases and each phase was allotted a percentage relative to the whole as follows: Schematic Design (20%); Design Development (22%); Construction Drawings (40%); Bid Negotiation (1%); and Construction Administration (17%). No more than the Schematic Design (20%) portion was ever completed.

On November 7, 2006, around the same time the entitlements were obtained, Steppan, on behalf of his firm, asserted a \$1.8 million mechanics lien against Iliescu's property. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 24; see also Mechanics Lien, attached as Exhibit 12.) According to Steppan, the lien amount is calculated as follows: \$180 million (total construction costs)  $\times$  5.75% (percentage fee)  $\times$  20% (percent of project complete) + \$141,418 (expenses and interest) - \$430,870 (amount already paid) = approximately \$1.8 million.

#### **EVENTS AFTER STEPPAN'S LIEN WAS RECORDED:**

After the lien had been recorded, Craig Howard, from the Hale Lane law firm was approached by both the developer and Iliescu. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 30.) He was asked to help resolve the lien issue. (Id.) The parties executed a second Conflict Waiver. (Id., at ¶ 32; see also Second Conflict Waiver, attached as Exhibit 13.¹) Howard then brokered an Indemnity Agreement between the parties, whereby the developer and its principals, including co-third party defendant, Schleining, would indemnify Iliescu for any harm as a result of the lien. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 31; see also Indemnity Agreement, attached as Exhibit 14.) In addition to complete indemnification, the agreement also provided that the developer would attempt to discharge the lien on Iliescu's behalf at no expense to Iliescu. (Ex. 14, at p. 2.)

Howard and Jerry Snyder of Hale Lane then filed an application on Iliescu's behalf for the release of Steppan's lien. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 34.) Steppan, in turn, filed a complaint against Iliescu to foreclose the lien. The two actions were consolidated by this court into the present case. Iliescu has asserted a third party complaint asserting legal malpractice claims against the Hale Lane firm and its attorneys, Karen Dennison, Craig Howard, and Jerry Snyder, as well as, indemnity and breach of contract claims against the developer and its principals, Calvin Baty

Although the attached Conflict Waiver does not contain Iliescu's signature, Iliescu acknowledged in ¶ 32 of his <u>Verified</u> Complaint that he executed the Conflict Waiver.

and John Schleining. (See Ex. 1.)

#### III. ARGUMENT

#### STANDARD FOR GRANTING SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Summary judgment is appropriate when the pleadings, written discovery, depositions, and affidavits, if any, demonstrate that no genuine issue of material fact remains for trial. NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 732, 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). If the nonmoving party bears the burden of persuasion at trial, the moving party has the burden of producing evidence that negates an essential element of the nonmoving party's claim, or pointing out that there is an absence of evidence to support the nonmoving party's case. Cuzze v. University and Community College System of Nevada, 123 Nev. 598, 602-03, 172 P.3d 131 (2007). Once the moving party meets its burden, the nonmoving party must set forth facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue of material fact. In order to defeat summary judgment, "the nonmoving party must transcend the pleadings and, by affidavit or other admissible evidence, introduce specific facts that show a genuine issue of material fact." Cuzze, 123 Nev. at 602-03 (citations omitted).

A genuine issue of material fact is one where the evidence is such that a reasonable jury could return a verdict for the nonmoving party. Riley v. OPP IX, L.P., 112 Nev. 826, 831, 919 P.2d 1071 (1996). Although the pleadings and proof must be construed in the light most favorable to the non-moving party, the non-moving party is required to "do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt" as to the operative facts to avoid summary judgment. Wood, 121 Nev. at 732, citing Matsushita Elect. Indus. Co. v. Zenith Radio, 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986). Summary judgment must be entered against the non-moving party unless that party sets forth specific facts demonstrating a genuine issue for trial. Wood, 121 Nev. at 732.

While claims for negligence are generally not decided on summary judgment, a court may properly grant summary judgment if any of the essential elements of a claim are missing. See, e.g., Kusmirek v. MGM Grand Hotel, Inc., 73 F.Supp.2d 1222 (D. Nev. 1999) (summary judgment granted where plaintiff failed to satisfy elements of duty and proximate cause). In

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order to establish entitlement to judgment as a matter of law, a moving defendant must show that one of the elements of the plaintiff's prima facie case is "clearly lacking as a matter of law.'" *Scialabba v. Brandise Construction Co.*, 112 Nev. 965, 968, 921 P.2d 928 (1996).

In this case, Iliescu cannot prove the essential elements of his prima facie case and, therefore, summary judgment is appropriate.

B. SUMMARY JUDGMENT SHOULD BE GRANTED ON ILIESCU'S CLAIM THAT HALE LANE FAILED TO RECORD A NOTICE OF NONRESPONSIBILITY BECAUSE THE ELEMENTS OF CAUSATION AND DAMAGE ARE LACKING AS A MATTER OF LAW

Iliescu's third party complaint asserts two claims for relief against Hale Lane: (1) Professional Malpractice; and (2) Negligence.<sup>2</sup> (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 55 through 61.) In order for Iliescu to prevail at trial, he must establish: (1) the existence of an attorney/client relationship which created a duty of care; (2) a breach of that duty; (3) that Hale Lane's negligence is the proximate cause of his damages; and, (5) the existence of actual loss or damage resulting from the negligence. *Mainor v. Nault*, 120 Nev. 750, 101 P.3d 308 (2004). In this case, causation and damages are lacking.

Iliescu's claims against Hale Lane are rooted in the misguided notion that Hale Lane could have protected Iliescu from Steppan's lien by advising Iliescu to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility pursuant to NRS 108.234. According to Iliescu, Hale Lane's failure to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility damaged him in two ways. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 59 through 61.) First, he might be liable for the amount of the lien. (Id.) And second, he has had to incur attorney's fees in defending against Steppan's claims, and in prosecuting his third party claims against Hale Lane. (Id.)

As will be demonstrated below, Iliescu's claims fail as a matter of law because, as an "interested owner," Iliescu is not entitled to avoid the costs of valuable improvements to his property by filing a Notice of Nonresponsibility. The failure to file such a notice could not therefore, legally have caused Iliescu's alleged damages. Because the essential elements of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Both of Iliescu's claims are based on the same allegations and require the same legal analysis.

LEMONS, GRUNDY & EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 causation and damages are clearly lacking as a matter of law, Hale Lane submits that summary judgment should be entered against Iliescu. *See, Kusmirek,* 73 F.Supp.2d at 1226-1227; and *Scialabba,* 112 Nev. at 968.

#### 1. Causation is lacking as a matter of law

According to the third party complaint, the underlying injury Iliescu sustained is the attachment of Steppan's mechanics lien against his property. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 59 through 60.) This lien, according to Iliescu, should never have attached to his property had Hale Lane recorded a Notice of Nonresponsibility pursuant to NRS 108.234. (Id.) This allegation fails as a matter of law.

Pursuant to NRS 108.234(2), a "disinterested owner" can avoid a lien from being asserted against his property if he records a Notice of Nonresponsibility within three days of first learning that improvements are being made to his property. A "'disinterested owner' means an owner who: (a) Does not record a notice of waiver as provided in NRS 108.2405; and (b) Does not personally or through an agent or representative, directly or indirectly, contract for or cause a work of improvement, or any portion thereof, to be constructed, altered or repaired upon the property or an improvement of the owner." NRS 108.234(7) [emphasis added].

NRS 108.234 was meant to protect "disinterested owners" who played no part whatsoever in causing improvements to his property. By the plain language of the statute, if an owner directly or indirectly caused the improvements, he is not "disinterested" and cannot claim the protection of NRS 108.234.

In this case, Iliescu was not a "disinterested owner" and, therefore, the protections of NRS 108.234 do not apply to him. As a general rule, when a contract for the purchase or lease of real property expressly requires improvements by the vendee/lessee, or where the improvements are the gist of the contract, the landowner's interest is subject to lien. Campbell & Summerhays, Inc. v. Greene, 381 S.W.2d 531, 532 (Ky. App. 1964); Tremont Co. v. H.A. Paasche, 81 So.2d 489, 491-92 (Fla. 1955); Mills v. Union Title Co., 419 P.2d 81, 84-85 (Ariz. 1966). The landowner cannot escape the lien merely by recording a notice of

nonresponsibility. See, Howard S. Wright Construction Co. v. Superior Court, 106 Cal.App.4th 314, 321 (Cal. App. 2003) (lease compelled improvements to warehouse); Los Banos Gravel Co. v. Freeman, 58 Cal.App.3d 785, 793 (Cal.App. 1976) (lease compelled construction of service station and restaurant); Ott Hardware Co. v. Yost, 69 Cal.App.2d 593, 601-602 (1945) (lease required renovations to a movie theater); Mills, 419 P.2d at 84-85 (this same rule applies with equal force to situations involving purchase contracts); see also Verdi Lumber Co. v. Bartlett, 40 Nev. 317, 161 P. 933, 934-35 (1916).

The rationale behind the rule is that where a contract between a vendor and vendee obligates the vendee to make improvements to the property, the vendee becomes the agent of the vendor "by implication of law." *See e.g., Howard,* 106 Cal.App.4th at 325. "The true basis for holding the owner liable is that the improvement is for his benefit." *Greene,* 381 S.W.2d at 532. "That being so, he should not be relieved of subjection to a lien merely because he informs [the contractor] that he does not intend to be liable." *Id.* 

In this case, the developers were obligated to obtain the entitlements as a condition to the effectiveness of the Purchase Agreement. *See, Ott Hardware,* 69 Cal.App.2d at 601. By the very language of the Purchase Agreement and addenda thereto, the sale of the property was contingent upon obtaining the necessary entitlements, and the developer was expressly required to "use its best efforts and reasonable diligence" to obtain the entitlements. (Ex. 7, at No. 7.) The terms of the Purchase Agreement leave no doubt as to the developer's obligation to pursue obtaining the entitlements. *See, Ott Hardware,* 69 Cal.App.2d at 601 (when the court is called upon to construe the contract, addenda, and other undisputed writings as to their legal effect, the question becomes one of law and not a question of fact for the jury). The developer's obligations were therefore not optional, but rather expressly required, as well as the very essence of the contract. *See, Tremont Co.,* 81 So.2d at 491. Iliescu furthermore directly participated in the application process when he expressly authorized the developers to obtain the entitlements on his behalf. (Ex. 9).

Iliescu also had a real and substantial interest in the completion of the sale which required the entitlements to be obtained. He stood to benefit significantly from the project's

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& EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 completion. As part of the consideration for the sale of the property, Iliescu was to receive a 3,750 sq. ft. penthouse with four parking spaces, valued at approximately \$2.2 million. (Ex. 7, at No. 8.) He stood to gain approximately \$10 million dollars if the project was completed (\$7.5 million cash from the sale and a \$2.2 million penthouse). (Exs. 5 and 7.) By definition, Iliescu was not "disinterested."

Even though the project was never completed and Iliescu did not receive his penthouse overlooking the river and all of Reno, his land and his checkbook were nonetheless improved by the entitlements Steppan obtained. Before the transaction, the property did not have a tentative map for a residential condominium subdivision, nor did it have the special use permits and variances. After the transaction, it did. (Ex. 10.) These improvements presumably increased the worth and marketability of Iliescu's property. Iliescu also received \$500,000 in cash from the non-refundable deposit, as well as, \$376,000 in cash through the extensions he granted while the entitlements were getting approved by the city. (Exs. 5, 7, and 11.) NRS 108.234 therefore would have afforded Iliescu no protection from Steppan's lien.

Because a Notice of Nonresponsibility would have been ineffective to insulate Iliescu from the lien at issue, the failure to record such a notice cannot, as a matter of law, be the actual or proximate cause of any injury to Iliescu. The essential element of causation is therefore lacking as a matter of law and summary judgment must be granted in favor of Hale Lane.

#### 2. Damage is lacking as a matter of law

In his third party complaint, Iliescu alleges that he is entitled to compensation from Hale Lane for reimbursement of any amount he must pay to remove Steppan's lien, as well as the attorney's fees he incurred in this action. (Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 60 through 61.) These allegations likewise fail as a matter of law, because Iliescu has suffered no compensable harm as a result of Hale Lane's actions.

As discussed above, Iliescu is liable for Steppan's lien not because of the failure to record a Notice of Nonresponsibility, but because Iliescu was an "interested owner" and

received a substantial benefit from the services Steppan performed. The property was burdened with the lien by operation of law. The fees he incurred in defending against Steppan's claims were not the result of any wrongdoing by Hale Lane. Rather, they were the result of the Purchase Agreement Iliescu signed, and the obligation he imposed on the developers to obtain the entitlements for his property.

Furthermore, any fees he incurred in prosecuting his third party claims are not recoverable under Nevada law. It is well established in Nevada that "in the absence of a rule, statute, or contract authorizing an award of attorney's fees, such fees may not be allowed." *Lubritz v. Circus Circus Hotels*, 101 Nev. 109, 112, 693 P.2d 1261 (1985). Here, Iliescu cannot identify any rule, statute, or contract which authorizes an award of attorney's fees against Hale Lane. Summary judgment must therefore be entered against Iliescu.

Nonetheless, as this court is aware, an enforceable agreement was reached at a mandatory settlement conference on March 18, 2010, whereby Steppan agreed to accept \$100,000 in full satisfaction of his lien. Hale Lane and third party defendant, John Schleining, agreed to pay Steppan that amount in equal shares, conditional upon a mutual release of all claims by all parties. Iliescu, despite the agreement to remove the lien, has refused to release Hale Lane and Schleining. Should the attorney's fee claim be dismissed upon this motion, and the lien satisfied per the prior agreement, lliescu would have suffered no damage whatsoever.

# C. SUMMARY JUDGMENT SHOULD BE GRANTED ON ILIESCU'S CLAIMS RELATED TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BECAUSE ILIESCU EXECUTED TWO VALID CONFLICT WAIVERS

lliescu's third party complaint contains reference to alleged conflicts of interest by Hale Lane. (Ex. 1, at ¶ 59.) The complaint however fails to identify how any conflict of interest caused lliescu any harm, or what harm he sustained. Although Hale Lane does not anticipate lliescu will address these allegations in his opposition, any claim related to a conflict of interest fails because lliescu has suffered no compensable harm therefrom, and he knowingly waived in writing the very conflicts to which he refers.

The only two items of damage Iliescu alleges he has sustained are liability for Steppan's lien and the attorney's fees he has incurred as a result of this litigation. (Id., at  $\P\P$ 

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& EISENBERG 6005 PLUMAS ST. SUITE 300 RENO, NV 89519 (775) 786-6868 60 through 61.) As discussed above, neither of these liabilities is the result of any wrongdoing by Hale Lane. Nor are these liabilities related to Hale Lane's representation of the developers during the entitlement application process or in attempting to remove Steppan's lien. Instead, Iliescu is liable for these amounts as a result of his own actions.

Furthermore, Iliescu's knowing waiver of any conflict related to Hale Lane's representation of the developers acts as a complete bar to his claims. Pursuant to NRPC 1.7(b), a client may validly waive a conflict of interest by giving informed consent, confirmed in writing. Here, Iliescu executed two written conflict waivers: the first on December 15, 2005, and the second on December 26, 2006. (See Ex. 1, at ¶¶ 20 and 32; see also Exs. 8 and 13.) Iliescu has thus waived any claim he may have related to Hale Lane's representation of the developers. NRPC 1.7(b). Even if Hale Lane was deemed to violate a rule of professional conduct, such violation, without more, cannot serve as a basis for civil liability. *Mainor v. Nault*, 120 Nev. 750, 769, 101 P.3d 308 (2004) ("a violation of a rule of professional conduct alone could not serve as a basis for civil liability.").

Summary judgment must therefore also be granted against Iliescu on these claims.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, third party defendant Hale Lane respectfully requests that summary judgment be entered dismissing all of Iliescu's third party claims against Hale Lane.

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

DATED: March 30, 2011.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of Lemons, Grundy & Eisenberg and that on March 30, 2011, I deposited for mailing in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of the within <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.com/">THIRD PARTY DEFENDANT HALE LANE'S</a> MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT REGARDING THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS BY JOHN ILIESCU,

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Third-Party Defendants.

#### **ANSWER AND THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT**

# ANSWER TO COMPLAINT TO FORECLOSE MECHANIC'S LIEN AND FOR DAMAGES

Defendants John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu as Trustees of the John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust Agreement, and John Iliescu individually, by and through their attorneys Prezant & Mollath and Downey Brand LLP, hereby answer the COMPLAINT TO FORECLOSE MECHANIC'S LIEN AND FOR DAMAGES ("Complaint")<sup>1</sup>, filed by Plaintiff Mark Steppan, on May 4, 2007, and in support thereof, states as follows:

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 1. Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 1 of the Complaint, and they are therefore denied.
  - 2. Admitted.
- 3. The allegations of Paragraph 3 are legal conclusions to which no response is required and/or Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 3 of the Complaint, and they are therefore denied.
- 4. The allegations of Paragraph 4 are legal conclusions to which no response is required and/or Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 4 of the Complaint, and they are therefore denied.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Any capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Complaint.

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(FORECLOSURE OF MECHANIC'S LIEN)

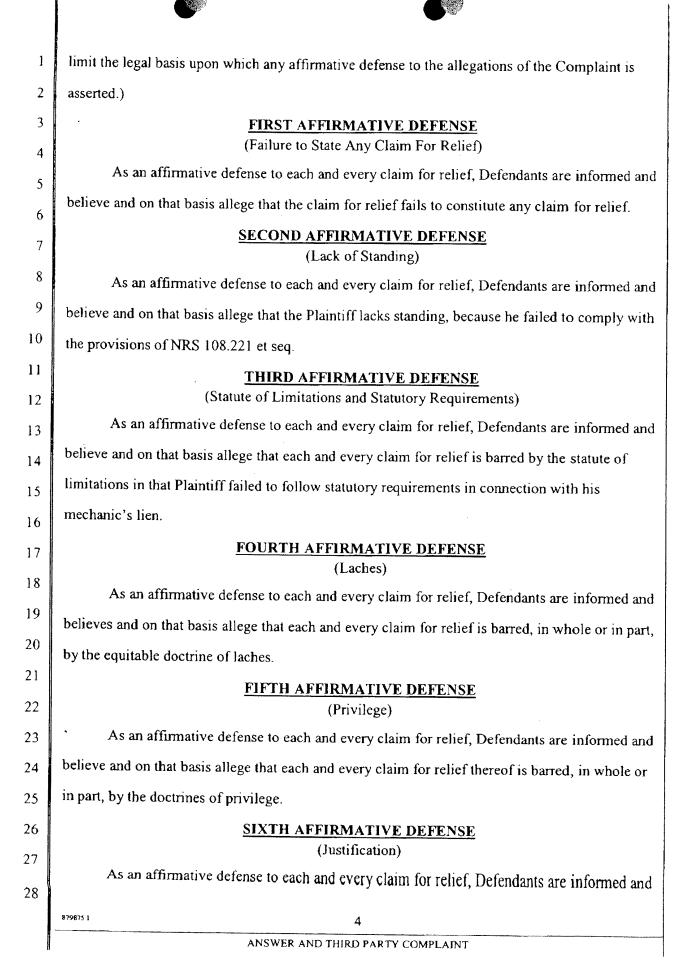
- 5. Defendants restate their responses to Paragraphs 1 4 above as though fully set forth herein.
- 6. The allegations of Paragraph 6 are legal conclusions to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Defendants admit that they currently hold legal title to the Real Property.
- 7. Answering paragraph 7, Defendants admit that the referenced Land Purchase Agreement and associated documents contain certain terms that speak for themselves.

  Defendants lack sufficient information or knowledge to either admit or deny the allegations contained in said paragraph relating to characterization of the agreement, and thus, specifically and generally deny said allegations at this time.
- 8. Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 8 of the Complaint, and they are therefore denied.
- 9. Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 9 of the Complaint, and they are therefore denied.
- 10. Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 10 of the Complaint, and they are therefore denied.
  - 11. Denied.
- 12. Answering paragraph 12, Defendants admit that the referenced documents certain terms that speak for themselves, and may have been recorded or served by Plaintiff. Defendants lack sufficient information or knowledge to either admit or deny the allegations contained in said paragraph relating to characterization of the documents and who recorded or served them, and thus, specifically and generally deny said allegations at this time.
  - 13. Denied.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

(Each of the separate and distinct affirmative defenses hereinafter set forth has a descriptive heading. Such descriptive heading is for convenience only and it is not intended to

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believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrines of justification.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Equity)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, by principles of equity and fairness.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Unclean Hands)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of unclean hands.

#### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Consent)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of consent and/or acquiescence.

#### **TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

(Estoppel)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of estoppel.

#### ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Failure to Mitigate)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, and while denying that Plaintiff has incurred any damages, Defendants are informed and believe and thereon allege that Plaintiff has failed to act reasonably to mitigate, minimize or avoid damages, if any there be. As a result, Plaintiff's recovery, if any, should be barred or reduced.



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#### TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Failure to Join Indispensable Parties)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that Plaintiff has failed to join indispensable parties.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Waiver)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, by waiver.

#### FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Uncertainty)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief thereof, Defendants allege that each and every claim for relief thereof is barred, in whole or in part, as the allegations of the Complaint are uncertain to include the amount claimed as Plaintiff's lien.

#### FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Intentional Acts)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief is barred, in whole or in part, by the intentional acts, omissions, commissions and/or intentional conduct of the Plaintiff, and/or his respective agents, representatives, attorneys and employees, if any.

#### SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Failure To Do Equity)

As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that each and every claim for relief is barred, in whole or in part, by reason of the Plaintiff's failure to do equity.

#### SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Attorneys' Fees and Costs)

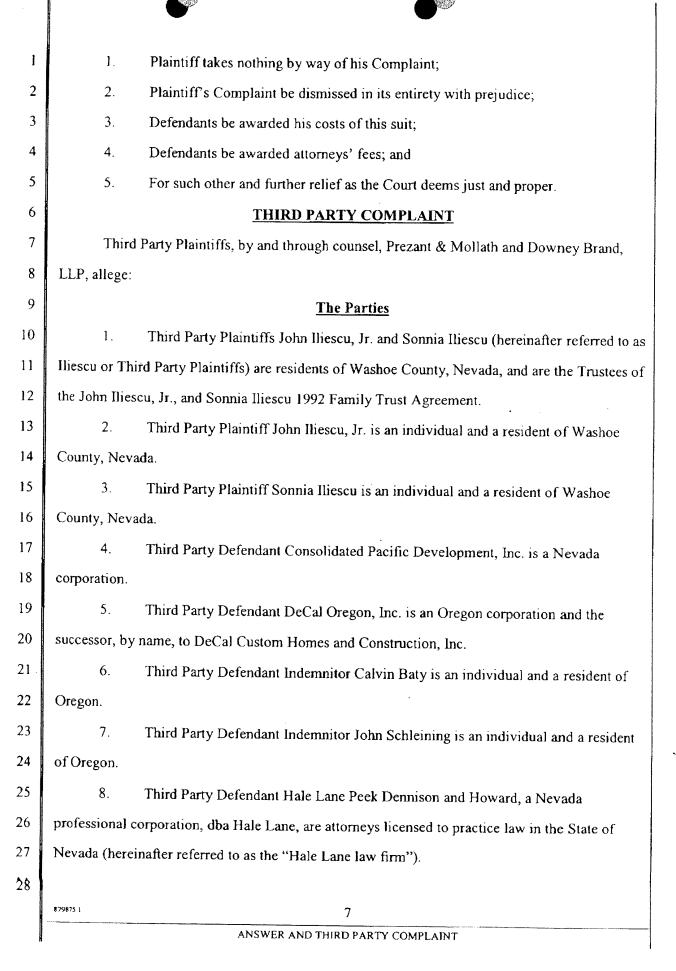
As an affirmative defense to each and every claim for relief, Defendants are informed and believe and on that basis allege that Plaintiff is not entitled to any attorney fees or costs of suit.

#### **CONCLUDING PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Defendants pray for judgment as follows:

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- 9. Third Party Defendants Karen D. Dennison, R. Craig Howard and Jerry M. Snyder are attorneys licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada and are partners and associates of Hale Lane (hereafter referred to individually as "Dennison", "Howard" and "Snyder").
- 10. Third Party Defendants, Does I through X, are persons or entities who participated in the acts alleged herein, or received the proceeds of the acts alleged herein, whose names or identities are not yet known to Third Party Plaintiffs. Third Party Plaintiffs reserve the right to amend this complaint after the identities and nature of their involvement becomes known.
- Third Party Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that at all times relevant herein, all Third Party Defendants, including Does I through X (collectively "Third Party Defendants"), were and are the agent, employee and partner of each of the remaining Third Party Defendants, and were, in performing the acts complained of herein, acting within the scope of such agency, employment, or partnership authority.

#### General Allegations

- 12. Third Party Plaintiffs are the owners of the real property assigned Washoe County Assessors Parcel Numbers 011-112-03, 011-112-06, 011-112-07, and 011-112-12, also commonly known as 219 Court Street, Reno, Nevada, 0 Court Street, Reno, Nevada and 223 Court Street, Reno, Nevada (all collectively, the "Property").
- 13. On or about July 14, 2005, Richard K. Johnson of the Metzker Johnson Group, real estate brokers for Iliescu (hereinafter referred to as Johnson) was contacted by Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. ("CPD"), and its President Sam Caniglia, with an offer to purchase the Property ("Offer"), for \$7,500,000.00.
- 14. On or about July 21, 2005, Johnson prepared a "Land Purchase Agreement that was subsequently executed by Mr. Caniglia for CPD on July 25, 2005.
- 15. On or about July 29, 2005, the Johnson Defendants prepared a revised "Land Purchase Agreement" ("Purchase Agreement") that was submitted to and executed by Iliescu on August 3, 2005.
- 16. The Purchase Agreement also incorporated an Addendum No. 1 dated August 1, 2005, and executed by Iliescu on August 3, 2005, and an Addendum No. 2 dated August 2, 2005,



and executed by Iliescu on August 3, 2005. Addendum No. 2 specifically provided, and the parties contemplated, that the Purchase Agreement would be reviewed, "fine tuned" and clarified by legal counsel retained by Iliescu before finalization.

- 17. On or about August 11, 2005, unbeknownst to Iliescu, CPD had unilaterally purported to assign and transfer all of its interests in the Purchase Agreement to an entity known as DeCal Custom Homes and Construction ("DeCal").
- 18. On or before September 22, 2005, pursuant to Addendum No. 3, Iliescu retained the Hale Lane law firm to review, "fine tune", clarify and, in all respects, advise Iliescu relative to the Purchase Agreement.
- 19. An Addendum No. 3 to the Purchase Agreement was thereafter prepared by Karen D. Dennison of the Hale Lane law firm. Addendum No. 3 was executed by Iliescu and CPD on or about October 8, 2005 and provided that, in certain circumstances, CPD could assign its interests in the Purchase Agreement to another entity. The assignment referred to in Paragraph 17 above, however, was not addressed, disclosed or contained in Addendum No. 3.
- 20. On or before December 14, 2005, the Hale Lane law firm undertook to represent both lliescu and Purchasers Calvin Baty and Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. in relation to obtaining the necessary entitlements on the property as contemplated by the Purchase Agreement. A copy of the December 14, 2005 Waiver of Conflict letter is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A". A major component of the entitlement was the work and drawings of an architect.
- 21. The Hale Lane law firm never discussed with or advised Iliescu at any time to record a Notice of Non-Responsibility with the Washoe County Recorder to ensure the Property would not be encumbered by mechanics or architect's liens recorded by individuals hired by CPD as contemplated by the Purchase Agreement. On October 31, 2005, unbeknownst to Iliescu, an architect, Mark Steppan, AIA, entered into a contract with BSC Financial, LLC in relation to the property subject to the Purchase Agreement.
- 22. Despite being aware and/or involved in the purported assignment to DeCal and representing the purchaser in connection with the entitlement process, the Hale Lane law firm never advised or discussed with liescu the assignment, whether DeCal was an appropriate

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assignee and purchaser of the Property, whether it had the means and financial viability to close the sale, whether or how the purported assignment to DeCal affected Iliescu's interests under the Purchase Agreement and the existence of BSC Financial, LLC as it may relate to the property and Purchase Agreement and the October 31, 2005 contract with Mark Steppan, AIA..

- 23. Iliescu first became aware of the DeCal assignment on or about October 2, 2006 in connection with a TMWA consent form related to the development application for the property with the City of Reno (Case No. LDC06-00321, Wingfield Towers). The original Owner's Affidavit of Iliescu that accompanied the City of Reno application made reference to only CPD and Sam Caniglia.
- 24. On November 7, 2006, Mark Steppan, AlA recorded a mechanic's lien on the property in the sum of \$1,783,548.00. A copy of said Notice and Claim of Lien is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "B". The Hale Lane law firm never informed Iliescu that there was a dispute with the project architect over non-payment for his services.
- 25. On November 28, 2006, the Wingfield Towers project (Case No. LDC06-00321) was approved by the Reno City Council. The Clerk's Letter of Approval was issued November 30, 2006.
- 26. The Mechanic's Lien recorded by Mark Steppan, AIA on November 7, 2006 made reference, at its Paragraph 2, to BSC Financial, LLC, as the entity that employed Mark Steppan, AIA and who furnished the work and services in connection with Iliescu's property. Prior to said date, Iliescu had no knowledge of the existence of or involvement of BSC Financial, LLC relative to the property.
- 27. At some point subsequent to August 10, 2005, without the knowledge and/or consent of Iliescu, Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc. and DeCal Custom Homes & Construction transferred or assigned their interest in the Land Purchase Agreement to BSC Financial, LLC. The Hale Lane law firm never informed Iliescu of any such assignment or even the existence of BSC Financial, LLC.
- 28. As of December 14, 2005, and at all times thereafter, BSC Financial, LLC, Consolidated Pacific Development, Inc., DeCal Custom Homes & Construction, Calvin Baty and

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John Schleining (all related entities or persons) were represented in connection with the property and project referred to in this litigation by the Hale Lane law firm. At the same time, the Hale Lane law firm represented lliescu.

- 29. An Addendum No. 4 to the Purchase Agreement was prepared by the Hale Lane law firm on or about September 18, 2006, and executed by Iliescu and CPD on or about September 19, 2006. Again, in said Addendum, there was no disclosure of or reference to DeCal or BSC Financial, LLC.
- 30. The Hale Lane law firm also represented Iliescu in regard to a) the Mechanic's Lien recorded by Mark Steppan, AIA, and b) closing the Land Purchase Agreement. During said time, the Hale Lane law firm did not advise lliescu of the nature and extent of the problems that existed relative to the transaction, the Purchase Agreements, the Mechanic's Lien filed by Mark Steppan, AlA, the inherent conflicts that now existed between Iliescu, the inter-related Buyers as referred to above, and the complications of the transaction.
- 31. On or about December 8, 2006, as a result of the recordation of the Mechanic's Lien by Mark Steppan, AIA, the Hale Lane law firm and R. Craig Howard prepared an Indemnity Agreement for their clients referred to in Paragraph 28 above. A copy of said Indemnity Agreement is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "C". Said Indemnity Agreement was submitted to Iliescu on December 12, 2006. Again, the Hale Lane law firm did not advise Iliescu of the problems that existed as set forth in the above paragraphs.
- 32. On or about December 26, 2006, the Hale Lane law firm drafted a Conflict of Interest Waiver Agreement and submitted it to lliescu and BSC Financial, LLC for signature. The Agreement was executed by the parties. A copy of said Agreement is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "D". The Hale Lane law firm never advised lliescu that the conflict of interest that existed might not be waivable, nor did it advise lliescu of the problems that now existed as set forth in the above paragraphs.
- 33. Thereafter, the Hale Lane law firm embarked upon a course of advising Iliescu and preparing documents so as to allow the Purchase Agreement to close with BSC Financial, LLC. Such conduct included dealing with the Mechanic's Lien of Mark Steppan, AIA, recommending



to and obtaining Iliescu's consent to the assignment of the Land Purchase Agreement to BSC Financial, LLC. Such consent was not in the best legal interests of Iliescu, given the existence of the Mechanic's Lien and other problems as set forth in the above paragraphs.

- 34. On February 14, 2007, Jerry M. Snyder and the Hale Lane law firm, on behalf of Iliescu, filed an Application for Release of the Mark Steppan, AlA Mechanic's Lien in Case No. CV07-00341. Said Application is still pending. On May 4, 2007, Mark Steppan, AlA filed a Complaint to Foreclose Mechanic's Lien and Damages in Case No. CV07-01021.
  - 35. BSC Financial, LLC filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on April 25, 2007.
- 36. The Architect's Lien remains a cloud on Iliescu's title, Steppan has filed suit for foreclosure of the Architect's Lien and seeks judicial foreclosure of his purported Architect's Lien upon Iliescu's real property.

#### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Declaratory Relief—Against the Indemnitors Baty and Schleining)

- 37. Iliescu realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 36 of this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 38. A dispute and actual controversy has arisen and now exists between Iliescu and Defendants regarding the rights, duties, and obligations of the parties.
- 39. Specifically, Iliescu is informed and believes, and based thereon allege, that the Indemnitors, both pursuant to the Indemnity Agreement and an implied indemnity, owe Iliescu a duty to defend this action and make Iliescu whole for any and all costs, damages, claims, or losses suffered as a result of the Architect's Lien and the BSC Financial, LLC contract or agreement with Steppan and its bankruptcy filing.
- 40. Iliescu is informed and believes, and based thereon allege, that the Indemnitors dispute lliescu 's interpretation and assertion of rights.
- 41. In view of the actual conflict and controversy between the parties, Iliescu desires a judicial determination of the respective rights, duties, and obligations of Iliescu, and the Indemnitors.



#### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Indemnification—Against the Indemnitors Batty and Schleining)

- 42. Iliescu realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 41 of this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 43. To the extent Iliescu is held liable for any and all costs or damages incurred as a result of the Architect's Lien, and/or the loss of the Property to foreclosure, the bankruptcy filing, and the acts and omissions of the Indemnitors, Iliescu is entitled to be completely indemnified by the Indemnitors for any and all damages, including consequential, suffered by Iliescu.

#### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Breach of Contract - Against CPD and DeCal)

- 44. Iliescu realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 43 of this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
  - 45. The Purchase Agreement is a valid and binding contract.
  - 46. CPD is obligated under the terms of the contract as the original contracting party.
- 47. DeCal is obligated under the terms of the contract by virtue of the assignment to DeCal.
- 48. Iliescu has performed, stands ready to perform, and has the ability to perform as required under the terms of the Purchase Agreement.
- 49. Both CPD and DeCal have failed to, among other things, tender the remainder of the purchase price for the Property due under the terms of the Purchase Agreement.
- 50. Iliescu has been harmed by CPD and DeCal's breaches of the Purchase Agreement because they have been unable to obtain the benefit of their bargain, which includes, among other things, consequential damages, interest on, and the principal of, the remainder of the purchase price for the Property due under the terms of the Purchase Agreement and CPD and DeCal's actions causing recordation of the Steppan Mechanic's Lien and their failure to indemnify Iliescu therefrom.



#### FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Specific Performance—Against CPD and DeCal)

- 51. Iliescu realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 50 of this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 52. The Purchase Contract is a valid and binding contract, and is binding on both CPD and DeCal.
- 53. CPD and DeCal have failed to satisfy their obligations under the Purchase Agreement.
- 54. Iliescu is entitled to a decree of specific performance from the Court, requiring CPD and DeCal to perform as required under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, by (1) tendering the remainder of the purchase price due to Iliescu and (2) indemnifying Iliescu for any damages, costs, or attorneys fees arising out of the contract with Steppan and the Architect's Lien.

#### FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Against the Hale Lane law firm, Dennison, Howard and Snyder - Professional Malpractice)

- 55. Iliescu realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 54 of this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.
- 56. The Hale Lane law firm, Dennison, Howard and Snyder, as licensed attorneys and counselors at law, owe lliescu a duty to have a degree of learning and skill ordinarily possessed by reputable licensed attorneys engaged in the type of transaction addressed herein, and owe lliescu a duty to use reasonable diligence and their best judgment in the exercise of skill and the application of learning held by reputable licensed attorneys in Northern Nevada engaged in the type of business and transactions described herein.
- 57. The Hale Lane law firm breached the duties enumerated above, and failed to perform these duties, as addressed herein.

#### SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Against the Hale Lane law firm - Negligence)

58. Iliescu realleges and incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1 through 57 of this Complaint, as if fully set forth herein.



- 59. The Hale Lane law firm, Dennison, Howard and Snyder were negligent because, among other things, they failed to advise Iliescu to record a Notice of Non-Responsibility, failed to properly advise Iliescu of the consequence of their conflict of interest in representing Iliescu in the transaction addressed herein, and continued to represent Iliescu in the face of a non-waivable conflict of interest.
- 60. The Hale Lane law firm's negligence has damaged Iliescu, has caused them to incur attorneys fees, and has resulted in the Mechanic's Lien and potential loss of the Property through foreclosure.
- 61. The Hale Lane law firm owed a duty to Iliescu to exercise reasonable care in how they handled the sale transaction, the Purchase Agreement, and their advice to Iliescu regarding the Property, and breached that duty by way of the breaches and omissions set forth above.

WHEREFORE, Iliescu prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. For damages in an amount in excess of \$10,000.00 to compensate for the losses. damages, and expenses incurred by Iliescu;
- 2. For a declaration that the Indemnitors are fully responsible for any and all costs or damages suffered by Iliescu arising out of the Architect's Lien and/or the BSC Financial, LLC contract or agreement with Steppan;
- 3. For a decree of specific performance requiring CPD and DeCal to perform as required under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, to include damages and indemnification from the Steppan Mechanic's Lien.
  - 5. For attorneys' fees incurred in the prosecution of this action;

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For costs of suit; and, 6. 7. For such other and further relief as the court deems proper. DATED this 27Hday of September, 2007. PREZANT & MOLLATH Stephen C. Mollath, Esq. and DOWNEY BRAND LLP Sallie Armstrong, Esq. Attorneys for John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu and The John Iliescu, Jr. and Sonnia Iliescu 1992 Family Trust ANSWER AND THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT



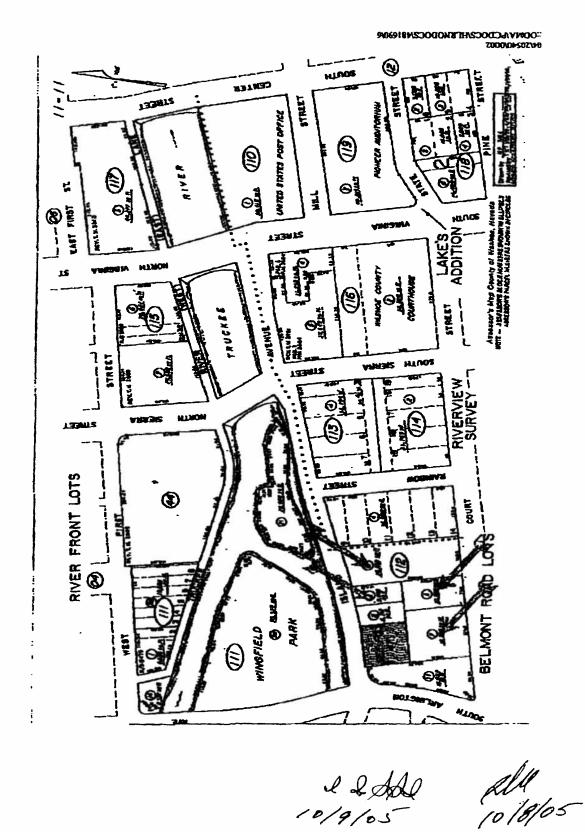


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# **EXHIBIT 4**

Consolidated Pacific Development Inc.

932 Parker Street, Berkeley, CA 94710 (510) 548-6093 (FAX) 548-6164



VIA FACSIMILE 775 823-8848

July 14 2005

Mr. Dick Johnson Metzker Johnson Group 6490 McCarran Blvd. Suite 10 Reno, NV 89509

Dear Dick:

In keeping with our telephone conversation of this date I am prepared to make an offer on Johns parcel of land between the River Walk and Court St. As you are aware, by my many phone calls, my interest in the project has never weakened.

The following is my proposal:

- 1. I will need a 30 day period to contact the City and make certain that they are supportive of the project. I cannot imagine they would not be, but with this amount of money involved I have to be certain.
- 2. At the end of 30 days One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) would be tendered to John and becomes non-refundable. In all instances the non-refundable monies are credited to the purchase price.
- 3. Every 60 days an additional One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) will be tendered to John with the same conditions spelled out in Item 2 above. This will continue until the City approves the project. It is anticipated it will take 7 to 9 months for approval.
- 4. The sales price is to be Six Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$6,500,000.00) plus one penthouse.

These are the advantages with our company and its partner:

- 1. Financing has already been tentatively arranged and will be in place well before the project is approved.
- 2. Project to be built by an experienced developer/builder team with a proven record.

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- 2. Project to be built by an experienced developer/builder team with a proven record.
- 3. Architect and Engineers in place ready to start work.
- 4. Upon tentative map approval site work can commence using the fast track method.
- 5. Building will be ready for occupancy in 30 months, plus or minus, from today depending on the approval time. We have assumed the longer period of 9 months.

Dick, I have told you on repeated occasions I would not come to the table unless I was prepared to move forward. Now is the time. Please advise at your earliest convenience, as my group with bankers, architects and engineers are scheduled to visit the site next Wednesday July 20, 2005.

Should you have any questions, please contact me immediately.

Sincerely,

Sam A. Caniglia

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**EXHIBIT 5** 

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Consolidated Pacific Development Inc. 932 Parter Street, Berkeley, CA 94710 (510) 548-6093 (FAX) 548-6164

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TELECOPIER COVER SHEET

Please deliver enclosed pages to:

NAME DICK JOHNSON

COMPANY: M.ETZKER LOHNSON Group

FAX No.: 775 823 3848 Phone No.: 775 823 - 8877

FROM: SAM CANYOLIA

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ADDRESS Hiesen Land at Court St and Island Street

METZKER JOHNSON GROUPE COMMERCIAL \* RESIDENTIAL \* INVESTMENT \* REALTY

6490 S. McCarrae Blvd., RENO, NEVADA 89509

PHONE: (775) 823-8877 FAX: (775) 823-88-48

# AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Date Prepared First Amendment: July 21, 2005

Property Address: APN: 011-112-06, 011-112-07, 011-112-12, 011-112-02, 011-112-03

RECEIVED from CONSOLIDATED PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT INC. a Nevada Corporation and/or passignees (hereinafter designated as "BUYER"), the sum of \$25,000 00(Twenty Five Thousand and no/100 Dollars) evidenced by Cash, Check, Other, n/a on account of the PURCHASE PRICE of S6,800,000.00 (Six Million Eight Hundred Thousand and no/100 Dollars) for that certain land, improvements, and personal property, if any, (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Property") situated in the City of Reno., County of Washor, State of Nevada, and more particularly described as follows: (the "Property") 219 Court Street (APN 011-112-12 John Ir. and Sannia Niescu Trust Seller), O Court Street (APN 011-112-07 John Jr. and Sonnia Niescu Trust Seller), and 223 Court Street (APN 011-112-06 John Riescy, Seller) (APN 011-112-03 John It and Sannia fliescu Trust Seller ) 260 Jahard Ave. (APN 011-112-02 John Jr. and Sannia fliescu Trust Seller) consisting of approximately 64,641 square feet of land, water rights defined in Paragraph 39(F) below, and that certain vacant building of approximately square feet, upon the following TERMS and CONDITIONS:

### 1. FINANCE TERMS:

1.1 **DEPOSIT:** 

\$ 25,000.00

To be deposited within Three (3) working days of acceptance with Escrow Holder. The initial deposit shall be held by Metrker Johnson Graun. subject to applicable statutes and regulations.

1.2 ADDITIONAL CASH DEPOSIT:

\$.475,000,00

The deposit shall be increased in the form of each or eachiers check to be deposited with escrow holder for immediate disbursement to the Seller and Seller's agent proportionately. Deposits are non-refundable and credited to the purchase price. The additional deposit shall be paid as follows.

- an additional \$ 75,000.00 within 30 days from acceptance,
- an additional \$ 100,000.00 within 90 days from acceptance,
- an additional \$\_100,000.00 within \_150\_ days from acceptance,
- an additional \$\_100,000.00 within 210 days from acceptance,
- an additional \$\_100,000.00\_within \_270\_ days from acceptance,
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governmental approvals of the project, Seller agrees to extend the close of escrow, as needed to obtain approvals. Buyer to pay an additional

METZKER OHNSON GROLP Seller

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BROKER OR AGENT includes cooperating brokers, brokers, all sales persons and agents. DAYS means calendar days unless otherwise specified. If the (a) stated Closing date or (b) last day for the performance of an act falls upon a day during which normal business is not performed then the Closing date or such last day, as the case may be, will be the next following regular business day. DATE OF ACCEPTANCE (EFFECTIVE DATE) means the date the Seller accepts the offer or counter offer is accepted by both parties. DELIVERED means personally delivered to Principals or respective licensees, transmitted by the facsimile machine, or mailed by registered carrier, next business day delivery with receipt requested. In the event of fax transmission, delivery shall be deemed to be complete at the time noted on the sender's fax confirmation sheet. DATE OF CLOSING means the date title is transferred. The SINGULAR includes the plural and the MASCULINE includes the ferminine. TERMINATING THE AGREEMENT means that both parties are relieved of their obligations and all deposits will be returned to the Buyer less expenses incurred by or on account of the Buyer to the date of termination. PROPERTY, unless the context indicates otherwise, means all easements and rights appurtenant thereto and all improvements thereon, including all building thereon and any rights appurtenant thereto, all other improvements, all personal property owned by Seller and used in the operation or maintenance and management of the real property, and all contract or lease rights, agreements, water rights, mineral rights, utility contracts or other rights relating to the ownership, use and operation of the real property. DATE PREPARED is for reference only.

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at close of escrow. Title shall be conveyed to Buyer by properly executed and duly recorded Grant Deed.  Buyer shall have the right to close escrow anytime prior to the Closing designated in this agreement.
On the date of closing, Escrow Holder shall issue commercial title insurance, in the form of CLTA or ALTA Policy of Title Insurance to be paid by Buyer Seller, insuring Buyer's title to the Property in an amount equal to the full purchase price. Said title policy shall insure that Buyer has good and marketable title to the Property subject only to the exceptions authorized.  Note: Buyer should discuss the choice of policy with the title company of his choice at the time escrow is opened.  Buyer is aware that additional coverage policies are available. All cost associated with additional coverage policy to be paid by Buyer, Seller, As soon as reasonably possible following opening of escrow, but not to exceed  (L1) days from acceptance, Buyer, Seller, As by buyer and As by Seller.  (L1) days from acceptance, Buyer, Seller, As by buyer and As by buyer and Mas of date of acceptance to notify Seller and Escrow Holder in writing of Buyer's reasonable disapproval of any such exceptions. Failure of Buyer to disapprove in writing any exceptions within the aforementioned time limit shall be deemed to be an approval of the Report.  In the event Buyer disapproves any exception in the Report, Seller shall use due diligence to remove such exceptions at his own expense.  Seller shall have Lett (10) or As (ass) days from notification to remove the exceptions. But if such exceptions cannot be removed, or Seller refuses to remove or correct said conditions, by this date, all rights and obligations herein may, at the election of the Buyer, terminate and the deposit shall be returned to Buyer, unless he elects to purchase the property subject to such exceptions.  4.2 The manner of taking title may have significant legal and tax consequences. Buyer should obtain advice from his legal or tax counsel regarding this matter. Title shall vest as designated in Escrow Instructions.
6. BONDS:  The amount of any bond or assessment which is a lien shall be:   paid by the Seller,   assumed by Buyer.
7. EXPIRATION:  This offer shall expire, and be rendered null and void, unless a copy with Seller's written acceptance (facsimile copy acceptable) is delivered to the Buyer or the Buyer's agent on or before
8. PROVISIONS AS FURTHER DEFINED: The Provisions marked X below, and further defined in this document, are included in this agreement.
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BUYER BUYER INCLUDED: WAIVED:  N/A S-D. BROKER REPRESENTING BOTH PARTIES:  Buyer and Seller acknowledge that the broker in this transaction represents both parties and  Buyer and Seller consent hereto.
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INCLUDED: WAIVED:  Notwithstanding agreements with respect to payment of commissions, or rights granted under Multiple Listing agreements, the parties agree that the Seller's Broker named herein is the agent of the Seller and is not the agent of the Buyer, and that the Buyer's Broker named herein is the agent of the Buyer and is not the agent of the Seller of a sub-agent of Seller's Broker.
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Offer is contingent upon the sale of (address)_n/2
BUYER INCLUDED WAIVED:  N/A 8-G. TAX DEFERRED EXCHANGE (INVESTMENT PROPERTY):
In the event that Seller wishes to enter in a tax deferred exchange for the real property described herein, or if Buyer wishes to enter into tax deferred exchange with respect to property owned by him in connection with this transaction, each of the parties agrees to cooperate with the other party in connection with such exchange, including the execution of such documents as may be reasonably necessary to effectuate the same. Provided that: (a) The other party shall not be obligated to delay the closing, (b) All additional costs in connection with the exchange should be borne by the party requesting the exchange, and (c) The other party shall not be obligated to execute any note, contract, deed or other document providing for any personal liability which would survive the exchange, nor shall the other party be obligated to take title to any property other than the property described in this agreement. The other party shall be indemnified and held harmless against any liability which arises or is claimed to have arisen on account of the acquisition of the exchange property.
Buyer may elect to do a 1031 Tax Deferred Exchange
Seller does not intend to do a 1031 Tax Deferred Exchange
BUYER BUYER INCLUDED: WAIVED:  N/A 8.G OWNER'S ASSOCIATION DISCLOSURE:  At time of acceptance, Seller shall deliver to Buyer an Addendum to Purchase Agreement for Common Ownership Interest Properties, which by this reference shall be incorporated into this Agreement.  Association transfer fees of \$.N/A, to be paid by Buyer Seller Other N/A. The amount of any delinquent assessments including penalties, attorney's fees, and other charges provided for in the management documents shall be paid current by the Seller at close of escrow. Seller represents that there
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are no Common Ownership Associations or Agreements related to the Property.
BUYER  INCLUDED: WAIVED:  N/A 6.21 ADDITIONAL INSPECTIONS:  Unless stated otherwise in this agreement, the Buyer shall at Buyer's Seller's expense, have the
right to order any and all inspections that Buyer deems necessary by experts, including, but not limited to, engineers, geologists, architects, contractors, surveyors, and structural pest control operators to inspect the property for any structural and non-structural conditions, including matters concerning,
but not limited to, roofing, electrical, plumbing, heating cooling, appliances, pool, boundaries, structural inspection report, roof inspection, Phase I Environmental Report on Hazardous Wastes and Materials, A.D.A. (Americans Disabilities Act) Report, Asbestos testing report, lead based paint report, radon report, mold inspection, wood stove inspection, seismology report and/or earth quake
fault information, electromagnetic field report, water quality / quantify report, septic systems inspection, shall be ordered and must exercise that right within _thirty (30) days of acceptance of this Agreement. Reports shall be approved, rejected, or waived by Buyer within Interpretable and must exercise that right within Interpretable Buyer
days N/A (N/A) days of receipt by Buyer of such report.  Buyer shall furnish Seller, at no cost to Seller, copies of inspections and reports obtained, along with list(s) itermizing all repairs requested by Buyer as indicated by said inspections and reports within the (10) days N/A (N/A) days of receipt of same. Seller agrees to pay an amount NOT to exceed
the total sum of \$\text{N/A} for all repair conditions indicated, per the above contingency reports and/or any defect discovered or defect which has become worse than was originally indicated.  Any needed repairs, remediation, or corrective action identified by said reports in excess of the above
stated dollar amount shall be at Buyers expense. However, if repair expenses are considered excessive by Buyer, then Buyer may terminate this agreement at Buyers discretion unless Seller agrees to repair at Seller's expense by written addendum.
If not completed by close of escrow, funds shall be held in escrow, if not disallowed by Lender, and disbursed by escrow holder upon receipt of a statement by a licensed structure pest control operator, certifying that the property is free of evidence of active infestation or infection.
As soon as the same are available, copies of the report, and any certification or other proof of completion of the work shall be delivered to the Agent of Buyer and Seller who are authorized to receive the same on behalf of their principals.
Buyer acknowledges that he has not relied upon any representations by the Agent with respect to the condition of the Property.
9. CHANGES DURING TRANSACTION:  During the pendency of this transaction, Seller agrees that no changes in the existing leases or rental agreements shall be made, nor new leases or rental agreements entered into, nor shall any substantial alterations or repairs be made or undertaken without the written consent of the Buyer.
10. PRORATIONS: 10.1 TAXES: Real property taxes payable by the owner of the Property shall be prorated through
Escrow as of the date of the recordation of the deed, based upon the latest tax bill available. Buyer shall pay supplemental tax bill levied by the transfer of the Property to the Buyer Payment shall be
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ADDREAS: Thesen Land at Court St and Island Sheet made promptly in cash upon receipt of a copy of any such supplemental bill of the amount necessary to accomplish such pro-ration. Seller shall pay and discharge in full, at or before the Closing, the unpaid balance of any special assessment bonds. 10.2 INSURANCE: If Buyer elects to take an assignment of the existing casualty and/or liability insurance that is maintained by Seller, the current premium therefore shall be prorated through Escrow as of the date of Closing, 10.3RENTALS, INTEREST AND EXPENSES: Expenses, such as, but not limited to, utilities, and operating expenses shall be prorated as of the date of Closing. Such items shall be supplied by Seller within \(\simega\) two (2) days or \(\sum \frac{N(A)}{A}\) days prior to close of escrow. The Parties agree to promptly adjust between themselves outside of Escrow arry rents received after the Closing. \$ECURITY DEPOSIT AND LEASE CREDITS: Security Deposits held by Seller and considerations involving lease credits shall be given to Buyer by a credit to the cash required of Buyer at the Closing. Such items shall be supplied by Seller within \( \sum\_{\text{text}} \text{(2) days} \) or \( \sum\_{\text{N/A}} \) (N/A) days prior to close of escrow. 10.6 POST CLOSING MATTERS: Any item to be prorated that is not determined or determinable at the Closing shall be adjusted by the parties as soon as possible following close of escrow. 12. ENCUMBRANCES: In addition to any encumbrances referred to herein, Buyer shall take title to the property subject to: (1) Real Estate Taxes not yet due and (2) Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Rights of Way, and Easements of record, if any, which do not materially affect the value or intended use of the property. Such encumbrances shall be deemed approved unless written notice to the contrary is delivered to Seller or his agent within THIRTY (30) days of acceptance. 13. NOTICES: By acceptance hereof Seller warrants that he has no notice of violations or of any claims relating to the property from City, County, State, or Federal agencies, or any other person or person. Purpuars to Nevada revised statutes, the Buyer(s) of real property, for or under, development is hereby informed that such property may be subject to impact fees which have been or will be imposed by governmental agencies. 14. DEFAULT: In the event that Buyer shall default in the performance of this agreement. Seller may subject to any rights of the Broker herein, retain Buyer's deposit on account of damages sustained all as more fully provided in paragraph 42 below, and Buyer shall have the right to take such action as he deems appropriate to recover such portion of the deposit as may be allowed by law. 15. PHYSICAL POSSESSION: Physical possession shall be delivered to Buyer upon recordation of the deed METZKER OHNSON

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#### 16. TIME:

Time is of the essence as to each and overy provision of this agreement. If after a good faith effort, any condition stated in this contract has not been eliminated or satisfied within the time limits and pursuant to the provisions of this contract, then this contract may be deemed null and void, the deposit shall be returned to Purchaser, and the escrow shall be canceled. Either party may resort to such remedies as it may have in law or equity, subject to the liquidated damages provision set forth in Paragraph 42 below.

### 17. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:

Seller represents and warrants that, to the best of Seller's knowledge, the Property is not contaminated with any hazardous materials, including, but not limited to, asbestos, processed petroleum derivatives, PCB transformers, other toxic, hazardous or contaminated substances, and underground storage tanks. Seller agrees to disclose to Agent(s), to Buyer, and to all prospective buyers any and all information which Seller has or may acquire regarding the presence and location of any hazardous materials on or about the Property.

Both Buyers and Sellers should seek the advice of independent experts regarding the potential presence and/or effect of toxic or hazardous substances on real property and any improvements to be sold or purchased.

## 18. AGENT(S) DISCLAIMER:

Buyer and Seller acknowledges that except as otherwise expressly stated herein, Agent(s) has not made any warranty or representation with respect to any of the following: (a) the legality of the present or any possible future use of the Property under any federal, state or local law; (b) pending or possible future action by any governmental entity or agency which may affect the Property; (c) the physical condition of the Property, including but not limited to soil conditions. Buyer/Seller agree that investigation and analysis of all matters related to the Property is their sole responsibility and that Buyer/Seller shall not hold the agent(s) responsible relating in any way to the foregoing matters.

#### 19. CORRESPONDENCE:

All notices required or permitted hereunder shall be made and given to parties in writing with a copy thereof to Agent(s). Any such writing may be sent to the parties and Agent(s) by mail, air express (government or private carrier), or facaimile machine.

Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement all notices, demands or other communications given hereunder shall be in writing and will be deemed to have been duly delivered upon personal delivery, as of the next day after deposit with a commonly accepted courier for over-night delivery, or as of the third business day after mailing by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid an addressed as follows:

	If to Seller, to: JOHN ILIESCII	
	200 COURT STREET	
	RENO, NEVADA 89501	
	If to Buyer, to: SAM CANIGLIA	
	932 PARKER STREET	
	AERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	
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Copies to: Richard K. Johnson

Fax: 775-823-8848

Reno, Nevada 89509

6490 S. McCarran Blvd. Phone: 775-823-8877

Signed documents received via facsimile shall be binding and shall be used for the preliminary negotiations, and will be followed up with original written and executed documents.

### 20. SEVERABILITY:

If for any reason, any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be unenforceable, it shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of the Agreement.

Weliver by one party of the performance of any covenant, condition or promise shall not invalidate this Agreement, nor shall it be considered to be a waiver by such party of any other coveraint, condition or promise hereunder.

## 21. GOVERNING LAW:

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Nevada

### 22. NO ONE DEEMED DRAFTER:

Buyer and Seller hereby agree that neither Buyer, Seller nor Agenus) shall be deemed to be the drafter of this Agreement and that in the event this Agreement is ever construed by a court of law, such court shall not construe this Agreement or any provision hereof against either Buyer, Seller or Agent(s) as the drafter hereof. Buyer and Seller hereby waive any and all rights to claims against the other party and Agent(s) relating in any way to the foregoing matter.

### 23. COUNTERPARTS:

The parties may execute this Agreement, any and all addends attached hereto, and any and all future modifications of this Agreement in two or more counterparts which shall, in the aggregate, be signed by all the parties; each counterpart shall be deemed an original instrument as against any party who has signed it; all of which together will constitute but one instrument.

# 24. EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AGREEMENT:

The earliest date by which both Buyer and Seller have fully executed this Agreement shall be the "Effective Date of this Agreement". At the top of this Agreement is the "Written Date" which is used for reference purposes only.

# 25. AUTHORITY OF INDIVIDUALS SIGNING ON BEHALF OF ENTITY:

Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of an entity constituting either party warrants that (a) he or she is duly authorized to sign and deliver this Agreement on behalf of the entity, in accordance with a duly adopted resolution of the board of directors or the bylaws of the corporation in the case of a corporation, in accordance with the Agreement of Partnership or resolution pursuant thereto in the case of a partnership, or in accordance with the trust agreement in the case of a trust, and (b) this Agreement is binding upon the corporation, partnership or trust in accordance with its terms. Such entity shall be duly and properly

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organized to transact business in the State of Nevada. This Agreement shall continue and be binding on the heirs, successors, and assigns of the parties hereto.

# 26. EXHIBITS AND ADDENDUM:

All anached exhibits and addendum referred to in this Agreement are a part of this Agreement.

### 27. BUSINESS DAYS:

If the (a) stated Closing date or (b) last day for performance of an act falls upon a day during which normal business is not performed, then the Closing date or such last day, as the case may be, will be the next following regular business day.

### 28. LAND USE RESTRICTIONS:

Buyer shall satisfy himself through sources of information, other than the principals or real estate brokers or salespersons in this transaction, whether any public or private in the form of a vote, initiative, referendum, local ordinance, law, or other measure presently in force or contemplated by a governing or other body may halt entirely or otherwise restrict Buyer's use of the subject property for improvement or other use, and Buyer acknowledges that he has not relied on any advice or representations by the principals or real estate representatives in this transaction for such independent information to any extent.

# 29. VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION:

Any square footage, land or improvements, is approximate and neither Seller nor Broker guarantee its accuracy. Any oral or written representations by Seller or Broker regarding age of improvements, size, and square footage of parcel or building, or location of property lines, may not be accurate. Apparent boundary line indicators such as fences, hedges, walls, or other barriers may not represent the true boundary lines. Broker/agent does not necessarily investigate the status of permits, zoning, or code compliance. Buyer is to satisfy himself concerning this information if any of these issues are important or a critical element of the purchase decision. Buyer acknowledges that he has not received or relied upon any representations by either the Broker or the Seller with respect to the condition of the property which are not contained in this agreement or in any attachments. Although deemed accurate, the information contained in the Multiple Listing Service book, computer or advertisements, and feature sheets pertaining to this property are not warranged or guaranteed by the listing or selling office. Errors and/or omissions in imputting information, while uncommon, are possible. Buyer shall be responsible for verifying the accuracy of pertinent information, deposit of all funds necessary to close into escrow shall be deemed as final acceptance of the property. Seller agrees to hold all Brokers and Licensees in the transaction harmless and to defend and indemnify them from any claim, demand, action or proceedings resulting from any omission or alleged omission by Seller in his statements.

# 30. ATTORNEYS FEES:

If this Agreement gives rise to any litigation, arbitration, or other legal proceeding between any of the parties hereto, including Agent(s), the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its actual costs and expenses, including court costs, costs of arbitration, and reasonable attorneys' fees, in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled. The undersigned parties agree to hold Broker, Metzker Johnson Group, and Broker's Agent, Richard K. Johnson harmless from and against any and all damages, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising from any disputes between Buyer and/or Seller and/or Agent



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under this Agreement, unless Agent is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be fraudulent in connection with any such claim or claims

# 31. ACCESS TO PROPERTY:

Seller agrees to provide access to the property to Buyer, inspectors, appraisers, and all other professionals representing Buyer. Buyer shall indemnify, defend and hold Seller harmless from any lien, loss, claim, liability, or expense, including (without limitation) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, arising out of or in connection with its activities (including, without limitation, Buyer's agents and employees, and independent contractors retained by or acting on behalf of Buyer (collectively, "Buyer's Agents") on the Property. Buyer shall have no liability to Seller for any lien, loss claim, diminution in value, liability or expense incurred by Seller arising out of discovery by Buyer or Buyer's Agents of any hazardous materials or toxic substances as defined in applicable state or federal law, on or about the Property, so long as the activities of Buyer and Buyer's Agents on the Property are performed with due diligence in accordance with the industry standards for such activities and further providing that neither Buyer or Buyer's Agents' is actively negligent in the performance of such activities.

# 32. PREPAYMENT:

Seller will pay any prepayment charge imposed on any existing loan paid off at close of escrow.

# 33. DUE ON SALE CLAUSE:

If the note and deed of trust or mortgage for any existing loan contains an acceleration or DUE ON SALE CLAUSE, the lender may demand full payment of the entire loan balance as a result of this transaction. Both parties acknowledge that they are not relying on any representation by the other party or the Broker with respect to the enforceability of such a provision in existing notes and deeds of trust or mortgages, or deeds of trust or mortgages to be executed in accordance with this Agreement. Both parties have been advised by the Broker to seek independent legal advice with respect to these matters.

# 34. REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND FEES:

Per the terms and conditions as itemized under Acceptance below. Buyer and Seller herein agree that Seller shall pay the commission(s) through Close of Escrow, to Metzker Johnson Group. Broker (Richard K. Johnson, Agent) of the Seller; and NONE, Broker (NONE, Agent) of the Buyer.

It is agreed by Buyer, Seller and Escrow Holder that Broker(s) is/are a third party beneficiary of this Agreement insofar as the Broker's fee is concerned, and that no change shall be shall be made by Buyer, Seller or Escrow Holder with respect to the time of payment, amount of payment, or the conditions to payment of the Broker's fee specified in this Agreement, without the written consent of Broker's).

Buyer and Seller each represent and warrant to the other that he/sho/it has had no dealings with any person, firm, broker or finder in connection with the negotiations of this Agreement and/or the consummation of the purchase and sale contemplated herein, other than the Broker(s) named herein, and no broker or other person, firm or entity, other than said Broker(s) is/are entitled to any commission or finder's fee in connection with this transaction as the result of any dealings or acts of such Party. Buyer and Seller do each hereby agree to indemnify, defend, protect and hold the other harmless from and against any costs, expenses or liability for compensation, commission or charges which may be claimed by any broker, finder or similar party, other than said named Broker(s) by

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reason of any dealings or act of the indomnifying Party.

35. VESTED TITLE: The Seller warrants and represents that they have title to the Proeprty and the right and authority to transfer the same of the Buyer. The manner of taking title may have significant legal and tax consequences. Buyer should obtain advice from his legal or tax counsel regarding this matter. Title shall vest as designated in Escrow Instructions.

### 36. IMPACT FEES:

Fursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes, the Buyer(s) of real property, for or under, development is hereby informed that such property may be subject to impact fees which have been or will be imposed by governmental agencies. Existing Impact fees shall be Paid by Seller, Assumed by Buyer.

## 37. DEFERRED AGRICULTURAL TAX:

In the event of any Deferred Agriculture Tax, Seller shall pay said taxed through close of escrow.

# 38. EXISTING CONDITION:

Buyer hereby acknowledge that, except as otherwise stated in this Agreement, Buyer is purchasing the Property in its existing condition and will, by the time called for herein, make or have waived all inspections of the Property that Buyer believes are necessary to protect its own interest in, and its contemplated use of, the Property. The Parties acknowledge that, except as otherwise stated in this Agreement, no representations, inducements, promises, agreements, assurances, oral or written, concerning the Property, or any aspect of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, hazardous substance laws or any other act, ordinance of law, have been made by either Party or Broker, or relied upon by either Party hereto.

### 39. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. Subject to the Terms and Conditions of this agreement, the Seller hereby grants to Buyer, an irrevocable, exclusive right to purchase the Property consisting of the parcel(s) of land along with all buildings and structures (IF ANY), easements and rights appurtenant (including, without limitations, all development rights, all mineral, oil, gas, and other hydrocarbon substances on or under the land, air rights, water, and water rights (if any). Seller shall not solicite or accept any other offers during the term of this Agreement.
- B. To the best of Seller's knowledge the property is not in violation of any federal, state, or local law, ordinance or regulation relating to industrial hygiene or to the environmental conditions on under or about the property including, but not limited to, soil and groundwater condition.
- C. All covenants, representations and warrants made by Seller and Buyer to and for the benefit of each other, except and only those related to close of escrow shall survive the close of escrow under this Agreement.
- D. Purchaser has and will inspect the Property and be thoroughly acquainted with its condition. Except as expressly stated herein, Purchaser agrees to purchase the Promises "AS-IS, WHERE IS, IN CURRENT CONDITION WITH ALL FAULTS".

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E.	Buyer shall have a due diligence period of thirty (30) days from date of acceptance of this agreement by both Buyer and Seller, within which to at Buyer's expense, do any and all inspections and reports Buyer deems necessary such as but not limited to: availability and suitability of utilities, geological reports, well reports, zoning, flood zones, master plans, fees and costs of offsite and onsite improvements, building requirements, conditions and requirements affecting the development of said property for Buyer' intended use, inspect the site inclusive of surveys and soil tests, analyze information pertaining to roadways. Buyer shall indemnify seller for all such work performed. If upon examination and investigation of the matters above, Buyer determines that the property is unsuitable for Buyer's proposed use and/or future use of the property, Buyer may at any time within the due diligence period elect to terminate this agreement by giving Seller written notice of intention to do so, and receive full refund of unused deposits not already dispersed, and the escrow company shall release said deposit without any further approval or instruction from Seller. Seller shall furnish to Buyer copies of all tests, investigations, surveys, studies, and other reports it has or has access to in reference to said lot. Buyer will be responsible for the repair/restoration or any damage to the property that may be caused by subject inspections and/or tests.					
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F.	This offer is conditioned upon Buyer, at Buyer/s Seller's expense, obtaining the following governmental approvals within 270 days of acceptance of this agreement, as may be extended pursuant to Paragraph 1.2 above:  Special Use Permits Parcel Map  Tentative Map  Zone Change & Land Use Designations  XOther: architectural and design review and approval					
G.	The purchase price is based upon \( \subseteq \text{ln/a} \) per acre, \( \subseteq \text{per square foot and } \text{\text{\text{Will not, }} \) will be adjusted in accordance with the area set forth in the survey.					
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Н.	It is agreed to and understood that as part of the purchase price of this property, the Buyer shall deliver to Seller one of the penthouses in the new condominium project, subject to the following terms and conditions. Buyer shall provide Seller with detailed floor plans of each penthouse, and the listing price for each penthouse, at which time Seller shall have thirty (30) days to choice the penthouse to be transferred to Seller. Seller shall receive credit in the amount of Two Million, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ("Penthouse Credit") toward the listing price of the penthouse so chosen more than the is Penthouse Credit, Seller shall pay the difference in cash at the time of the transfer. In the event the penthouse so chosen is less than the Penthouse Credit, Buyer shall reimburse Seller the difference at the time of transfer. Buyer and Seller shall also agree, on or before the close of escrow and as a condition thereof, upon specific language and form of legal documentation of the right to receive such condominium unit, which shall be free of all lieps and encumbrances except taxes paid current, assessments and C,C & R's uniformly applicable to such building and unit.
1.	The Seller warrants that there are no leases or other contractual use agreements on said property.
J.	Seller authorizes Buyer and Seller's agent to place signage on said properties promoting identification of the Buyer, Seller's agent, and/or future use of said property.
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L.	All deposits, upon receipt, shall become immediately non-refundable and fully disbursed.
	EDIATION OF DISPUTES: If a dispute arises out of or relates to this Agreement, or its ach, by initialing in the spaces below,
	( ) Buyer agrees ( n/a ) Buyer does not agree
Mediat	( <u>n/a</u> ) Seller agrees ( <u>n/a</u> ) Seller does not agree try in good faith to settle the dispute by non-binding mediation under the Commercia on Rules of the American Arbitration Association, before resorting to court action or binding ion, unless the dispute is a matter excluded under the ARBITRATION clause, if any, in this art.
	(Both parties must initial "agrees" for meditation to be part of this agreement.)
A binding award	RBITRATION OF DISPUTES:  my dispute or claim in law or equity arising out of this Agreement will be decided by neutra arbitration in accordance with prevailing law and applicable court rules. Judgment upon the rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The parties will eright to discovery.
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The parties agree that the following procedure will govern the making of the award by the arbitrator: (a) a Tentative Award will be made by the arbitrator within 30 days following submission of the matter to the arbitrator; (b) the Tentative Award will explain the factual and legal basis for the arbitrator's decision as to each of the principal controverted issues; (c) the Tentative Award will be in writing unless the parties agree otherwise; provided, however, that if the hearing is concluded within one day, the Tentative Award may be made orally at the hearing in the presence of the parties. Within 15 days after the Tentative Award has been served or announced, any party may serve objections to the Tentative Award. Upon objections being timely served, the arbitrator may call for additional evidence, oral or written argument, or both. If no objections are filed, the Tentative Award will become final without further action by the parties or arbitrator. Within 30 days after the filing of objections, the arbitrator will either make the Tentative Award final or modify or correct the Tentative Award, which will then become final as modified or corrected.

The following matters are excluded from arbitration: (a) a judicial or non-judicial foreclosure or other action or proceeding to enforce a deed of trust or mortgage; (b) an unlawful detainer action; (c) the filing or enforcement of a mechanic's lien; (d) any matter which is within the jurisdiction of a probate court, or small claims court; or (e) an action for bodily injury or wrongful death. The filing of a judicial action to enable the recording of a notice of pending action, for order of attachment, receivership, injunction, or other provisional remedies, will not constitute a waiver of the right to arbitrate under this provision.

NOTICE: By initialing in the "agree" space below you are agreeing to have any dispute arising out of the matters included in this "Arbitration of Disputes' provision decided by neutral arbitration, and you are giving up any rights you might possess to have the dispute litigated in a court or jury trial. By initialing in the "agree" space below you are giving up your judicial rights to appeal. If you arbitrate under state law. Your agreement to this arbitration provision is voluntary.

We have read and understand the foregoing and agree to submit disputes arising out of the matters included in this "Arbitration of Disputes" provision to neutral arbitration.

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# 42. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:

THE BUYER FAILS TO COMPLETE THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY AS PROVIDED BY THIS AGREEMENT BY REASON OF ANY DEFAULT OF BUYER, SELLER SHALL BE RELEASED FROM HIS OBLIGATION TO SELL THE PROPERTY TO BUYER BUYER AND SELLER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT IT WOULD BE IMPRACTICAL AND/OR EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO FIX OR ESTABLISH THE ACTUAL DAMAGE SUSTAINED BY SELLER AS A RESULT OF SUCH A DEFAULT BY BUYER AND AGREE THAT THE AMOUNT OF DEPOSIT(S), Sometimes of Such a default by Buyer is a reasonable approximation thereof. Accordingly, in the event that the Buyer defaults in the performance of this agreement, the above stated amount shall constitute and be deemed to be the agreed and liquidated damages of Seller and Shall be forfeited by

47. FAX TRANSMISSION: The facsimile transmission of a signed copy hereof or any counter offer/amendment to the other party or their licensee shall constitute delivery of said signed document. Facsimile signature may be accepted as original

any way to the foregoing matters.

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CONSULT YOUR ADVISORS: This document has been prepared for your advisors review and for your approval. Broker makes no representation or recommendation as to the legal sufficiency or tax consequences of this document or the transaction to which it relates. These are questions for your attorney and financial advisor. In any real estate transaction, it is recommended that you consult with a professional, such as a civil engineer, industrial hygienist, or other person with experience in evaluating the condition of said Property. The parties are advised to consult with appropriate professionals concerning land use regulation, boundaries and setbacks, square footage, physical condition, legal, tax and other consequences of the transaction.

AGENCY RELATIONSHIP CONNFIRMATION. The following is the agency relationship for the Buya.

SELLING OFFICE: NONE. REPRESENTED BY\_NONE\_

Is the ligensee acting for (check one): N/A

The State of Nevada form titled, "DUTIES OWED BY A NEVADA LICENSEE" is hereby incorporated as an addendum to this agreement.

The undersigned Buyer has read this agreement and all addendion/attachments/exhibits and hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy hereof. Buyers signature hereon constitutes an offer to Seller to purchase the Property on the terms and conditions set forth herein. Buyer acknowledges further that he has not relied upon statements or representations by the undersigned Agent which are not herein expressed. Buyers Broker NONE Dated: By\_None

Authorized Signee,

# ACCEPTANCE

Seller accepts the foregoing offer and agrees to sell the herein described property for the price and on the terms and conditions herein specified.

COMMISSION:

Soller agrees to pay in cash the following real estate commission for services rendered, which commission Seller hereby irrevocably assigns from escrow:

Listing Broker's commission shall be \_6\_% of the accepted purchase price, and

n/a to of the accepted price, or \$ n/a, to n/a, the Selling Broker, irrespective of the agency relationship. Escrow instruction with respect to commissions may not be amended or revoked without the written consent of the Broker herein. Commissions shall

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also be payable upon any default by Seller, or the mutual rescission (not covered by this agreement) by Buyer and Seller which prevents the completion of the Sale. If earnest money or similar deposits made by Buyer are forfeited, in addition to any other rights of Broker, Broker shall be entitled to the commission stated thereof. Sale proceeds sufficient to pay the commission are hereby assigned Broker, and Escrow Holder is hereby instructed to pay said commission to Broker out of Seller's proceeds at the Close of Escrow. If this sale shall not be consummated due to the default of Seller, the Seller shall be liable to and shall pay to Broker the commission that Broker would have received had the sale been consummated. Buyer shall have no responsibility or liability to Broker or for any commission on broker or any agent of broker.

F.I.R.P.T.A. (TAX WITHHOLDING) (Foreign Investment and Real Property Tax Act).

Unless the property is acquired for use as a primary residence and is sold for no more than \$300,000, Seller agrees to provide Buyer with (a) NON-FOREIGN SELLER AFFIDAVIT (PAA Form 101-V), OR (b) WITHHOLDING CERTIFICATE FORM from the Internal Revenue Service stating that withholding is not required. In the event none of the forgoing is applicable. Buyer must withhold 10% of the Gross Sales Price under the FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND REAL PROPERTY TAX ACT (IRC SECTION 1445).

A real estate broker is not qualified to give advice on withholding requirements, Buyer should inquire of the taking authorities as to his responsibility. By signing below the Seller is warranting that he/she/they is not a foreign person, foreign corporation or partnership, or nonresidential alien.

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	SELLING OFFICE: Motzker Johnson Group.	
	REPRESENTED BY Richard K Johnson	
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Seller acknowledges that be/she has thoroughly read the provisions of this agreement and agrees to sell the herein described property for the price and on the terms and conditions specified. In the event that Seller is in disagreement with any item or part of this Agreement, Seller should make a counter offer to clarify or change.

Seller acknowledges receipt of a copy of this agreement. Authorization is hereby given the Broker(s) in this transaction to deliver a signed copy hereof to Buyer and to disclose the terms of sale to members of a Multiple Listing Service or Board of REALTORS at closing.

Sellers	Broker _	Metzker Johnson Group	Dated:
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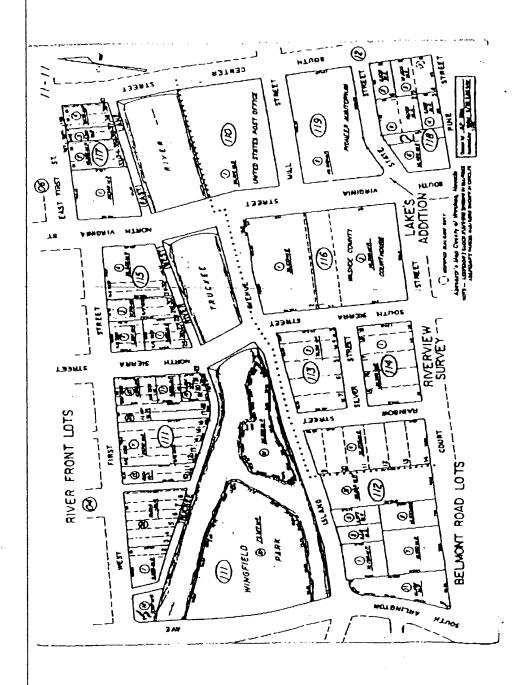
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# LAND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Date Propertd: July 29, 1009

Property Address APN: 011-112-04, 011-112-07, 011-112-13, 011-112-03

RECEIVED from CONSOLIDATED PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT INC. & Norda Corperation and no 100 Dollar) evidenced by Code Code Code Code The PURCHASE FRICE of \$7,500,000 (Seven Million Tive Handred Thousand and and Int Dollars) An that cortain land, improvements, and personal property, if any, (herchafter collectively referred to as the "Property") situated in the City of Rices (Courty of Weshoot State of Newyda and more personalisty described as follows: (the "Property") 210 Court Street (APN 171-1712) John Jr. and Soming Phage Treet State) 0 Court Street (APN 171-1712) John Jr. and Soming Phage Treet Court Street (APN 171-1712) John Jr. and Soming Phage Treet (cilly), and 27) Court Street (APN 011-112-06 John Macra (viller) (APN 011-112-01 John Jr. and Same Heavy Treet Celler) accounting of approximately 59.414 square flot of land, weath rights defined in Paragraph 39(P) below upon the following TERMS and CONDITIONS:

### 1. FINANCE TERMS:

1.1 DEPOSIT:

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\$ 25,000,00

To be depoched within Three [7] working days of acceptance with Entroy Holder. The british deposit Shall be hald by Merchear Jahrana Greate. subject to applicable statement and regulations

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- 1. SUBORDINATION AND PARTIAL RECONVEYANCE:
  - 2.1 SUBORDENATION CLAUSE: NA

### 22 FARTIAL RECONVEYANCE:

Saller does not agree to partial reconveyence. Buyer does broad to rebdivide the property and improve the property in stages over a period of time after close of excrew.

### DEFINITIONS

(Union stated otherwise in this document)

BROKER OR AGENT includes cooperating broken, broken, all sales persons and agents. DAYS means advantar days unless exhibition specified. If the (a) stated Closing data or (b) has day for the personnance of an act falls upon a day during which normal business is not performed then the

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3. ADDENDUM:

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Closing data or such last day, as the case may be, will be the next following regular beamens day.

DATE OF ACCEPTANCE, (EFFECTIVE DATE) means the date the Seller accepts the offer or counter office is accepted by both parties. DELIVERED messas personally delivered to Principals or respective Hearson, transmitted by the factivals machine, or mailed by registered carrier, meet haviness day delivery with receipt requested. In the event of fax transmission, delivery shall be desented to be complete at the time noted on the sender's flox confurmation shoot. DATE OF CLOSING means the thate wile is transferred. The SINGULAR incheste the plural and the MASCITLINE includes the Peninice. TERMINATING THE AGREEMENT means that both parties are relieved of those obligations and all deposits will be returned to the Buyer less empeared incurred by or on account of the Buyer to the three of tecontaction. PROPERTY, unless the context indicates otherwise, meme all executions and rights appurement thereto and all improvements thereon, including all healthing thereon and any rights appearance thereto, all other improvements, all pursonal property owned by Saller and used to the operation or maintenance and moragement of the real property, and all contract or lease rights, agreements, water rights, mineral rights, willing enouracts or other rights relating to the AMOUTSHIP, NOW and operation of the real property. DATE PREPARED is fire refusence only.

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Soil Tests, within 30 days of acceptance, paid by Buyer Scher.

Upon acceptance of this represented Buyer shall have the right, if he obscious, to go apon the property to conduct and tests, including percolation tests, to providen whether the property is suitable for

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the improvements which Duyer proposes to make. All exporter of such test shall be borne by the person indicated above, and Duyer shall be responsible for the expant and restocation of any derrage to the property which may be exacted by such tests. If in the reasonable critisis of the soil continue, employed by Buyer, the property is not suitable for the proposed development, this agreement at the option of the Buyer, way be terminated and all deposits thall be refusaled. Duyer shall be decented to have waited this condition unless terminal motion to the constrary is detiremed to Schor or his agent within the sumber of days of acceptance

Note: Scilics shall provide to Duyer within <u>Prov(5) days</u> of acceptomes copies of any occiding soils reports/tests available to the Scilics (IP ANY).

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If not completed by close of exerow, funds shall be held in exercit, if not disallowed by Lender, and disbursed by secrow holder upon receipt of a symmetriby a licensed structure post emoted operator, certifying that the property is free of evidence of active infertation or inferiors.

As soon as the name are available, copies of the report, and any certification or other proof of completion of the work shall be delivered to the Agust of Dayor and Soller who are authorized to receive the average of their proofpoles.

Buyer acknowledges that he has not rolled upon any representations by the Agent with respect to the condition of the Property.

#### 9. CHANGES DURING TRANSACTION:

Durling the prendency of this transaction, Seller agrees that no changes in the existing leasts or readal agreements shall be made, nor new leaves or readal agreements salered byth, nor shall any rebetureful alterations or repairs be made or undertaken without the written oversest of the Buyer

#### 10. PRORATIONS:

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10.1 TAXOTA: Real property taxes payable by the owner of the Property shall be provided through Receive in of the date of the recordarion of the deed, based upon the latest tax bill available. Buyer shall pay supplemental tax bill levied by the transfer of the Property to the Buyer Payment shall be made promptly in each upon receipt of a copy of any such supplemental bill of the amount recommany to accomplish such pro-ration. Solum shall pay and discharge in full, at or before the Cloning, the suppend behaves of any special experiment bonds.

10.2 INRURANCE; if Duyer closes to take an acciprosers of the evisiting cannot said or liability insurance that it minimized by Seiller, the oursest pressions therefore shall be provated through Entrow as of the date of Closing

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10.3 RENTALS, INTEREST AND EXPENSES: Perpenses, such as, but not limited to, utilities, and operating experiors shall be promited as of the date of Closing. Such items shall be sumplied by Setter within 2 now (2) dates or 1 NVA (NVA) days prior to close of excrew. The Parties agree to promptly adjust between themselves outside of Pasmow any tents received after the Closing.

10.4 SF.CURITY DEPOSIT AND LEASE CREDITS: Security Deposits held by Softer and considerations involving lease credits shall be given to Buyer by a credit to the cash required of Buyer at the Chosing. Such items shall be supplied by Softer within \$\infty\$ true (1) days or \$\infty\$ NA (IVA.) days prior to close of exercise.

116.6 POST CLOSING MATTERS: Any issue to be promised that in and determined or determinable at the Orning thall be adjusted by the parties as soon as possible following close of exercise.

#### 11 ENCUMBRANCES

In addition to any economicrances reterred to berein, Buyer shall who indo to the property subject to: (1) Real Estate Taxes act yet due and (2) Covernata, Conditions, Restrictions, Rights of Way, and Essentiesh of moord, if any, which do not materially affect the value or bearded use of the property. Such cacumitrances shall be deemed approved unless written action to the contrary it delivered to Sellier or his agent within THIRTY (20) days of acceptance.

#### 13. NOTICES:

By acceptance hereof Sellor warrants that he has no notice of violations or of any claims rotating to the property from City, County, State, or Federal agencies, or any other persons or person.

Pursuant to Nevada revised statutes, the Dayw(z) of real property, for at tander, development is benefit informed that made property may be subject to impact first which bown because will be imposed by governmental agencies.

### 14 DEPAULT:

In the most that Buyer shall default in the performance of this agreement. Foller may cuttient to any rights of the Broker herein, retain Duyer's deposit on anomals of characters assistanted all as more fully provided in pacagraph 42 below, and Buyer shall have the right to take such action as he decreas appropriate to recover such purious of the deposit as may be allowed by law.

### 15. PHYSICAL POSSESSION:

Physical possession shall be delivered to Buyer upon recordation of the deed

#### 14. TIMUL:

Turns is of the ersence as to such and every provision of this agreement. If after a good faith officer, any condition many is this continue, her not been elemented or settinged within the time livete and pursuant to the provisions of this represent, then this southeast may be decired reall and wold, the depress shall be rehanded to Purchaser, and the section shall be canceled. Either party may report to such remodes as it may have in law or equity, subject to the liquidated damages provision set forth in Paragraph 42 below.

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