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ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

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#### Plaintiffs,

Vs.

DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC., an Arizona Corporation, and DOES 1-500,

#### Defendants.

## ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

This matter, concerning Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015, came on for hearing on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2015 at the hour of 10:30 a.m. before Department XXII of the Eighth Judicial District Court, in and for Clark County, Nevada, with JUDGE SUSAN H. JOHNSON presiding; Plaintiffs SCOTT PHILLIPS, TEODORO H. and

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MARIA MOORE, by and through their attorney, DUANE E. SHINNICK, ESQ. of the law firm, SHINNICK RYAN & RANSAVAGE; and Defendant DELWEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. appeared by and through its attorney, RICHARD D. YOUNG, ESQ. of the law firm, KOELLER NEBEKER CARLSON & HALUCK. Having reviewed the papers and pleadings on file herein, heard oral arguments of the lawyers, and taken this matter under advisement, this Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

- 1. This case arises as a result of alleged constructional defects suffered by 62 homeowners/homeowner groups living in single family homes within Del Webb's Anthem Highlands residential development. Many of the Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups filed the initial Complaint against Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. on February 27, 2015, alleging claims of (1) breach of contract and express warranties, (2) breach of implied warranties, (3) negligence and negligence *per se* and (4) breach of implied warranty of habitability, and all brought pursuant to NRS 40.600, *et seq.* The Complaint was subsequently amended on March 6, 2015 to include the constructional defect claims of additional homeowners/homeowner groups.
- 2. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the claims of six (6) Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups identified and upon the bases listed below:
- a. Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER, ROBERT DYKEMA and TAKESHI NAKAYA as their claims are time-barred by the applicable Statute of Repose. According to Defendant, these particular plaintiffs first asserted claims of constructional defects more than ten (10) years after the date of substantial completion.

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Ъ.	Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA lack standing to pursue their
constructional	defect claims as they sold their respective properties prior to the filing of the
Complaint.	

- Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE failed to comply with the prec. litigation requirements of NRS 40.600, and thus, until they do abide by all such requisites, they cannot file their lawsuit, whereby their claims should be dismissed.
- 3. In response, Plaintiffs do not oppose the dismissal of claims lodged by DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA as these particular homeowners no longer desire to pursue their claims. However, with respect to claims brought by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA, these homeowners disagree their action is timebarred by the Statute of Repose. They propose they served their NRS 40.645 notice to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. within the ten-year time frame, and such notice tolled the Statute of Repose. Their claims, therefore, should not be dismissed. Further, STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE did comply with the requirements of NRS 40.600, et seq., whereby their constructional defects action should not be dismissed.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Rule 12(b) of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP) provides every defense, in law or fact, to a claim for relief shall be asserted in the responsive pleading thereto if one is required, except that certain defenses, including plaintiff's failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, may be made by motion. If matters outside the pleading are presented to and are not excluded by the court, the motion to dismiss shall be treated as one for summary judgment and disposed of as provided in NRCP 56. In that case, all parties shall be given reasonable opportunity to present all material made pertinent to such a motion by NRCP 56. See NRCP 12(b). Here, both

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See NRCP 12(b)(5).

Plaintiffs and Defendant produced exhibits for consideration and they were not excluded by the Court. The standard by which this Court decides Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss is that set forth by NRCP 56.

- 2. Summary judgment is appropriate and "shall be rendered forthwith" when the pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate no "genuine issue as to any material fact [remains] and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law." See NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731. A factual dispute is genuine when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the non-moving party. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731.
- 3. While the pleadings and other proof must be construed in a light most favorable to the non-moving party, that party bears the burden "to do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt" as to the operative facts in order to avoid summary judgment bent entered in the moving party's favor. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. v. Zenith Radio, 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "must, by affidavit or otherwise, set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against him." Bulbman Inc. v. Nevada Bell, 108 Nev. 105, 110, 825 P.2d 588, 591 (1992), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "is not entitled to build a case on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation, and conjecture." Bulbman, 108 Nev. at 110, 825 P.2d 591, quoting Collins v. Union Fed. Savings & Loan, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983).

# Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA

3. Here, Plaintiffs do not oppose Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S motion as it seeks dismissal of claims lodged by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA. As there is no opposition, this Court grants Defendant's motion as it pertains to the

constructional defects claims of Plaintiffs ONG and NAKAYA. Also see EDCR 2.20(e).

### Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA

- 4. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the constructional defect claims lodged by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA upon the basis they are barred by the ten-year Statute of Repose.<sup>2</sup>
- 5. Prior to February 25, 2015,<sup>3</sup> NRS 11.203(1) provided an action based upon a known deficiency may not be brought "more than 10 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement...." NRS 11.2055 defines the "date of substantial completion;" it states in salient part:
  - 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, for the purposes of NRS 11.202 to 11.206, inclusive, the date of substantial completion of an improvement to real property shall be deemed to be the date on which:
    - (a) The final building inspection of the improvement is conducted:
    - (b) A notice of completion is issued for the improvement; or
  - (c) A certificate of occupancy is issued for the improvement, whichever occurs later. (Emphasis added)
- 6. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, if the injury occurs in the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year after substantial completion of such an improvement, an action for damages for injury to property or person may be commenced within two (2) years after the date of such injury. See NRS 11.203(2).<sup>5</sup>
  - 7. In this case, a "Certificate of Occupancy" for the home located at 2798 Lochleven

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Defendant does not concede the appropriate Statute of Repose period is ten (10) years, or that set forth in NRS 11.203. Its position is, irrespective of the Statute of Repose imposed, whether it be six (6), eight (8) or ten (10), the claims of Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are time-barred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>With the enactment of Assembly Bill (AB) 125 in late February 2015, the Statute of Repose is now six (6) years from date of the residence's substantial completion. For purposes of the instant motion, however, this Court applies the pre-AB 125 Statute of Repose periods, which include the ten (10) year Statute of Repose set forth by NRS 11.203.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>NRS 11.204(1) provided an action based on a latent deficiency may not be commenced "more than 8 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement" and NRS 11.205(1) set forth an action based upon a patent defect may not be commenced 'more than 6 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement..."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year is defined as starting as the beginning of the nine-year anniversary and ending on the tenth anniversary. An action for injury occurring between the start of Year 9 and ending the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary may be commenced within two (2) years thereafter.

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Way, Henderson, Nevada and owned by Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST was issued by the City of Henderson on November 23, 2004.6 A "Notice of Completion" was issued by Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. approximately a month later, on December 30, 2004. As NRS 11.2055(1) specifically provides the date of substantial completion is the latter of three events, i.e. final building inspection being conducted, the issuance of the certificate of occupancy, or when the notice of completion is issued, this Court concludes the date the SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST home was substantially completed is December 30, 2004.

Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its NRS 40.645 notice on December 30, 2014.8 While it is Plaintiff's view such notice served on the last day is timely, Defendant disagrees. Defendant proposes the last day to serve a notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 was December 29, 2014. This Court found no authority within the Nevada Revised Statutes, and particularly within NRS 40.600, et seq., to support either party's position. However, the timeliness of a document's filing is addressed within the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP), and particularly, in Rule 6. It provides in pertinent part:

Computation. In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by these rules, by the local rules of any district court, by order of court, or by any applicable statute, the day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day or, when the act to be done is the filing of a paper in court, a day on which whether or other conditions have made the office of the clerk of the district court inaccessible, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not one of the aforementioned days. (Emphasis added)

Here, the day of the act, i.e. the issuance of the Notice of Completion, is not included within the computation when the designated time begins to run. See NRCP 6(a). The designated time to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>See Exhibit A attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>See Exhibit 2 to Plaintiffs' Limited Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss filed June 5, 2015. No evidence was presented when the final building inspection was conducted; presumably, the inspection was conducted prior to the City of Henderson issuing the "Certificate of Occupancy."

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run begins December 31, 2004. Accordingly, assuming the appropriate period for the Statute of Repose is ten (10) years, 9 Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its notice of constructional defects timely when such was sent on the last day, December 30, 2014. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, as it pertains to the claims of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, is denied.

As it has concluded SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST timely served its NRS 40.645 notice, and thus, this Plaintiff's claims do not warrant dismissal, this Court declines to consider whether the action is "saved" by application of NRS 11.203's "savings clause."

The issuance of the "Certificate of Occupancy" for the residence owned by Plaintiff 8. RONALD TURNER, 2844 Blythswood Square, Henderson, Nevada, was December 6, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued eight (8) days later, December 14, 2004. This Court concludes Plaintiff TURNER'S home was substantially completed on the latter date, December 14, 2004. See NRS 11.2055. Plaintiff TURNER served his NRS 40.645 notice of constructional defects on December 22, 2014. Unfortunately, such service falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and, as a consequence, Plaintiff RONALD TURNER'S constructional defect claims must be dismissed as being time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

Plaintiff TURNER proposes his claims are not time-barred as the "Notice of Completion" was not recorded until December 23, 2004. While this Court appreciates his stance, NRS 11.2055 does not identify the recording of the completion's notice at the local or county recorder's office as a defining date for substantial completion. As noted above, NRS 11.2055 specifically provides the improvement to real property is substantially completed upon the occurrence of the latter of three

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Again, for purposes of this motion, this Court appreciates Defendant addresses the ten-year Statute of Repose. but has not conceded it is the appropriate time frame.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>See Exhibit B attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC, 'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>See Exhibit 3 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

SUSAN H. JOHNSON DISTRICT JUDGE DEPARTMENT XXII events: (1) the final building inspection, (2) the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, or (3) the issuance of the Notice of Completion, whichever is later. This Court declines Plaintiff's invitation for it to interpret or expand the statute to include another and different definition for "substantially completed."

9. The "Certificate of Occupancy" was issued for Plaintiff ROBERT DYKEMA'S house, 2818 Craigton Drive, Henderson, Nevada on November 2, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued on November 30, 2004. The NRS 40.645 Notice served by Plaintiff DYKEMA upon Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. is dated December 2, 2014. The service of the constructional defects notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and as a consequence, Plaintiff DYKEMA'S constructional defect claims are time-barred and must be dismissed.

As it notes concerning MR. TURNER'S claims, the recording of the Notice of Completion, which, in Plaintiff DYKEMA'S case, was December 8, 2004, is not a defining event. Again, this Court declines to consider the recording date as another date of substantial completion, or when the Statute of Repose period begins.

# Claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE

10. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. proposes the constructional defect claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE should be dismissed given their failure to abide by NRS Chapter 40's pre-litigation requirements. This Court understands these Plaintiffs served their initial NRS 40.645 Notice on February 26, 2015, utilizing the statute's pre-AB 125 requirements. Assembly Bill (AB) 125 requirements went into effect February 25, 2015. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE supplemented or amended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>See Exhibit C attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>See Exhibit 4 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss. <sup>14</sup>See Exhibit G attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

their NRS 40.645 on May 27, 2015 to comply with the AB 125 newly-enacted requirements. 15

- 11. Although these Plaintiffs may have complied with the new requirements of NRS 40.645, there is no indication within their Opposition to suggest they complied with the other requisites of NRS Chapter 40. In this Court's view, Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE must comply with all the pre-litigation requirements of NRS 40.600, et seq. before they can institute litigation. For this reason, this Court grants Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss as it pertains to the constructional defect claims of STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE without prejudice.
- being forever time-barred in bringing their constructional defect claims, and, for that reason, this Court should stay the action to allow the completion of the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process. See NRS 40.647. This Court disagrees with Plaintiffs' assessment. As the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process has not concluded, it continues and any pertinent limiting statute is tolled. See NRS 40.695. Plaintiffs must conclude the pre-litigation process, and should their constructional defects not be repaired or resolved, they can either file a new complaint or move this Court to include their claims along with those of their neighbors.

Accordingly, and based upon the aforementioned Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB
COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015 is granted in part, denied in part;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the claims brought by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA is dismissed, as unopposed;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>See Exhibit I attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, and Exhibit 6 to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE are dismissed, without prejudice, for failing to abide by and complete the pre-litigation process set forth by NRS 40.600, et seq., prior to the filing of their First Amended Complaint; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, seeking dismissal of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST'S constructional defect claims are denied as, in this Court's view, the NRS 40.645 notice was timely served upon this Defendant, whereby this Plaintiff's claims are not time-barred. *See* NRS 11.203.

DATED and DONE this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015.

SUSAN H. JOHNSON, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015, I electronically served (E-served), placed within the attorneys' folders located on the first floor of the Regional Justice Center or mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS to the following counsel of record, and first-class postage was fully prepaid thereon:

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DISTRICT COURT

ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S **MOTION TO DISMISS** 

DISTRICT JUDGE
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# ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

This matter, concerning Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015, came on for hearing on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2015 at the hour of 10:30 a.m. before Department XXII of the Eighth Judicial District Court, in and for Clark County, Nevada, with JUDGE SUSAN H. JOHNSON presiding; Plaintiffs SCOTT PHILLIPS, TEODORO H. and

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MARIA MOORE, by and through their attorney, DUANE E. SHINNICK, ESQ. of the law firm, SHINNICK RYAN & RANSAVAGE; and Defendant DELWEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. appeared by and through its attorney, RICHARD D. YOUNG, ESQ. of the law firm, KOELLER NEBEKER CARLSON & HALUCK. Having reviewed the papers and pleadings on file herein, heard oral arguments of the lawyers, and taken this matter under advisement, this Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

- This case arises as a result of alleged constructional defects suffered by 62 1. homeowners/homeowner groups living in single family homes within Del Webb's Anthem Highlands residential development. Many of the Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups filed the initial Complaint against Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. on February 27, 2015, alleging claims of (1) breach of contract and express warranties, (2) breach of implied warranties, (3) negligence and negligence per se and (4) breach of implied warranty of habitability, and all brought pursuant to NRS 40.600, et seq. The Complaint was subsequently amended on March 6, 2015 to include the constructional defect claims of additional homeowners/homeowner groups.
- Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the 2. claims of six (6) Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups identified and upon the bases listed below:
- Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER, ROBERT a. DYKEMA and TAKESHI NAKAYA as their claims are time-barred by the applicable Statute of Repose. According to Defendant, these particular plaintiffs first asserted claims of constructional defects more than ten (10) years after the date of substantial completion.

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- e. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE failed to comply with the prelitigation requirements of NRS 40.600, and thus, until they do abide by all such requisites, they cannot file their lawsuit, whereby their claims should be dismissed.
- 3. In response, Plaintiffs do not oppose the dismissal of claims lodged by DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA as these particular homeowners no longer desire to pursue their claims. However, with respect to claims brought by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA, these homeowners disagree their action is time-barred by the Statute of Repose. They propose they served their NRS 40.645 notice to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. within the ten-year time frame, and such notice tolled the Statute of Repose. Their claims, therefore, should not be dismissed. Further, STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE did comply with the requirements of NRS 40.600, *et seq.*, whereby their constructional defects action should not be dismissed.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Rule 12(b) of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP) provides every defense, in law or fact, to a claim for relief shall be asserted in the responsive pleading thereto if one is required, except that certain defenses, including plaintiff's failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, may be made by motion. If matters outside the pleading are presented to and are not excluded by the court, the motion to dismiss shall be treated as one for summary judgment and disposed of as provided in NRCP 56. In that case, all parties shall be given reasonable opportunity to present all material made pertinent to such a motion by NRCP 56. See NRCP 12(b). Here, both

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See NRCP 12(b)(5).

Plaintiffs and Defendant produced exhibits for consideration and they were not excluded by the Court. The standard by which this Court decides Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss is that set forth by NRCP 56.

- 2. Summary judgment is appropriate and "shall be rendered forthwith" when the pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate no "genuine issue as to any material fact [remains] and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law." See NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731. A factual dispute is genuine when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the non-moving party. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731.
- 3. While the pleadings and other proof must be construed in a light most favorable to the non-moving party, that party bears the burden "to do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt" as to the operative facts in order to avoid summary judgment bent entered in the moving party's favor. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. v. Zenith Radio, 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "must, by affidavit or otherwise, set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against him." Bulbman Inc. v. Nevada Bell, 108 Nev. 105, 110, 825 P.2d 588, 591 (1992), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "is not entitled to build a case on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation, and conjecture." Bulbman, 108 Nev. at 110, 825 P.2d 591, quoting Collins v. Union Fed. Savings & Loan, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983).

### Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA

3. Here, Plaintiffs do not oppose Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S motion as it seeks dismissal of claims lodged by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA. As there is no opposition, this Court grants Defendant's motion as it pertains to the

constructional defects claims of Plaintiffs ONG and NAKAYA. Also see EDCR 2.20(e).

### Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA

- 4. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the constructional defect claims lodged by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA upon the basis they are barred by the ten-year Statute of Repose.<sup>2</sup>
- 5. Prior to February 25, 2015,<sup>3</sup> NRS 11.203(1) provided an action based upon a known deficiency may not be brought "more than 10 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement...."

  NRS 11.2055 defines the "date of substantial completion;" it states in salient part:
  - 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, for the purposes of NRS 11.202 to 11.206, inclusive, the date of substantial completion of an improvement to real property shall be deemed to be the date on which:
    - (a) The final building inspection of the improvement is conducted;
    - (b) A notice of completion is issued for the improvement; or
  - (c) A certificate of occupancy is issued for the improvement, whichever occurs later. (Emphasis added)
- 6. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, if the injury occurs in the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year after substantial completion of such an improvement, an action for damages for injury to property or person may be commenced within two (2) years after the date of such injury. See NRS 11.203(2).<sup>5</sup>
  - 7. In this case, a "Certificate of Occupancy" for the home located at 2798 Lochleven

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Defendant does not concede the appropriate Statute of Repose period is ten (10) years, or that set forth in NRS 11.203. Its position is, irrespective of the Statute of Repose imposed, whether it be six (6), eight (8) or ten (10), the claims of Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are time-barred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>With the enactment of Assembly Bill (AB) 125 in late February 2015, the Statute of Repose is now six (6) years from date of the residence's substantial completion. For purposes of the instant motion, however, this Court applies the pre-AB 125 Statute of Repose periods, which include the ten (10) year Statute of Repose set forth by NRS 11.203.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>NRS 11.204(1) provided an action based on a latent deficiency may not be commenced "more than 8 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement" and NRS 11.205(1) set forth an action based upon a patent defect may not be commenced 'more than 6 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement..."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year is defined as starting as the beginning of the nine-year anniversary and ending on the tenth anniversary. An action for injury occurring between the start of Year 9 and ending the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary may be commenced within two (2) years thereafter.

Way, Henderson, Nevada and owned by Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST was issued by the City of Henderson on November 23, 2004.<sup>6</sup> A "Notice of Completion" was issued by Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. approximately a month later, on December 30, 2004.<sup>7</sup> As NRS 11.2055(1) specifically provides the date of substantial completion is the latter of three events, i.e. final building inspection being conducted, the issuance of the certificate of occupancy, or when the notice of completion is issued, this Court concludes the date the SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST home was substantially completed is December 30, 2004.

Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its NRS 40.645 notice on December 30, 2014. While it is Plaintiff's view such notice served on the last day is timely, Defendant disagrees. Defendant proposes the last day to serve a notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 was December 29, 2014. This Court found no authority within the Nevada Revised Statutes, and particularly within NRS 40.600, et seq., to support either party's position. However, the timeliness of a document's filing is addressed within the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP), and particularly, in Rule 6. It provides in pertinent part:

(a) Computation. In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by these rules, by the local rules of any district court, by order of court, or by any applicable statute, the day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day or, when the act to be done is the filing of a paper in court, a day on which whether or other conditions have made the office of the clerk of the district court inaccessible, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not one of the aforementioned days. (Emphasis added)

Here, the day of the act, i.e. the issuance of the Notice of Completion, is not included within the computation when the designated time begins to run. See NRCP 6(a). The designated time to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>See Exhibit A attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>See Exhibit 2 to Plaintiffs' Limited Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss filed June 5, 2015. No evidence was presented when the final building inspection was conducted; presumably, the inspection was conducted prior to the City of Henderson issuing the "Certificate of Occupancy."

<sup>\*</sup>See Exhibit E attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

run begins December 31, 2004. Accordingly, assuming the appropriate period for the Statute of Repose is ten (10) years, Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its notice of constructional defects timely when such was sent on the last day, December 30, 2014. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, as it pertains to the claims of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, is denied.

As it has concluded SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST timely served its NRS 40.645 notice, and thus, this Plaintiff's claims do not warrant dismissal, this Court declines to consider whether the action is "saved" by application of NRS 11.203's "savings clause."

8. The issuance of the "Certificate of Occupancy" for the residence owned by Plaintiff RONALD TURNER, 2844 Blythswood Square, Henderson, Nevada, was December 6, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued eight (8) days later, December 14, 2004. This Court concludes Plaintiff TURNER'S home was substantially completed on the latter date, December 14, 2004. See NRS 11.2055. Plaintiff TURNER served his NRS 40.645 notice of constructional defects on December 22, 2014. Unfortunately, such service falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and, as a consequence, Plaintiff RONALD TURNER'S constructional defect claims must be dismissed as being time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

Plaintiff TURNER proposes his claims are not time-barred as the "Notice of Completion" was not recorded until December 23, 2004. While this Court appreciates his stance, NRS 11.2055 does not identify the recording of the completion's notice at the local or county recorder's office as a defining date for substantial completion. As noted above, NRS 11.2055 specifically provides the improvement to real property is substantially completed upon the occurrence of the latter of three

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Again, for purposes of this motion, this Court appreciates Defendant addresses the ten-year Statute of Repose, but has not conceded it is the appropriate time frame.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>See Exhibit B attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>See Exhibit 3 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

SUSAN H JOHNSON DISTRICT JUDGE DEPARTMENT XXII events: (1) the final building inspection, (2) the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, or (3) the issuance of the Notice of Completion, whichever is later. This Court declines Plaintiff's invitation for it to interpret or expand the statute to include another and different definition for "substantially completed."

9. The "Certificate of Occupancy" was issued for Plaintiff ROBERT DYKEMA'S house, 2818 Craigton Drive, Henderson, Nevada on November 2, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued on November 30, 2004. The NRS 40.645 Notice served by Plaintiff DYKEMA upon Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. is dated December 2, 2014. The service of the constructional defects notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and as a consequence, Plaintiff DYKEMA'S constructional defect claims are time-barred and must be dismissed.

As it notes concerning MR. TURNER'S claims, the recording of the Notice of Completion, which, in Plaintiff DYKEMA'S case, was December 8, 2004, is not a defining event. Again, this Court declines to consider the recording date as another date of substantial completion, or when the Statute of Repose period begins.

## Claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE

10. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. proposes the constructional defect claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE should be dismissed given their failure to abide by NRS Chapter 40's pre-litigation requirements. This Court understands these Plaintiffs served their initial NRS 40.645 Notice on February 26, 2015, utilizing the statute's pre-AB 125 requirements. Assembly Bill (AB) 125 requirements went into effect February 25, 2015. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE supplemented or amended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>See Exhibit C attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>See Exhibit 4 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>See Exhibit G attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

- 11. Although these Plaintiffs may have complied with the new requirements of NRS 40.645, there is no indication within their Opposition to suggest they complied with the other requisites of NRS Chapter 40. In this Court's view, Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE must comply with all the pre-litigation requirements of NRS 40.600, et seq. before they can institute litigation. For this reason, this Court grants Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss as it pertains to the constructional defect claims of STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE without prejudice.
- 12. Notably, these Plaintiffs have set forth dismissal of this action could result in their being forever time-barred in bringing their constructional defect claims, and, for that reason, this Court should stay the action to allow the completion of the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process. See NRS 40.647. This Court disagrees with Plaintiffs' assessment. As the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process has not concluded, it continues and any pertinent limiting statute is tolled. See NRS 40.695. Plaintiffs must conclude the pre-litigation process, and should their constructional defects not be repaired or resolved, they can either file a new complaint or move this Court to include their claims along with those of their neighbors.

Accordingly, and based upon the aforementioned Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB
COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015 is granted in part, denied in part;
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the claims brought by

Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA is dismissed, as unopposed;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>See Exhibit I attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, and Exhibit 6 to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are dismissed as being time-barred pursuant to the ten (10) year Statute of Repose, NRS 11.203;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE are dismissed, without prejudice, for failing to abide by and complete the pre-litigation process set forth by NRS 40.600, et seq., prior to the filing of their First Amended Complaint; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, seeking dismissal of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST'S constructional defect claims are denied as, in this Court's view, the NRS 40.645 notice was timely served upon this Defendant, whereby this Plaintiff's claims are not time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

DATED and DONE this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015.

SUBAN H. JOHNSON, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

SUSAN H. JOHNSON DISTRICT JUDGE DEPARTMENT XXII

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015, I electronically served (E-served), placed within the attorneys' folders located on the first floor of the Regional Justice Center or mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS to the following counsel of record, and first-class postage was fully prepaid thereon:

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24	STEVEN and MARIA MOORE, individually;
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27	Arizona Corporation; and DOES 1 through 500,
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28	Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that Plaintiffs Ronald Turner ("Turner") and Robert M. Dykema ("Dykema") appeal to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the District Court Order entered on November 25, 2015, which granted Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s ("Del Webb") Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs Turner and Dykema. The entry of dismissal for Plaintiffs Turner and Dykema operated as a summary adjudication on the merits as matters outside of the pleadings were presented and considered by the District Judge in granting the dismissals or deciding that Turner's and Dykema's claims were barred by the statute(s) of repose and/or limitations.

DATED this 2nd day of December, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

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# I, JESSICA WHITE, declare:

I am a resident of and employed in Clark County, Nevada. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within action. My business address is 4001 Meadows Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89107.

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- Name of appellant filing this case appeal statement: Plaintiffs/Appellants Robert M. Dykema and Ronald Turner.
- 2. Identify the judge issuing the decision, judgment, or order appealed from: Judge Susan Johnson.
- 3. Identify each appellant and the name and address of counsel for each appellant:

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- 5. Indicate whether any attorney identified above in response to question 3 or 4 is not licensed to practice law in Nevada and, if so, whether the district court granted that attorney permission to appear under SCR 42: No, not applicable.
- 6. Indicate whether appellant was represented by appointed or retained counsel in district court:

  Appellants were represented by retained counsel Shinnick, Ryan & Ransavage, P.C.
- 7. Indicate whether appellant is represented by appointed or retained counsel on appeal: Appellants will be represented by retained counsel Shinnick, Ryan & Ransavage, P.C. on appeal.
- 8. Indicate whether appellant was granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis, and the date of entry of the district court order granting such leave: Not applicable.

- Indicate the date the proceedings commenced in district court: Construction defect complaint
  was filed on February 27, 2015.
- 10. Provide a brief description of the nature of the action and result in the district court, including the type of judgment or order being appealed and the relief granted by the district court: This is a residential construction defect action brought by Plaintiffs against developer Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc. ("Del Webb") Defendant brought a Motion to Dismiss six (6) of the sixty-two (62) sets of Plaintiffs ("Motion") named in the Complaint on May 19, 2015. Plaintiffs did not oppose dismissal of 2 sets of Plaintiffs Dionisio Ong and Takeshi Nakaya. The claims of Salisbury Family Trust were found to be timely, and the claims of Steven and Maria Moore were dismissed without prejudice, in order to complete NRS Chapter 40. However, the claims of Plaintiffs Robert M. Dykema and Ronald Turner are being appealed as the district court found their claims to be time-barred (an adjudication on the merits). The Order was entered on November 25, 2015. Plaintiffs believe this finding that the claims of Plaintiffs Robert M. Dykema and Ronald Turner were time-barred to be in error as the cited statute of repose, NRS 11.203 was repealed effective as of February 25, 2015, and was not applicable to the Motion, and/or the district court did not evaluate the correct date from which the statute of repose was to begin - the recordation date of the notices of completion.
- 11. Indicate whether the case has previously been the subject of an appeal or original writ proceeding in the Supreme Court and, if so, the caption and Supreme Court docket number of the prior proceeding: No, not applicable.
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03/06/2015	First Amended Complaint	

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	Filed By: Plaintiff Bellinfante, Verol R  Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint			
04/28/2015	Demand for Jury Trial  Filed By: Plaintiff Phillips, Scott  Plaintiff's Demand For Jury Trial			
05/05/2015	Affidavit of Service Filed By: Plaintiff Phillips, Scott  Affidavit of Service-Del Webb Communities, Inc.			
05/19/2015	Motion to Dismiss  Filed By: Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.  Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss			
05/20/2015	Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.  Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure			
06/05/2015	Opposition Filed By: Plaintiff Phillips, Scott Plaintiffs' Limited Opposition To Del Webb Communities Inc.'s Motion To Dismiss			
06/17/2015	Reply in Support  Filed By: Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.  Del Webb's Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss			
06/23/2015	Motion to Dismiss (10:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Johnson, Susan)  Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss			
11/16/2015	Decision (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Johnson, Susan)			
11/16/2015	Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order  Order Re: Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss			
11/16/2015	Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice (Judicial Officer: Johnson, Susan) Debtors: Del Webb Communities, Inc. (Defendant) Creditors: Steven Moore (Plaintiff), Maria Moore (Plaintiff) Judgment: 11/16/2015, Docketed: 11/23/2015			
11/16/2015	Order of Dismissal (Judicial Officer: Johnson, Susan) Debtors: Del Webb Communities, Inc. (Defendant) Creditors: Robert M Dykema (Plaintiff), Ronald Turner (Plaintiff) Judgment: 11/16/2015, Docketed: 11/23/2015			
11/25/2015	Notice of Special Master Hearing Filed By: Plaintiff Johnson, Kathleen A Notice of Special Master Hearing			
11/25/2015	Notice of Entry Filed By: Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc. Notice of Entry of Order Re: Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss			
12/02/2015	Case Appeal Statement			

## CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-15-714632-D

Filed By: Plaintiff Phillips, Scott Case Appeal Statement

12/02/2015

Notice of Appeal
Filed By: Plaintiff Phillips, Scott

	Notice Of Appeal	
DATE	FINANCIAL INFORMATION	1
DATE	FINANCIAL INFORMATION	
	<b>Defendant</b> Del Webb Communities, Inc.	472.00
	Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	473.00 473.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
	Plaintiff Bautista, Rosa-Linda R	20.00
	Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	30.00 30.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
	Plaintiff Bautista, Teodoro H Total Charges	30.00
	Total Payments and Credits	30.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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	Plaintiff Bellinfante, Debra A Total Charges	30.00
	Total Payments and Credits	30.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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	Plaintiff Bellinfante, Verol R Total Charges	30.00
	Total Payments and Credits	30.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
	Plaintiff Boulander-Field, Cristen	
	Total Charges	30.00
	Total Payments and Credits	30.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
	Plaintiff Brower Family Trust	
	Total Charges	30.00
	Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 <b>0.00</b>
	Datance Due as 01 12/4/2013	0.00
	Plaintiff Campos, Alfredo	
	Total Charges	30.00
	Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 <b>0.00</b>
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	Plaintiff Campos, Iluminada	
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	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
	Plaintiff Chan, Wynsie Marie	20.00
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	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
	Plaintiff Colucci, Charles Total Charges	30.00
	Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	30.00
	Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00

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Plaintiff Connolly, Gloria Nan	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Connolly, Michael J	
Total Charges	30.00
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Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Cooper, June D	30.00
Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff Dykema, Robert M	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Feldman, Karen	20.00
Total Charges	30.00
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Datance Due as 01 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Field, Kurt	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Foster, Brock	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Foster, Reanna	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Garcia, Hector G	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Garcia, Rosario	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Gaynor, Concetta	<b>2</b> 0.00
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Plaintiff Gaynor, Robert	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Gilles Family Living Trust	30.00
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Plaintiff Gordon, David M	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Harry E Crosby Revocable Trust	•••
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Hearn, Charles	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Hearn, Maria	20.00
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Henderson, James A, Jr.	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff J C F Family Trust	20.00
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Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 <b>0.00</b>
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Plaintiff Johnson, Kathleen A	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Johnson, Lorraine	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Johnson, Thomas C	20.00
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Plaintiff Jones, Jolean	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Vana Chana Ia	
Plaintiff Kang, Chong-Ja Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Kang, Wi Jo	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Kim, Inok	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00

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Plaintiff Kim, Young Kyoon	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Knudson, Aaron	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Laquitara, Mike	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff Laquitara, Talia	30.00
Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff Lauth, Andronickie	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Lauth, James	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Lepore Family Trust	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Leveritt, John Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff Levine, Howard S	
Total Charges	30.00
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Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Levine, Roberta P	
Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Maslin Family Living Trust	20.00
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Plaintiff McDermott, Connie	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff McDermott, William	
Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Meyers, Thomas	
Total Charges	30.00
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Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Monaco, Mark Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Monica-Meyers, Mary C	
Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Moore, Maria	
Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Moore, Steven Total Charges	30.00
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Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Nakaya, Takeshi	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff O'Brien, Bud	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff O'Brien, Rosalie	
Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Ong, Dionisio Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Phillips, Scott	
Total Charges	544.00
Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	544.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Pourziaee Eraj and Sedi Pourziaee Joint Living Trust	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Powell, David L	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Premiere Holdings Residential Division LLC Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	<b>0.00</b>
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Plaintiff Rivera, Joseph	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Rivera, Milagros	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Dagdastan Wasila	
Plaintiff Roedecker, Nicole Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Roedecker, Randall	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Roger A Martin and Virginia C Martin Joint Living Trust	20.00
Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	30.00 30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Salisbury Family Trust	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Samir Farid Moujaes and Sylva Puzantian Moujaes Living Trust	20.00
Total Charges Total Payments and Credits	30.00 30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	<b>0.00</b>
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Plaintiff San Filippo, Colleen T	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Shoop, Cynthia J	20.00
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Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	<b>0.00</b>
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Plaintiff Shoop, William A	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Smith, Bobbie	20.00
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 <b>0.00</b>
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Plaintiff Suchecki, Eugeniusz	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Suchecki, Zofia	20.00
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 <b>0.00</b>
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Plaintiff Tomolo, Allicia	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff Tomolo, Chad	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
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Plaintiff Ton, Gary G	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Turner, Ronald	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Ure, Brent	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Ure, Sara	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Van Slyke, Roy	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Van Slyke, Sharon	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Walley JR, William R	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Walley, Nancy	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
Plaintiff Weaver, Laurel Yvonne	
Total Charges	30.00
Total Payments and Credits	30.00
Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	0.00
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Plaintiff Woo, Sydney	20.00
Total Charges	30.00
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Plaintiff Yost, Kiel	20.00
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Plaintiff Zipkin, Ellen R Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 30.00 <b>0.00</b>
Plaintiff Zipkin, Robert A Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 30.00 <b>0.00</b>
Plaintiff Zipkin, Scott M Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 12/4/2015	30.00 30.00 <b>0.00</b>

### DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

 $\underline{Clark} \ County, \ Nevada \quad A-15-714632-D$ Case No. \_\_\_\_ XXII

(Assigned by Clerk's Office)				
I. Party Information (provide both home and mailing addresses if different)				
Plaintiff(s): Scott Phillips 2527 Findlater Street Henderson, Nevada 89044 Attorney (name/address/phone): Courtney SHINNICK RYAN & RANSAVAGE P.C. 4001 Meadows Lane Las Vegas, NV 89107 (702) 631-8014		Defendant(s): Del Web 8345 W. Sunset Road Las Vegas, Nevada 89 Attorney (name/addres	2113	
II. Nature of Controversy (Please sea	lect the one most ap	plicable filing type belov	w)	
Civil Case Filing Types				
Real Property			Torts	
Landlord/Tenant  Unlawful Detainer Other Landlord/Tenant  Title to Property Judicial Foreclosure Other Title to Property  Other Real Property  Condemnation/Eminent Domain Other Real Property	Negligence Auto Premises Liability Other Malpractice Medical/Dental Legal Accounting Other Malpractice		Other Torts  Product Liability Intentional Misconduct Employment Torts Insurance Tort Other Tort	
Probate	Construction Def	ect & Contract	Judicial Review/Appeal	
Probate (select case type and estate value)  Summary Administration General Administration Special Administration Set Aside Trust/Conservatorship Other Probate Estate Value Over \$200,000 Between \$100,000 and \$200,000 Under \$100,000 or Unknown Under \$2,500	Contract Case Uniform Co	mmercial Code d Construction arrier Instrument of Accounts t Contract	Judicial Review  Foreclosure Mediation Case Petition to Seal Records Mental Competency  Nevada State Agency Appeal Department of Motor Vehicle Worker's Compensation Other Nevada State Agency  Appeal Other Appeal from Lower Court Other Judicial Review/Appeal	
Civil	Writ		Other Civil Filing	
Civil Writ  ☐ Writ of Habeas Corpus ☐ Writ of Mandamus ☐ Writ of Quo Warrant	☐ Writ of Prohibition☐ Other Civil Writ	on	Other Civil Filing  Compromise of Minor's Claim Foreign Judgment Other Civil Matters	
Business Court	filings should be filed	using the Business Court	civil coversheet.	
February 27, 2015		/s/	/ Courtney K. Lee	
Date	-	Signature of	initiating party or representative	

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SCOTT PHILLIPS, individually; TEODORO 6 H. and ROSA-LINIDA R. BAUTISTA,

individually; BROWER FAMILY TRUST, individually; CHARLES COLUCCI,

individually; HARRY E. CROSBY REVOCABLE TRUST; DR. KAREN

FELDMAN, individually; COLLEN T. SAN FILIPPO, individually; THE GILLES

10 FAMILY LIVING TRUST DATED

JANUARY 14, 2014; DAVID M. GORDON, individually; CHARLES and MARIA HEARN,

individually; THOMAS C. and KATHLEEN

A. JOHNSON, individually; AARON KNUDSON, individually; LORRAINE

JOHNSON, individually; JOLEAN JONES,

individually; YOUNG KYOON KIM and INOK KIM, individually; MIKE and TALIA

LAQUITARA, individually; JAMES and ANDRONICKIE LAUTH, individually:

LEPORE FAMILY TRUST DATED 16

OCTOBER 30, 2008; JOHN LEVERITT, individually; ROGER A. MARTIN AND

VIRGINIA C. MARTIN JOINT LIVING TRUST; MASLIN FAMILY LIVING TRUST

DATED JANUARY 24, 2011; THOMAS 19 MEYERS and MARY CM MONICA-

MEYERS, individually: MARK MONACO. 20 individually; SAMIR FARID MOUJAES AND

SYLVA PUZANTIAN MOUJAES LIVING TRUST u/t/d August 13, 2013; BUD O'BRIEN

and ROSALIE O'BRIEN, individually; 22

DAVID L. POWELL and JUNE D. COOPER,

individually; RANDALL and NICOLE ROEDECKER, individually; EUGENIUSZ

and ZOFIA SUCHECKI, individually: GARY

G. TON, individually; ROY and SHARON VAN SLYKE, individually; LAUREL

YVONNE WEAVER, individually; SCOTT M.

ZIPKIN and ROBERT A & ELLEN R. ZIPKIN, individually; MICHAEL J. and

GLORIA NAN CONNOLLY, individually; ROBERT and CONCETTA GAYNOR,

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Dept. No. XXII

ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

SUSAN H. JOHNSON DISTRICT JUDGE DEPARTMENT XXII

individually; HECTOR G. and ROSARIO GARCIA, individually; JAMES A. HENDERSON, JR., individually; HOWARD S. and ROBERTA P. LEVINE, individually; KURT FIELD and CRISTEN BOLANDER-FIELD, individually; BOBBIE SMITH, individually; CHAD and ALLICIA TOMOLA, individually; WILLIAM and CONNIE MCDERMOTT, individually; SYDNEY WOO, individually; PREMIERE HOLDINGS RESIDENTIAL DIVISION, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; VEROL R. and DEBRA A. BELLINFANTE, individually; ALFREDO and ILUMINADO CAMPOS, individually; WYNSIE MARIE CHAN, individually; ROBERT M. DYKEMA, individually; BROCK and REANNA FOSTER, individually; J.C.F. FAMILY TRUST; WI JO KANG and CHONG-JA KANG, individually; TAKESHI NAKAYA, individually; DIONISIO ONG, individually; POURZIAEE ERAJ AND SEDI POURZIAEE JOINT LIVING TRUST; JOSEPH and MILAGROS RIVERA, individually; SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST; WILLIAM A. and CYNTHIA J. SHOOP, individually; RONALD TURNER, individually; BRENT and SARA URE, individually; WILLIAM R. and NANCY WALLEY, JR., individually; KEIL YOST, individually; STEVEN and MARIA MOORE, individually,

#### Plaintiffs,

Vs.

DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC., an Arizona Corporation, and DOES 1-500,

#### Defendants.

## ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

This matter, concerning Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015, came on for hearing on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2015 at the hour of 10:30 a.m. before Department XXII of the Eighth Judicial District Court, in and for Clark County, Nevada, with JUDGE SUSAN H. JOHNSON presiding; Plaintiffs SCOTT PHILLIPS, TEODORO H. and

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MARIA MOORE, by and through their attorney, DUANE E. SHINNICK, ESQ. of the law firm, SHINNICK RYAN & RANSAVAGE; and Defendant DELWEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. appeared by and through its attorney, RICHARD D. YOUNG, ESQ. of the law firm, KOELLER NEBEKER CARLSON & HALUCK. Having reviewed the papers and pleadings on file herein, heard oral arguments of the lawyers, and taken this matter under advisement, this Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

- 1. This case arises as a result of alleged constructional defects suffered by 62 homeowners/homeowner groups living in single family homes within Del Webb's Anthem Highlands residential development. Many of the Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups filed the initial Complaint against Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. on February 27, 2015, alleging claims of (1) breach of contract and express warranties, (2) breach of implied warranties, (3) negligence and negligence *per se* and (4) breach of implied warranty of habitability, and all brought pursuant to NRS 40.600, *et seq.* The Complaint was subsequently amended on March 6, 2015 to include the constructional defect claims of additional homeowners/homeowner groups.
- 2. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the claims of six (6) Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups identified and upon the bases listed below:
- a. Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER, ROBERT DYKEMA and TAKESHI NAKAYA as their claims are time-barred by the applicable Statute of Repose. According to Defendant, these particular plaintiffs first asserted claims of constructional defects more than ten (10) years after the date of substantial completion.

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- c. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE failed to comply with the prelitigation requirements of NRS 40.600, and thus, until they do abide by all such requisites, they cannot file their lawsuit, whereby their claims should be dismissed.
- 3. In response, Plaintiffs do not oppose the dismissal of claims lodged by DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA as these particular homeowners no longer desire to pursue their claims. However, with respect to claims brought by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA, these homeowners disagree their action is time-barred by the Statute of Repose. They propose they served their NRS 40.645 notice to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. within the ten-year time frame, and such notice tolled the Statute of Repose. Their claims, therefore, should not be dismissed. Further, STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE did comply with the requirements of NRS 40.600, *et seq.*, whereby their constructional defects action should not be dismissed.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Rule 12(b) of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP) provides every defense, in law or fact, to a claim for relief shall be asserted in the responsive pleading thereto if one is required, except that certain defenses, including plaintiff's failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, may be made by motion. If matters outside the pleading are presented to and are not excluded by the court, the motion to dismiss shall be treated as one for summary judgment and disposed of as provided in NRCP 56. In that case, all parties shall be given reasonable opportunity to present all material made pertinent to such a motion by NRCP 56. See NRCP 12(b). Here, both

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See NRCP 12(b)(5).

Plaintiffs and Defendant produced exhibits for consideration and they were not excluded by the Court. The standard by which this Court decides Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss is that set forth by NRCP 56.

- 2. Summary judgment is appropriate and "shall be rendered forthwith" when the pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate no "genuine issue as to any material fact [remains] and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law." See NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731. A factual dispute is genuine when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the non-moving party. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731.
- 3. While the pleadings and other proof must be construed in a light most favorable to the non-moving party, that party bears the burden "to do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt" as to the operative facts in order to avoid summary judgment bent entered in the moving party's favor. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. v. Zenith Radio, 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "must, by affidavit or otherwise, set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against him." Bulbman Inc. v. Nevada Bell, 108 Nev. 105, 110, 825 P.2d 588, 591 (1992), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "is not entitled to build a case on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation, and conjecture." Bulbman, 108 Nev. at 110, 825 P.2d 591, quoting Collins v. Union Fed. Savings & Loan, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983).

## Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA

3. Here, Plaintiffs do not oppose Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S motion as it seeks dismissal of claims lodged by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA. As there is no opposition, this Court grants Defendant's motion as it pertains to the

constructional defects claims of Plaintiffs ONG and NAKAYA. Also see EDCR 2.20(e).

### Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA

- 4. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the constructional defect claims lodged by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA upon the basis they are barred by the ten-year Statute of Repose.<sup>2</sup>
- 5. Prior to February 25, 2015,<sup>3</sup> NRS 11.203(1) provided an action based upon a known deficiency may not be brought "more than 10 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement...." NRS 11.2055 defines the "date of substantial completion;" it states in salient part:
  - 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, for the purposes of NRS 11.202 to 11.206, inclusive, the date of substantial completion of an improvement to real property shall be deemed to be the date on which:
    - (a) The final building inspection of the improvement is conducted;
    - (b) A notice of completion is issued for the improvement; or
  - (c) A certificate of occupancy is issued for the improvement, whichever occurs later. (Emphasis added)
- 6. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, if the injury occurs in the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year after substantial completion of such an improvement, an action for damages for injury to property or person may be commenced within two (2) years after the date of such injury. See NRS 11.203(2).<sup>5</sup>
  - 7. In this case, a "Certificate of Occupancy" for the home located at 2798 Lochleven

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Defendant does not concede the appropriate Statute of Repose period is ten (10) years, or that set forth in NRS 11.203. Its position is, irrespective of the Statute of Repose imposed, whether it be six (6), eight (8) or ten (10), the claims of Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are time-barred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>With the enactment of Assembly Bill (AB) 125 in late February 2015, the Statute of Repose is now six (6) years from date of the residence's substantial completion. For purposes of the instant motion, however, this Court applies the pre-AB 125 Statute of Repose periods, which include the ten (10) year Statute of Repose set forth by NRS 11.203.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>NRS 11.204(1) provided an action based on a latent deficiency may not be commenced "more than 8 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement" and NRS 11.205(1) set forth an action based upon a patent defect may not be commenced 'more than 6 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement..."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year is defined as starting as the beginning of the nine-year anniversary and ending on the tenth anniversary. An action for injury occurring between the start of Year 9 and ending the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary may be commenced within two (2) years thereafter.

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Way, Henderson, Nevada and owned by Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST was issued by the City of Henderson on November 23, 2004.6 A "Notice of Completion" was issued by Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. approximately a month later, on December 30, 2004. As NRS 11.2055(1) specifically provides the date of substantial completion is the latter of three events, i.e. final building inspection being conducted, the issuance of the certificate of occupancy, or when the notice of completion is issued, this Court concludes the date the SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST home was substantially completed is December 30, 2004.

Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its NRS 40.645 notice on December 30, 2014.8 While it is Plaintiff's view such notice served on the last day is timely, Defendant disagrees. Defendant proposes the last day to serve a notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 was December 29, 2014. This Court found no authority within the Nevada Revised Statutes, and particularly within NRS 40.600, et seq., to support either party's position. However, the timeliness of a document's filing is addressed within the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP), and particularly, in Rule 6. It provides in pertinent part:

Computation. In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by these rules, by the local rules of any district court, by order of court, or by any applicable statute, the day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day or, when the act to be done is the filing of a paper in court, a day on which whether or other conditions have made the office of the clerk of the district court inaccessible, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not one of the aforementioned days. (Emphasis added)

Here, the day of the act, i.e. the issuance of the Notice of Completion, is not included within the computation when the designated time begins to run. See NRCP 6(a). The designated time to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>See Exhibit A attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>See Exhibit 2 to Plaintiffs' Limited Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss filed June 5, 2015. No evidence was presented when the final building inspection was conducted; presumably, the inspection was conducted prior to the City of Henderson issuing the "Certificate of Occupancy." \*See Exhibit E attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

SUSAN H. JOHNSON DISTRICT JUDGE DEPARTMENT XXII run begins December 31, 2004. Accordingly, assuming the appropriate period for the Statute of Repose is ten (10) years, Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its notice of constructional defects timely when such was sent on the last day, December 30, 2014. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, as it pertains to the claims of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, is denied.

As it has concluded SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST timely served its NRS 40.645 notice, and thus, this Plaintiff's claims do not warrant dismissal, this Court declines to consider whether the action is "saved" by application of NRS 11.203's "savings clause."

8. The issuance of the "Certificate of Occupancy" for the residence owned by Plaintiff RONALD TURNER, 2844 Blythswood Square, Henderson, Nevada, was December 6, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued eight (8) days later, December 14, 2004. This Court concludes Plaintiff TURNER'S home was substantially completed on the latter date, December 14, 2004. See NRS 11.2055. Plaintiff TURNER served his NRS 40.645 notice of constructional defects on December 22, 2014. Unfortunately, such service falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and, as a consequence, Plaintiff RONALD TURNER'S constructional defect claims must be dismissed as being time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

Plaintiff TURNER proposes his claims are not time-barred as the "Notice of Completion" was not recorded until December 23, 2004. While this Court appreciates his stance, NRS 11.2055 does not identify the recording of the completion's notice at the local or county recorder's office as a defining date for substantial completion. As noted above, NRS 11.2055 specifically provides the improvement to real property is substantially completed upon the occurrence of the latter of three

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Again, for purposes of this motion, this Court appreciates Defendant addresses the ten-year Statute of Repose, but has not conceded it is the appropriate time frame.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>See Exhibit B attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC, 'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>See Exhibit 3 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

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9. The "Certificate of Occupancy" was issued for Plaintiff ROBERT DYKEMA'S house, 2818 Craigton Drive, Henderson, Nevada on November 2, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued on November 30, 2004. The NRS 40.645 Notice served by Plaintiff DYKEMA upon Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. is dated December 2, 2014. The service of the constructional defects notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and as a consequence, Plaintiff DYKEMA'S constructional defect claims are time-barred and must be dismissed.

As it notes concerning MR. TURNER'S claims, the recording of the Notice of Completion, which, in Plaintiff DYKEMA'S case, was December 8, 2004, is not a defining event. Again, this Court declines to consider the recording date as another date of substantial completion, or when the Statute of Repose period begins.

## Claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE

10. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. proposes the constructional defect claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE should be dismissed given their failure to abide by NRS Chapter 40's pre-litigation requirements. This Court understands these Plaintiffs served their initial NRS 40.645 Notice on February 26, 2015, utilizing the statute's pre-AB 125 requirements. Assembly Bill (AB) 125 requirements went into effect February 25, 2015. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE supplemented or amended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>See Exhibit C attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>See Exhibit 4 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss. <sup>14</sup>See Exhibit G attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

their NRS 40.645 on May 27, 2015 to comply with the AB 125 newly-enacted requirements. 15

- 11. Although these Plaintiffs may have complied with the new requirements of NRS 40.645, there is no indication within their Opposition to suggest they complied with the other requisites of NRS Chapter 40. In this Court's view, Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE must comply with all the pre-litigation requirements of NRS 40.600, et seq. before they can institute litigation. For this reason, this Court grants Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss as it pertains to the constructional defect claims of STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE without prejudice.
- being forever time-barred in bringing their constructional defect claims, and, for that reason, this Court should stay the action to allow the completion of the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process. See NRS 40.647. This Court disagrees with Plaintiffs' assessment. As the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process has not concluded, it continues and any pertinent limiting statute is tolled. See NRS 40.695. Plaintiffs must conclude the pre-litigation process, and should their constructional defects not be repaired or resolved, they can either file a new complaint or move this Court to include their claims along with those of their neighbors.

Accordingly, and based upon the aforementioned Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015 is granted in part, denied in part;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the claims brought by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA is dismissed, as unopposed;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>See Exhibit I attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, and Exhibit 6 to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are dismissed as being time-barred pursuant to the ten (10) year Statute of Repose, NRS 11.203;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE are dismissed, without prejudice, for failing to abide by and complete the pre-litigation process set forth by NRS 40.600, et seq., prior to the filing of their First Amended Complaint; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, seeking dismissal of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST'S constructional defect claims are denied as, in this Court's view, the NRS 40.645 notice was timely served upon this Defendant, whereby this Plaintiff's claims are not time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

DATED and DONE this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015.

SUSAN H. JOHNSON, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015, I electronically served (E-served), placed within the attorneys' folders located on the first floor of the Regional Justice Center or mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS to the following counsel of record, and first-class postage was fully prepaid thereon:

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Case No. A-15-714632-D

Dept. No. XXII

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#### Plaintiffs,

DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC., an Arizona Corporation, and DOES 1-500,

#### Defendants.

# ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS

This matter, concerning Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015, came on for hearing on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2015 at the hour of 10:30 a.m. before Department XXII of the Eighth Judicial District Court, in and for Clark County, Nevada, with JUDGE SUSAN H. JOHNSON presiding; Plaintiffs SCOTT PHILLIPS, TEODORO H. and

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MARIA MOORE, by and through their attorney, DUANE E. SHINNICK, ESQ. of the law firm, SHINNICK RYAN & RANSAVAGE; and Defendant DELWEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. appeared by and through its attorney, RICHARD D. YOUNG, ESQ. of the law firm, KOELLER NEBEKER CARLSON & HALUCK. Having reviewed the papers and pleadings on file herein, heard oral arguments of the lawyers, and taken this matter under advisement, this Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

# FINDINGS OF FACT AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

- homeowners/homeowner groups living in single family homes within Del Webb's Anthem Highlands residential development. Many of the Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups filed the initial Complaint against Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. on February 27, 2015, alleging claims of (1) breach of contract and express warranties, (2) breach of implied warranties, (3) negligence and negligence *per se* and (4) breach of implied warranty of habitability, and all brought pursuant to NRS 40.600, *et seq.* The Complaint was subsequently amended on March 6, 2015 to include the constructional defect claims of additional homeowners/homeowner groups.
- 2. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the claims of six (6) Plaintiff homeowners/homeowner groups identified and upon the bases listed below:
- a. Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER, ROBERT DYKEMA and TAKESHI NAKAYA as their claims are time-barred by the applicable Statute of Repose. According to Defendant, these particular plaintiffs first asserted claims of constructional defects more than ten (10) years after the date of substantial completion.

- c. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE failed to comply with the prelitigation requirements of NRS 40.600, and thus, until they do abide by all such requisites, they cannot file their lawsuit, whereby their claims should be dismissed.
- 3. In response, Plaintiffs do not oppose the dismissal of claims lodged by DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA as these particular homeowners no longer desire to pursue their claims. However, with respect to claims brought by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA, these homeowners disagree their action is time-barred by the Statute of Repose. They propose they served their NRS 40.645 notice to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. within the ten-year time frame, and such notice tolled the Statute of Repose. Their claims, therefore, should not be dismissed. Further, STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE did comply with the requirements of NRS 40.600, *et seq.*, whereby their constructional defects action should not be dismissed.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Rule 12(b) of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP) provides every defense, in law or fact, to a claim for relief shall be asserted in the responsive pleading thereto if one is required, except that certain defenses, including plaintiff's failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted,<sup>1</sup> may be made by motion. If matters outside the pleading are presented to and are not excluded by the court, the motion to dismiss shall be treated as one for summary judgment and disposed of as provided in NRCP 56. In that case, all parties shall be given reasonable opportunity to present all material made pertinent to such a motion by NRCP 56. See NRCP 12(b). Here, both

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See NRCP 12(b)(5).

Plaintiffs and Defendant produced exhibits for consideration and they were not excluded by the Court. The standard by which this Court decides Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss is that set forth by NRCP 56.

- Summary judgment is appropriate and "shall be rendered forthwith" when the 2. pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate no "genuine issue as to any material fact [remains] and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law." See NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant. Id., 121 Nev. at 731. A factual dispute is genuine when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the non-moving party. <u>Id.</u>, 121 Nev. at 731.
- 3. While the pleadings and other proof must be construed in a light most favorable to the non-moving party, that party bears the burden "to do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt" as to the operative facts in order to avoid summary judgment bent entered in the moving party's favor. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. v. Zenith Radio, 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "must, by affidavit or otherwise, set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against him." Bulbman Inc. v. Nevada Bell, 108 Nev. 105, 110, 825 P.2d 588, 591 (1992), cited by Wood, 121 Nev. at 732. The non-moving party "is not entitled to build a case on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation, and conjecture." Bulbman, 108 Nev. at 110, 825 P.2d 591, quoting Collins v. Union Fed. Savings & Loan, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983).

#### Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA

3. Here, Plaintiffs do not oppose Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S motion as it seeks dismissal of claims lodged by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA. As there is no opposition, this Court grants Defendant's motion as it pertains to the

constructional defects claims of Plaintiffs ONG and NAKAYA. Also see EDCR 2.20(e).

#### Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA

- 4. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. moves this Court to dismiss the constructional defect claims lodged by Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA upon the basis they are barred by the ten-year Statute of Repose.<sup>2</sup>
- 5. Prior to February 25, 2015,<sup>3</sup> NRS 11.203(1) provided an action based upon a known deficiency may not be brought "more than 10 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement...." NRS 11.2055 defines the "date of substantial completion;" it states in salient part:
  - 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, for the purposes of NRS 11.202 to 11.206, inclusive, the date of substantial completion of an improvement to real property shall be deemed to be the date on which:
    - (a) The final building inspection of the improvement is conducted;
    - (b) A notice of completion is issued for the improvement; or
  - (c) A certificate of occupancy is issued for the improvement, whichever occurs later. (Emphasis added)
- 6. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, if the injury occurs in the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year after substantial completion of such an improvement, an action for damages for injury to property or person may be commenced within two (2) years after the date of such injury. See NRS 11.203(2).<sup>5</sup>
  - 7. In this case, a "Certificate of Occupancy" for the home located at 2798 Lochleven

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Defendant does not concede the appropriate Statute of Repose period is ten (10) years, or that set forth in NRS 11.203. Its position is, irrespective of the Statute of Repose imposed, whether it be six (6), eight (8) or ten (10), the claims of Plaintiffs SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are time-barred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>With the enactment of Assembly Bill (AB) 125 in late February 2015, the Statute of Repose is now six (6) years from date of the residence's substantial completion. For purposes of the instant motion, however, this Court applies the pre-AB 125 Statute of Repose periods, which include the ten (10) year Statute of Repose set forth by NRS 11.203.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>NRS 11.204(1) provided an action based on a latent deficiency may not be commenced "more than 8 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement" and NRS 11.205(1) set forth an action based upon a patent defect may not be commenced 'more than 6 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement..."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) year is defined as starting as the beginning of the nine-year anniversary and ending on the tenth anniversary. An action for injury occurring between the start of Year 9 and ending the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary may be commenced within two (2) years thereafter.

Way, Henderson, Nevada and owned by Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST was issued by the City of Henderson on November 23, 2004.<sup>6</sup> A "Notice of Completion" was issued by Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. approximately a month later, on December 30, 2004.<sup>7</sup> As NRS 11.2055(1) specifically provides the date of substantial completion is the latter of three events, i.e. final building inspection being conducted, the issuance of the certificate of occupancy, or when the notice of completion is issued, this Court concludes the date the SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST home was substantially completed is December 30, 2004.

Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its NRS 40.645 notice on December 30, 2014. While it is Plaintiff's view such notice served on the last day is timely, Defendant disagrees. Defendant proposes the last day to serve a notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 was December 29, 2014. This Court found no authority within the Nevada Revised Statutes, and particularly within NRS 40.600, et seq., to support either party's position. However, the timeliness of a document's filing is addressed within the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure (NRCP), and particularly, in Rule 6. It provides in pertinent part:

(a) Computation. In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by these rules, by the local rules of any district court, by order of court, or by any applicable statute, the day of the act, event, or default from which the designated period time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a non-judicial day or, when the act to be done is the filing of a paper in court, a day on which whether or other conditions have made the office of the clerk of the district court inaccessible, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not one of the aforementioned days. (Emphasis added)

Here, the day of the act, i.e. the issuance of the Notice of Completion, is not included within the computation when the designated time begins to run. See NRCP 6(a). The designated time to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>See Exhibit A attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>See Exhibit 2 to Plaintiffs' Limited Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss filed June 5, 2015. No evidence was presented when the final building inspection was conducted; presumably, the inspection was conducted prior to the City of Henderson issuing the "Certificate of Occupancy."

<sup>\*</sup>See Exhibit E attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

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run begins December 31, 2004. Accordingly, assuming the appropriate period for the Statute of Repose is ten (10) years, Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST served its notice of constructional defects timely when such was sent on the last day, December 30, 2014. Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, as it pertains to the claims of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST, is denied.

As it has concluded SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST timely served its NRS 40.645 notice, and thus, this Plaintiff's claims do not warrant dismissal, this Court declines to consider whether the action is "saved" by application of NRS 11.203's "savings clause."

8. The issuance of the "Certificate of Occupancy" for the residence owned by Plaintiff RONALD TURNER, 2844 Blythswood Square, Henderson, Nevada, was December 6, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued eight (8) days later, December 14, 2004. This Court concludes Plaintiff TURNER'S home was substantially completed on the latter date, December 14, 2004. See NRS 11.2055. Plaintiff TURNER served his NRS 40.645 notice of constructional defects on December 22, 2014. Unfortunately, such service falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and, as a consequence, Plaintiff RONALD TURNER'S constructional defect claims must be dismissed as being time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

Plaintiff TURNER proposes his claims are not time-barred as the "Notice of Completion" was not recorded until December 23, 2004. While this Court appreciates his stance, NRS 11.2055 does not identify the recording of the completion's notice at the local or county recorder's office as a defining date for substantial completion. As noted above, NRS 11.2055 specifically provides the improvement to real property is substantially completed upon the occurrence of the latter of three

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Again, for purposes of this motion, this Court appreciates Defendant addresses the ten-year Statute of Repose, but has not conceded it is the appropriate time frame.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>See Exhibit B attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>See Exhibit 3 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

9. The "Certificate of Occupancy" was issued for Plaintiff ROBERT DYKEMA'S house, 2818 Craigton Drive, Henderson, Nevada on November 2, 2004. The "Notice of Completion" was issued on November 30, 2004. The NRS 40.645 Notice served by Plaintiff DYKEMA upon Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. is dated December 2, 2014. The service of the constructional defects notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 falls outside the ten-year Statute of Repose period, and as a consequence, Plaintiff DYKEMA'S constructional defect claims are time-barred and must be dismissed.

As it notes concerning MR. TURNER'S claims, the recording of the Notice of Completion, which, in Plaintiff DYKEMA'S case, was December 8, 2004, is not a defining event. Again, this Court declines to consider the recording date as another date of substantial completion, or when the Statute of Repose period begins.

## Claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE

10. As noted above, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. proposes the constructional defect claims of Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE should be dismissed given their failure to abide by NRS Chapter 40's pre-litigation requirements. This Court understands these Plaintiffs served their initial NRS 40.645 Notice on February 26, 2015, utilizing the statute's pre-AB 125 requirements. Assembly Bill (AB) 125 requirements went into effect February 25, 2015. Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE supplemented or amended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>See Exhibit C attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>See Exhibit 4 attached to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>See Exhibit G attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss.

their NRS 40.645 on May 27, 2015 to comply with the AB 125 newly-enacted requirements. 15

- 11. Although these Plaintiffs may have complied with the new requirements of NRS 40.645, there is no indication within their Opposition to suggest they complied with the other requisites of NRS Chapter 40. In this Court's view, Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE must comply with all the pre-litigation requirements of NRS 40.600, et seq. before they can institute litigation. For this reason, this Court grants Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss as it pertains to the constructional defect claims of STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE without prejudice.
- 12. Notably, these Plaintiffs have set forth dismissal of this action could result in their being forever time-barred in bringing their constructional defect claims, and, for that reason, this Court should stay the action to allow the completion of the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process. See NRS 40.647. This Court disagrees with Plaintiffs' assessment. As the NRS Chapter 40 pre-litigation process has not concluded, it continues and any pertinent limiting statute is tolled. See NRS 40.695. Plaintiffs must conclude the pre-litigation process, and should their constructional defects not be repaired or resolved, they can either file a new complaint or move this Court to include their claims along with those of their neighbors.

Accordingly, and based upon the aforementioned Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB
COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015 is granted in part, denied in part;
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the claims brought by

Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA is dismissed, as unopposed;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>See Exhibit I attached to Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, and Exhibit 6 to Plaintiffs' Opposition to Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are dismissed as being time-barred pursuant to the ten (10) year Statute of Repose, NRS 11.203;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE are dismissed, without prejudice, for failing to abide by and complete the pre-litigation process set forth by NRS 40.600, et seq., prior to the filing of their First Amended Complaint; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S Motion to Dismiss, seeking dismissal of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST'S constructional defect claims are denied as, in this Court's view, the NRS 40.645 notice was timely served upon this Defendant, whereby this Plaintiff's claims are not time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

DATED and DONE this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015.

SUBAN H. JOHNSON, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015, I electronically served (E-served), placed within the attorneys' folders located on the first floor of the Regional Justice Center or mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER RE: DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S MOTION TO DISMISS to the following counsel of record, and first-class postage was fully prepaid thereon:

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# DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Chapter 40 COURT MINUTES June 23, 2015

A-15-714632-D Scott Phillips, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Del Webb Communities, Inc., Defendant(s)

June 23, 2015 10:30 AM Motion to Dismiss

HEARD BY: Johnson, Susan COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 15D

COURT CLERK: Melissa Murphy

**RECORDER:** Norma Ramirez

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Shinnick, Duane E. Attorney

Young, Richard D Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- COURT noted it appeared there were no disputes as to claims against Plaintiff's Nakaya and Ong homes and therefore ORDERED, Motion to Dismiss GRANTED.

Arguments by counsel regarding applicable case law; whether the 6 year, 8 year or 10 year period of repose applied; whether the Chapter 40 notices were untimely or insufficient; whether there were valid allegations in the pleadings and disputes as to the definition of issuance. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, matter TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT with respects to Plaintiff's Moore, Turner, Dykema and Salisbury.

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# DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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- COURT, having heard Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss on 06/23/15, and having taken the matter under advisement, thereafter ORDERED, Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. S Motion to Dismiss filed May 19, 2015 is GRANTED IN PART, DENIED IN PART;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the claims brought by Plaintiffs DIONISIO ONG and TAKESHI NAKAYA is DISMISSED, as unopposed;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs RONALD TURNER and ROBERT DYKEMA are DISMISSED as being time-barred pursuant to the ten (10) year Statute of Repose, NRS 11.203;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the constructional defect claims brought by Plaintiffs STEVEN MOORE and MARIA MOORE are DISMISSED, without prejudice, for failing to abide by and complete the pre-litigation process set forth by NRS 40.600, et seq., prior to the filing of their First Amended Complaint; and

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED Defendant DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. S Motion to Dismiss, seeking dismissal of Plaintiff SALISBURY FAMILY TRUST S constructional defect claims are DENIED as, in this Court s view, the NRS 40.645 notice was timely served upon this Defendant, whereby this Plaintiff s claims are not time-barred. See NRS 11.203.

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

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DATE: December 4, 2015

CASE: A714632

**RE CASE:** SCOTT PHILLIPS, ET AL. vs. DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.

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Please refer to Rule 3 for an explanation of any possible deficiencies.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Per District Court Administrative Order 2012-01, in regards to civil litigants, "...all Orders to Appear in Forma Pauperis expire one year from the date of issuance." You must reapply for in Forma Pauperis status.

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County of Clark

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Defendant(s),

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

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2	TEODORO H. and ROSA-LINDA R.	DEPT. NO.: XXII
	BAUTISTA, individually; BROWER	)
13	FAMILY TRUST, individually; CHARLES COLUCCI, individually; HARRY E.	)
14	CROSBY REVOCABLE TRUST; DR.	)
14	KAREN FELDMAN, individually;	DEFENDANT DEL WEBB
15	COLLEN T. SAN FILIPPO, individually;	COMMUNITIES, INC.'S ANSWER
	THE GILLES FAMILY LIVING TRUST,	TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT
16	DATED JANUARY 14, 2014; DAVID M.	)
	GORDON, individually; CHARLES and	)
17	MARIA HEARN, individually; THOMAS C. and KATHLEEN A. JOHNSON,	
18	individually; AARON KNUDSON,	)
10	individually; LORRAINE JOHNSON,	)
19	individually; JOLEAN JONES, individually;	)
	YOUNG KYOON KIM and INOK KIM,	)
20	individually; MIKE and TALIA	
	LAQUITARA, individually; JAMES and	
21	ANDRONICKIE LAUTH, individually; LEPORE FAMILY TRUST DATED	)
22	OCTOBER 30, 2008; JOHN LEVERITT,	)
44	individually; ROGER A. MARTIN and	)
23	VIRGINIA C. MARTIN JOINT LIVING	)
	TRUST; MASLIN FAMILY LIVING	)
24	TRUST DATED JANUARY 24, 2011;	
	THOMAS MEYERS and MARY CM MONICA-MEYERS, individually; MARK	)
25	MONACO, individually; SAMIR FARID	)
26	MOUJAES and SYLVA PUZANTIAN	)
-0	MOUJAES LIVING TRUST u/t/d August	)
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2	and ZOFIA SUCHECKI, individually; GARY G. TON, individually; ROY and	)
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7	individually; JAMES A. HENDERSON JR., individually; HOWARD S. and ROBERTA	) )
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8	CRISTEN BOLANDER-FIELD,	)
9	individually; BOBBIE SMITH, individually; CHAD and ALLICIA TOMOLA,	)
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10	MCDERMOTT, individually; SYDNEY WOO, individually; PREMIERE	Ć
11	HOLDINGS RESIDENTIAL DIVISION,	)
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	BELLINFANTE, individually; ALFREDO	)
13	and ILUMINADA CAMPOS, individually; WYNSIE MARIE CHAN, individually;	)
14	ROBERT M. DYKEMA, individually;	)
15	BROCK and REANNA FOSTER, individually; J C F FAMILY TRUST; WI JO	)
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18	JOSEPH and MILAGROS RIVERA, individually; SALISBURY FAMILY	)
19	TRUST; WILLIAM A. and CYNTHIA J.	)
20	SHOOP, individually; RONALD TURNER, individually; BRENT and SARA URE,	)
	individually; WILLIAM R. and NANCY	)
21	WALLEY JR., individually; KIEL YOST, individually; STEVEN and MARIA	)
22	MOORE, individually;	)
23	Plaintiffs	
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11	DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC., an Arizona Corporation, and DOES 1-500,	)))
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Defendant, DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC. (hereinafter referred to as "Del Webb") submits its Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint.

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 1. Answering Paragraph 1 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same
- 2. Answering Paragraph 2 and 2a of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts that said Paragraphs constitute legal conclusions to some extent, to which no response is required. To the extent said Paragraphs are determined to contain factual allegations, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 3. Answering Paragraph 3 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts that it is a definition to some extent, to which no response is required. To the extent said Paragraph is determined to contain a factual allegation, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 4. Answering Paragraph 4 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts that there are no allegations contained in said Paragraph as such no response is required.
- 5. Answering Paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb admits that it is authorized and licensed to do business in Clark County, State of Nevada and that it is an Arizona corporation. As to the remainder of the allegations contained therein, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies the same.
- 6. Answering Paragraph 6 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 7. Answering Paragraph 7 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies same.

- 8. Answering Paragraph 8 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies same.
- 9. Answering Paragraph 9 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb admits that it acted as the developer of the subject project and that it engaged in the development, construction and/or sale of homes, appurtenances and improvements at the subject project. As to the remainder of the allegations contained therein, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 10. Answering Paragraph 10 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies same.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

# (Breach of Contract and Breach of Express Warranties as Against All Defendants and Does 1 through 400)

- 11. Answering Paragraph 11 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 through 10, inclusive, and incorporates the same by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 12. Answering Paragraph 12 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 13. Answering Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 14. Answering Paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.

- 15. Answering Paragraph 15 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb denies the allegations contained therein.
- 16. Answering Paragraph 16 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 17. Answering Paragraph 17 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts that certain allegations constitute legal conclusions to some extent, to which no response is required. To the extent said Paragraphs are determined to contain factual allegations, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 18. Answering Paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts that certain allegations constitute legal conclusions to some extent, to which no response is required. To the extent said Paragraphs are determined to contain factual allegations, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein.

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

# (Breach of Implied Warranties Third-Party Beneficiary as against Does 1 through 400)

- 19. Answering Paragraph 19 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 through 18, inclusive, and incorporates the same by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 20. Answering Paragraph 20 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb admits entering subcontract agreements for materials, construction and design services with certain subcontractors, Del Webb denies that Plaintiffs' were intended as Third-Party Beneficiaries to any subcontract agreements.
- 21. Answering Paragraph 21 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 22. Answering Paragraph 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.

- 23. Answering Paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 24. Answering Paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts that certain allegations constitute legal conclusions to some extent, to which no response is required. To the extent said Paragraphs are determined to contain factual allegations, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein.

#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

#### (Negligence and Negligence per se As to All Defendants, and Does 1 through 400)

- 25. Answering Paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 through 24, inclusive, and incorporates the same by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 26. Answering Paragraph 26 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts to the extent said Paragraphs apply to Del Webb, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein. With respect to the remainder of the allegations contained therein and their application to other parties, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of said allegations, and therefore denies the same.
- 27. Answering Paragraph 27 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts to the extent said Paragraphs apply to Del Webb, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein. With respect to the remainder of the allegations contained therein and their application to other parties, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of said allegations, and therefore denies the same.
- 28. Answering Paragraph 28 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts to the extent said Paragraphs apply to Del Webb, Del Webb denies each and allegation contained therein. With respect to the remainder of the allegations contained therein and their application to other parties, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of said allegations, and therefore denies the same.

- 29. Answering Paragraph 29 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts to the extent said Paragraphs apply to Del Webb, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein. With respect to the remainder of the allegations contained therein and their application to other parties, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or fasity of said allegations, and therefore denies the same.
- 30. Answering Paragraph 30 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts to the extent said Paragraphs apply to Del Webb, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein. With respect to the remained of the allegations contained therein and their application to other parties, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of said allegations, and therefore denies the same.
- 31. Answering Paragraph 31 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb asserts to the extent said Paragraphs apply to Del Webb, Del Webb denies each and every allegation contained therein. With respect to the remainder of the allegations contained therein and their application to other parties, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of said allegations, and therefore denies the same.

#### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# (Breach of Implied Warranty of Habitability as to All Defendants and Does 1 through 400)

- 32. Answering Paragraph 32 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb repeats and realleges its answers to Paragraphs 1 through 31, inclusive, and incorporates the same by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 33. Answering Paragraph 33 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 34. Answering Paragraph 34 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.

- 35. Answering Paragraph 35 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.
- 36. Answering Paragraph 36 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Del Webb is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained therein, and therefore denies same.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a first, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint, and each and every purported cause of action contained therein, fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against Del Webb.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a second, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb alleges that the damages suffered by Plaintiffs, if any, were the direct and proximate result of the negligence of parties, persons, corporations and/or entities other than Del Webb, and that the liability of Del Webb, if any, is limited in direct proportion to the percentage of fault actually attributable to Del Webb.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a third, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the injuries and damages of which Plaintiffs complain were proximately caused or contributed to by the acts of other persons and/or entities and that said acts were an intervening and/or superseding cause of the injuries and damages, if any, of which Plaintiffs complain, thus barring any recovery against Del Webb.

#### FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a fourth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned herein, Plaintiffs were negligent, careless and reckless and unlawfully conducted themselves so as to directly and proximately

contribute to the happening of the incident(s) and the occurrence(s) of the claimed damages, all of which said negligence bars either completely or partially the damages sought herein.

#### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a fifth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the Plaintiffs expressly, voluntarily and knowingly assumed all risks alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint and therefore Plaintiffs are barred either totally or to the extent of said assumption from any damages by the doctrines of consent and assumptions of the risks.

#### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a sixth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the Plaintiffs failed to exercise reasonable care and diligence to avoid loss and to minimize damages and, therefore, Plaintiffs may not recover for losses which could have been prevented by reasonable efforts or by expenditures which might reasonably have been made and, therefore, Plaintiffs' recovery, if any, should be reduced by the failure to mitigate damages, if any.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a seventh, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each and every cause of action is barred by the doctrine of unclean hands.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As an eighth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that any and all events, happenings, injuries and damages, if any, as alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint, were a direct result of an Act of God.

#### **NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

As a ninth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the Plaintiffs have engaged in conduct and activities sufficient to constitute a waiver of any alleged breach of conduct, negligence, or any other conduct, if any, as set forth in Plaintiffs' Complaint.

#### **TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

As a tenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that any and all events, happenings, injuries and damages, if any, as alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint, were proximately caused or contributed to by the products in question having been used in a non-intended or abnormal manner, and not as a result of any defects in or failure of said products or any of their component parts.

#### **ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

As an eleventh, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs have engaged in conduct and activities with respect to the property and activities which are the subject of Plaintiffs' Complaint and by reason of said activities are estopped from asserting any claim for damages or seeking any other relief against Del Webb.

#### TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twelfth, separate and affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims as stated in Plaintiffs' Complaint are barred due to Plaintiffs' failure to comply with the provisions of NRS 40.600 et. al.

#### THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirteenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each and every one of Plaintiffs' causes of action is barred by the doctrine of laches.

#### FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a fourteenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint and each purported cause of action contained therein was brought without reasonable care and without a good faith belief that there was a justifiable controversy under the facts and the law which warranted the filing of Plaintiffs' Complaint against Del Webb; therefore, Plaintiffs are responsible for all necessary and reasonable defense costs, including attorney's fees incurred by Del Webb.

#### FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a fifteenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times and places alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint, Plaintiffs failed to perform all duties and obligations on their part of any agreement, oral or written, with Del Webb, and such acts or omissions bar Plaintiffs' recovery herein.

#### SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a sixteenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that prior to the commencement of this action, Del Webb duly paid, satisfied and discharged all duties and obligations it owed to Plaintiffs arising out of any and all agreements, representations or contracts made by or on behalf of Del Webb.

#### SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a seventeenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs and others modified, altered or changed the property so that such changes in said product proximately caused the injuries, losses and damages alleged within Plaintiffs' Complaint.

#### EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As an eighteenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs have failed to name indispensable parties in Plaintiffs' Complaint, and by reason of which Plaintiffs are barred from recovery herein.

#### **NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

As a nineteenth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the object(s) that is (are) alleged to have caused injury to the Plaintiffs was (were) altered by some person or persons not under the supervision or control of Del Webb.

#### TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twentieth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs are barred from recovery from Del Webb under a

theory of comparative fault in that Plaintiffs' negligence, if any, was active and primary while the negligence, if any, of Del Webb was passive and secondary.

#### TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-first, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb alleges that at the time Del Webb's product left the hands of its manufacturer, if in fact Del Webb's product was involved within this litigation as alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint; said product was fit and proper for the use for which it was designed and intended.

#### TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-second, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs failed to give adequate notice of the alleged breach of warranty, or that there was a delay in giving notice of a breach within a reasonable time of discovery the breach.

# TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-third, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that if there are any defects or inadequacies in the work performed by Del Webb, which Del Webb denies, Plaintiffs have failed to timely notify Del Webb of such conditions, and have failed to give Del Webb timely opportunity to cure such conditions or to mitigate any damage, if any, resulting from such conditions. This conduct by Plaintiffs bars them from recovery of any relief from Del Webb.

## TWENTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-fourth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs failed to take all proper measures and remedies to protect their property from damage and injury and said actions or inactions working as a complete bar to any recovery herein.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-fifth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that, at all times mentioned herein, the transaction between the individual Plaintiffs and Del Webb is one that would be governed by the Statute of Frauds.

#### TWENTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-sixth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs are not, nor have they ever been a third-party beneficiary of the subcontracts between Del Webb, and those entities who performed the work to design, engineer and/or construct Plaintiffs' homes.

#### TWENTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-seventh, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned in Plaintiffs' Complaint herein, no fiduciary duty existed on the part of Del Webb toward Plaintiffs.

#### TWENTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-eighth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs have failed to satisfy one or more express or implied conditions precedent to any obligation(s) allegedly owed to Plaintiffs.

#### TWENTY-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a twenty-ninth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned, there was, has been and continues to be a material failure of consideration on the part of the Plaintiffs herein, as a consequence of which Del Webb's duty of performance has been discharged.

#### THIRTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirtieth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs lack standing necessary to bring and maintain the claims as alleged by way of Plaintiffs' Complaint.

### THIRTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-first, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs are not, nor have they ever been, within the class of persons that the applicable Uniform and/or International Building Codes are/were intended to protect to support a claim for negligence per se.

#### THIRTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-second, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint fails to set forth any specific code violation to support a claim for negligence per se.

#### THIRTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-third, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned in Plaintiffs' Complaint, Plaintiffs and Del Webb were not in privity of contract.

#### THIRTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-fourth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statutes of repose and statutes of limitation.

#### THIRTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-fifth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint utilizes undefined terms that are misleading, confusing and inappropriate, and as such Del Webb cannot defend the claims alleged against it. Del Webb is entitled to a more specific statement(s)/allegation(s) from Plaintiffs.

#### THIRTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-sixth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs do not offer information or allegations in support of their claim that Del Webb made any repairs at their respective residences, or that any alleged repairs were insufficient. Accordingly, Plaintiffs' allegations in this regard have no basis, and Del Webb is entitled to a more specific statement(s)/allegation(s) from Plaintiffs.

#### THIRTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-seventh, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs purchased the subject properties with notice of alleged defects such that Plaintiffs' are stopped from bringing the current claims.

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#### THIRTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-eighth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint fails to provide specific allegations. Del Webb is entitled to a more specific statement(s)/allegation(s) from Plaintiffs.

#### THIRTY-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a thirty-ninth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs claim under NRS 116.4114 fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted; and Plaintiffs also lack the necessary standing to pursue such a claim under NRS 116.4114.

#### FORTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a fortieth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are precluded due to lack of maintenance and other necessary work in light of the foreclosure upon their properties and non-occupancy related to same.

#### FORTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a forty-first, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the doctrine of Res Judicata.

### FORTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a forty-second, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the doctrine of collateral estoppel.

## FORTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a forty-third, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by NRS 46.640(1), which provides that a contractor is not liable for alleged construction defects based upon the acts or omissions of another.

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#### FORTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a forty-fourth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by NRS 46.640(2), which provides that a contractor is not liable for alleged construction defects due to a failure to maintain the property.

#### FORTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a forty-fifth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by NRS 46.640(3), which provides that a contractor is not liable for alleged construction defects due to normal wear, tear or deterioration.

#### <u>FORTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>

As a forty-sixth, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Plaintiffs' claims are barred by NRS 46.640(4).

#### FORTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

As a forty-seventh, separate and distinct affirmative defense, Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Del Webb presently has insufficient knowledge or information upon which to form a belief as to whether it may have additional, yet unasserted affirmative defenses. Del Webb therefore reserves the right to assert additional affirmative defenses in the event discovery indicates it would be appropriate.

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WHEREFORE, Del Webb prays for judgment against Plaintiffs, and each of them, as follows:

- 1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by way of Plaintiffs' Complaint;
- 2. That Plaintiffs' Complaint be dismissed with prejudice in its entirety;
- 3. For attorney's fees and costs; and
- 4. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just, equitable, and proper. DATED this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of December, 2015.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **DEFENDANT DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC.'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT** by electronically serving all parties via the Court's Electronic Filing System.

& HALUCK, LLP

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#### DISTRICT COURT

#### CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

SCOTT PHILLIPS, individually; TEODORO H. ) CASE NO. A-15-714632-D and ROSA-LINDA R. BAUTISTA, individually; BROWER FAMILY TRUST, individually; CHARLES COLUCCI, individually; HARRY E. CROSBY REVOCABLE TRUST; DR. KAREN FELDMAN, individually; COLLEEN T. SAN FILIPPO, individually; THE GILLES FAMILY LIVING TRUST, DATED JANUARY 14, 2010; DAVID M. GORDON, individually; CHARLES and MARIA HEARN, individually; THOMAS C. and KATHLEEN A. JOHNSON, individually; AARON KNUDSON, individually; LORRAINE JOHNSON, individually; JOLEAN JONES, individually; YOUNG KYOON KIM and INOK KIM, individually; MIKE and TALIA LAQUITARA, individually; JAMES and ANDRONICKIE LAUTH, individually; LEPORE FAMILY TRUST DATED OCTOBER 30, 2008; JOHN LEVERITT, individually; ROGER A. MARTIN AND VIRGINIA C. MARTIN JOINT LIVING TRUST; MASLIN FAMILY LIVING TRUST DATED JANUARY 24, 2011; THOMAS MEYERS and MARY C. MONICA-MEYERS, individually; MARK MONACO, individually; SAMIR FARID MOUJAES AND SYLVA PUZANTIAN MOUJAES LIVING TRUST u/t/d August 13, 2013; BUD O'BRIEN and ROSALIE O'BRIEN, individually; DAVID L. POWELL and JUNE D. COOPER, individually; RANDALL and NICOLE ROEDECKER, individually; EUGENIUSZ and ZOFIA

DEPT. NO. XXII

FINAL JUDGMENT RE: PLAINTIFFS RONALD TURNER AND ROBERT DYKEMA

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22	NANCY WALLEY, JR., individually; KIEL
	YOST, individually; STEVEN and MARIA
23	MOORE, individually;
24	Plaintiffs,
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26	DEL WEBB COMMUNITIES, INC., an Arizona
	Corporation; and DOES 1 through 500,
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	Defendants.
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#### **FINAL JUDGMENT**

On June 23, 2015, before the Honorable Susan H. Johnson in Department XXII of the above-referenced Court, Defendant brought on for hearing their Motion to Dismiss ("Motion") filed on May 19, 2015.

Duane E. Shinnick, Esq. of Shinnick, Ryan & Ransavage, P.C. appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs, and Richard D. Young, Esq. of Koeller, Nebeker, Carlson & Haluck, LLP appeared on behalf of Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc. All other appearances noted on the record.

Pursuant to NRCP 54(b), the Court, finding there is no just reason for delay and upon the express direction for the entry of final judgment, final judgment is hereby entered only as to Plaintiffs Ronald Turner ("Turner") and Robert M. Dykema ("Dykema") based upon the Order dated November 25, 2015 ("Order"). The Order granted Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s ("Del Webb") Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs Turner and Dykema, inter alia. Because the Court considered material outside of the pleadings - the notices of completion - in dismissing Plaintiffs Turner and Dykema, such dismissals operated as summary judgments. The Order found that Turner's and Dykema's constructional defect claims are time-barred by the ten (10) Statute(s) of Repose, NRS 11.203 and/or limitations.

IT IS SO O	RDERED.	/	
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DATED this	22 day of	hlec.	, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted by:

SHINNICK, RYAN & RANSAVAGE P.C.

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Amended Notice is hereby given that Plaintiffs Ronald Turner ("Turner") and Robert M. Dykema ("Dykema") appeal to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the District Court Final Judgment entered on December 24, 2015 and the District Court Order entered on November 25, 2015, which granted Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.'s ("Del Webb") Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs Turner and Dykema. The entry of dismissal for Plaintiffs Turner and Dykema operated as a summary adjudication on the merits as matters outside of the pleadings were presented and considered by the District Judge in granting the dismissals or deciding that Turner's and Dykema's claims were barred by the statute(s) of repose and/or limitations.

DATED this 26 day of December, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

#### I, JESSICA WHITE, declare:

I am a resident of and employed in Clark County, Nevada. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within action. My business address is 4001 Meadows Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89107.

On December 25, 2015, I served the documents described as **AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL** in Case No. A-15-714632-D on the following parties:

Jason W. Williams, Esq. Richard D. Young, Esq. KOELLER NEBEKER CARLSON & HALUCK, LLP 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 500 Las Vegas, NV 89101

- X VIA U.S. MAIL: by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid to the above named attorney at the law offices of KOELLER NEBKER CARLSON & HALUCK, LLP, counsel of record for Defendant Del Webb Communities, Inc.
- X VIA E-SERVICE: on all counsel of record through the Clark County District Court Electronic Filing Program per Wiznet Odyssey File and Serve.

I declare that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at Las Vegas, Nevada, on December 25, 2015.

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An/Employee of SHINNICK, RYAN & RANSAVAGE P.C.