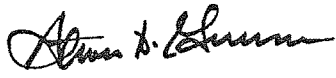


# **EXHIBIT “1”**

  
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14 GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD,

15 Plaintiff,

16 v.

17 DENNIS KOGOD,

18 Defendant.

CASE NO.: D-13-489442-D  
DEPT. NO.: C

19 COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

20 COMES NOW Plaintiff, GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD and as and for her  
21 Complaint for Divorce against Defendant, DENNIS KOGOD, alleges as follows:

22 I.

23 Plaintiff is, and for more than six weeks immediately preceding the  
24 commencement of this action and the verification and filing of this Complaint has  
25 been, an actual bona fide resident and domiciliary of the County of Clark, State of  
26 Nevada, and during all of said period of time Plaintiff had and still has the intent to  
27 make the State of Nevada her home, residence and domicile for an indefinite period  
28 of time.

...

II.

Plaintiff and Defendant were duly and legally married in New York, New York on July 20, 1991, and ever since said date have been and are now husband and wife.

III.

There are no minor children born the issue of the parties' marriage, no adopted children, and Plaintiff is not pregnant.

IV.

Plaintiff is financially dependent upon Defendant for her support. Plaintiff, thus, is entitled to an award of alimony pendente lite, permanent alimony, rehabilitative alimony, and other support and maintenance from Defendant in such amounts that Plaintiff is able to live as nearly as possible to the station in life she has enjoyed during the parties' marriage. Moreover, Defendant is financially able, and should be ordered to pay, a sufficient sum necessary to maintain Plaintiff in the standard to which she has become accustomed. The Court should make a permanent alimony award in such amount as to equalize the income of the parties, as recognized by the Nevada Supreme Court in *Gardner v. Gardner*, 110 Nev. 1053, 881 P.2d 645 (1994). Such alimony payments should continue until the death of Plaintiff. Defendant additionally is well-able to provide major medical and health insurance coverage for Plaintiff and to pay all medical, surgical, dental, orthodontic, optical, and psychological expenses not otherwise covered by such insurance. Defendant further is able to maintain one or more life insurance policies insuring his life in an amount sufficient to secure and provide for the payment of such support, with Plaintiff being the irrevocable beneficiary thereof.

V.

The parties have community and jointly owned property that should be adjudicated by the Court. Plaintiff currently is not fully aware of the full character, nature, and extent of such community and jointly owned property, but anticipates the same will be determined during the course of discovery and the litigation of this case.

VI.

Pursuant to NRS 125.150(1), *Putterman v. Putterman*, 113 Nev. 606, 939 P.2d 1047 (1997), and *Lofgren v. Lofgren*, 112 Nev. 1282, 926 P.2d 296 (1996), compelling circumstances exist which support an award to Plaintiff of greater than one-half (½) of the community and jointly owned property of the parties. Such compelling circumstances include, but are not limited to, Defendant's waste/dissipation of community and jointly held property, and Plaintiff's inability to obtain access to information regarding community and jointly held property.

VII.

Plaintiff has certain separate property that should be confirmed to Plaintiff as her sole and separate property.

VIII.

The parties have community and joint debts and financial obligations that should be adjudicated by the Court. Plaintiff currently is not fully aware of the full character, nature, and extent of such community and joint debts, but anticipates the same will be determined during the course of discovery and the litigation of this case.

IX.

It has been necessary for Plaintiff to retain the services of attorneys to represent her in this divorce action. The Court should award Plaintiff the reasonable attorneys' fees, expert fees, and costs of suit she has incurred and will continue to incur as a result of this divorce action. Such fees and costs are necessary and essential to afford Plaintiff her day in court without destroying her financial position and to allow her to meet Defendant in the courtroom on the equal basis to which she is entitled pursuant to *Sargeant v. Sargeant*, 88 Nev. 223, 227, 495 P.2d 618 (1972).

X.

Plaintiff and Defendant are incompatible in their tastes, natures, views, likes, and dislikes, which have become so widely separate and divergent that the parties have been and currently are incompatible to such an extent that it now appears that there



1 is no possibility of reconciliation between Plaintiff and Defendant. There currently  
2 remains such an incompatible temperament between Plaintiff and Defendant that a  
3 happy marital relationship can no longer exist.

4 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that the Court enter judgment as  
5 follows:

6 1. That the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between  
7 Plaintiff and Defendant be dissolved, set aside, and forever held for naught, and that  
8 Plaintiff be awarded a Decree of Divorce, and the parties hereto and each of them be  
9 restored to their status of being a single, unmarried person.

10 2. That Defendant be ordered to pay alimony and spousal support to  
11 Plaintiff as requested in this Complaint, specifically including, but not limited to  
12 each Plaintiff's requests set forth in Paragraph IV of this Complaint, and in such  
13 amounts sufficient to maintain Plaintiff in the standard to which Plaintiff has become  
14 accustomed, and to support Plaintiff as alleged herein above.

15 3. That the Court equitably divide the parties' community and jointly  
16 owned property by awarding Plaintiff with greater than one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of all such  
17 community and jointly owned property, taking into consideration the condition in  
18 which the parties will be left after their divorce and all other compelling circumstances  
19 supporting such an unequal division.

20 4. That the Court confirm to Plaintiff her separate property.

21 5. That the Court equitably divide the community and joint debts of the  
22 parties.

23 6. That Plaintiff be the awarded the reasonable attorneys' fees, expert fees,  
24 and costs incurred by Plaintiff in this action.

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1           7.     For such other and further relief as the Court may determine to be just  
2 and proper in the premises.

3           DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013.

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5                               DENISE L. GENTILE, CHTD.

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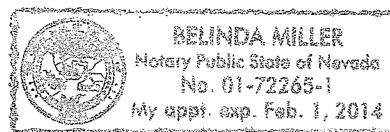
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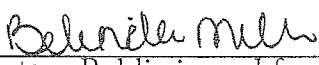
STATE OF NEVADA }  
COUNTY OF CLARK } SS:

GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says: That she is the Plaintiff in the above-entitled action; that she read the foregoing Complaint for Divorce and knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of her own knowledge except for those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as for those matters, she believes the same to be true.

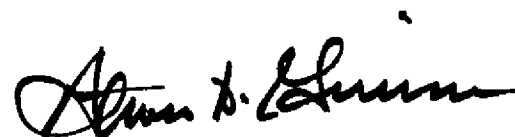
  
GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013.



  
Notary Public in and for said  
County and State.

# **EXHIBIT “2”**



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CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD,

Plaintiff,

v.

DENNIS KOGOD,

Defendant.

CASE NO. D-13-489442-D  
DEPT. NO. G

**ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE AND COUNTERCLAIM**

COMES NOW, Defendant, DENNIS KOGOD, by and through his counsel of record, James J. Jimmerson, Esq. and Shawn M. Goldstein, Esq., of the law firm of Jimmerson Hansen, P.C., and hereby files his Answer to Complaint for Divorce and Counterclaim and states as follows:

1. Defendant, DENNIS KOGOD, admits each and every allegation contained in Paragraphs I, II, and X of Plaintiff's Complaint for Divorce on file herein.

2. Answering Paragraph III of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant admits that there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage, or adopted in this marriage. Defendant is without information, but believes and accepts Plaintiff's representation that she is not pregnant.

3. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in Paragraphs IV, VI, and IX of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein.

1           4.       Answering Paragraph V of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant admits  
2 that the parties have community and jointly owned property that should be adjudicated by the  
3 Court, and is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the remainder  
4 of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies the same.

5           5.       Answering Paragraph VII of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant is  
6 without sufficient knowledge or information to confirm the existence of Plaintiff's separate  
7 property, although it is possible she may have some, and therefore denies the same.

8           6.       Answering Paragraph VIII of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant  
9 admits that the parties have community and joint debts and financial obligations that should  
10 be adjudicated by the Court, and is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief  
11 as to the remainder of the allegations contained therein and therefore denies the same.

12           WHEREFORE, Defendant, DENNIS KOGOD prays that Plaintiff GABRIELLE CIOFFI-  
13 KOGOD take nothing by way of her Complaint.

14                               **COUNTERCLAIM FOR DIVORCE**

15           COMES NOW, Defendant/Counterclaimant, DENNIS KOGOD (hereinafter referred to  
16 as "DENNIS"), by and through his attorneys, JAMES J. JIMMERSON, ESQ., and SHAWN M.  
17 GOLDSTEIN, ESQ., of the law firm of Jimmerson Hansen, P.C., and for his cause of action  
18 again Plaintiff/Counterdefendant, GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD (hereinafter referred to as  
19 "GABRIELLE"), complains and alleges as follows:

20                               **I.**

21           That DENNIS and GABRIELLE are now and for more than six (6) weeks prior to the  
22 commencement of this action has been, actual, bona fide residents and domiciliaries of the  
23 County of Clark, State of Nevada, actually and physically residing and being domiciled therein  
24 during all of said period of time.

25                               **II.**

26           That the parties intermarried on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1993 in Manhattan, New  
27 York, and ever since said date have been and now are husband and wife.

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1 III.

2 That there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage, no children adopted  
3 into this marriage, and to the best of DENNIS' knowledge, GABRIELLE is not now pregnant.

4 IV.

5 That there is community property belonging to the parties, the exact amounts and  
6 descriptions of which are unknown to DENNIS at this time, and DENNIS prays leave of Court  
7 to amend this Complaint to insert the same when they have become known to him at the time  
8 of trial in this matter; that this Court should equally divide all community property of the parties.

9 V.

10 That there are community debts of the parties, the exact amounts and descriptions of  
11 which are unknown to DENNIS at this time, and DENNIS prays leave of Court to amend this  
12 Complaint to insert the same when they have become known to him at the time of trial in this  
13 matter; that this Court should make a fair and equitable division of all community debts of the  
14 parties.

15 VI.

16 That to the extent that there is separate property of a party, the same should be  
17 confirmed to him/her, as the case may be, as his/her sole and separate property.

18 VII.

19 That since said marriage, DENNIS and GABRIELLE have become and are  
20 incompatible, such that their likes and dislikes have become so divergent that they can no  
21 longer live together as husband and wife.

22 VIII.

23 That both parties are able-bodied and capable of supporting themselves without the  
24 support of the other and that with the size of community assets to be awarded to each party,  
25 neither party should be awarded any alimony or support.

26 IX.

27 That each party should bear his and her own respective attorneys' fees, expert fees  
28 and costs in this matter.

1. That the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between DENNIS and GABRIELLE be dissolved, and that DENNIS be granted an absolute Decree of Divorce, and that the parties hereto be released from all the obligations thereof and restored to the status of single, unmarried persons;
2. That the Court make an equal division of the community property of the parties;
3. That the Court make an equitable distribution of the community debts and obligations of the parties;
4. That the Court confirm to each party his or her respective separate property;
5. That neither party be awarded alimony;
6. That each party be required to pay his and her attorneys' and expert witnesses reasonable sums as and for their fees for services rendered to DENNIS and GABRIELLE, respectively, herein, plus costs of suit; and
7. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in the premises.

JIMMERSON HANSEN, P.C.

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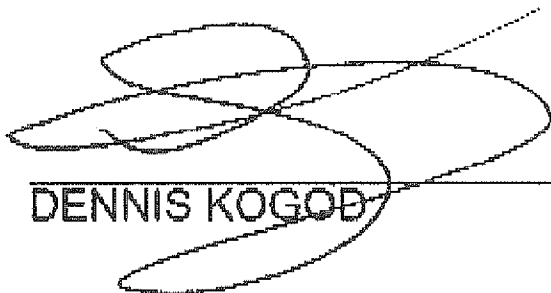


VERIFICATION/DECLARATION

DENNIS KOGOD, declares, states and says:

That he is the Defendant in the above-entitled action; that he has read the above and foregoing **ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE AND COUNTERCLAIM**, and knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowledge, except for those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes them to be true.

I swear under the penalty of perjury under the law of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

  
DENNIS KOGOD

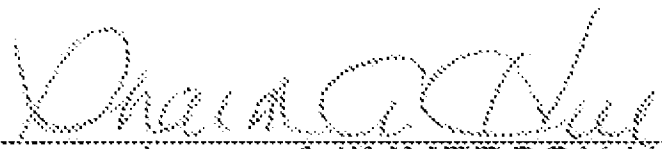
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of JIMMERSON HANSEN, P.C., and that on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014, I caused the foregoing document entitled **ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE AND COUNTERCLAIM** to be served as follows:

- ☒ pursuant to EDCR 8.05(a), EDCR 8.05(f), NRCP 5(b)(2)(D) and Administrative Order 14-2 captioned "In the Administrative Matter of Mandatory Electronic Service in the Eighth Judicial District Court," by mandatory electronic service through the Eighth Judicial District Court's electronic filing system;
- ☒ by placing same to be deposited for mailing in the United States Mail, in a sealed envelope upon which first class postage was prepaid in Las Vegas, Nevada;
- ☐ pursuant to EDCR 7.26, to be sent via facsimile, by duly executed consent for service by electronic means;
- ☐ by hand-delivery with signed Receipt of Copy.

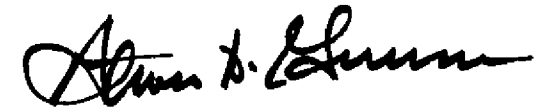
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# **EXHIBIT “3”**

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GABRIELLE ROSE CIOFFI-KOGOD, )

Plaintiff, )

v. )

DENNIS L. KOGOD, )

Defendant. )

CASE NO. D-13-489442-D

DEPT NO. Q

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF  
FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS  
OF LAW AND DECREE OF DIVORCE

TO: ALL PARTIES AND/OR THEIR ATTORNEYS

Please take notice that a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decree of Divorce has been entered in the above-entitled matter, a copy of which is attached hereto. I hereby certify that on the above file stamped date, I caused a copy of this Notice of Entry of Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decree of Divorce to be:

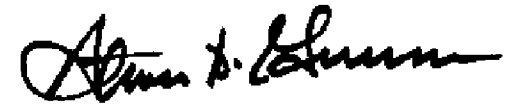
☒ E-Served pursuant to NEFCR 9 on, or placed in the folder(s) located in the Clerk's Office of, the following attorneys:

Radford Smith, Esq.

Daniel Marks, Esq.

/s/ Kimberly Weiss

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Plaintiff, )

v. )

DENNIS L. KOGOD, )

Defendant. )

CASE NO. D-13-489442-D

DEPT NO. Q

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS  
OF LAW AND DECREE OF DIVORCE

This matter came before this Court for trial on February 23, 2016, on Plaintiff's Complaint for Divorce (Dec. 13, 2013), Defendant's Answer to Complaint for Divorce and Counterclaim (Nov. 24, 2014), and Plaintiff's Reply to Counterclaim for Divorce (Dec. 5, 2014). Plaintiff, GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD (hereinafter referred to as "Gabrielle"), appeared personally, and by and through her attorneys, RADFORD J. SMITH, ESQ., and GARIMA VARSHNEY, ESQ. Defendant, DENNIS KOGOD (hereinafter referred to as "Dennis"), appeared personally and by and through his attorneys, DANIEL MARKS, ESQ., and NICOLE M. YOUNG, ESQ. The trial continued on February 24, 2016, February 25, 2016, February 26, 2016,<sup>1</sup> and May 4,

<sup>1</sup>Trial in this matter initially was scheduled to take place on February 23, 24, and 26, 2016. Both parties expressed that they needed additional time to present their respective cases. This Court added an additional full day of trial time (February 25, 2016) to accommodate their request. (Plaintiff's Closing Brief (Aug. 1, 2016) failed to reference the February 25,

☐ Disposed After Trial Start  
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☐ Dismissed - Want of Prosecution  
☐ Involuntary (Statutory) Dismissal  
☐ Default Judgment  
☐ Trial Dispositions:  
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☐ By ADR

RYCE C. DUCKWORTH  
DISTRICT JUDGE

FAMILY DIVISION, DEPT. O  
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89101

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2 2016.<sup>2</sup> An additional hearing was held on July 13, 2016, on Gabrielle's Motion to  
3 Compel Discovery, for Sanctions, Attorney's Fees and Costs (Jun. 21, 2016). At the  
4 Court's direction, closing arguments were submitted in writing. This Court has  
5 reviewed and considered Defendant's Closing Brief (Aug. 1, 2016) (hereinafter referred  
6 to as "Dennis' Brief") and Plaintiff's Closing Brief (Aug. 1, 2016) (hereinafter referred  
7 to as "Gabrielle's Brief"). This Court's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and  
8 Decree of Divorce (hereinafter referred to as "Decree") follow.  
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11 In evaluating the issues raised in the parties' pleadings, this Court had the  
12 opportunity to listen to and review the testimony of several witnesses and review  
13 extensive documentary evidence admitted into the record.<sup>3</sup> The witnesses included  
14 Dennis, Gabrielle, Jennifer A. Allen, CPA, CFE, Richard M. Teichner, CPA, ABV, CVA,  
15 MAFF, CFF, Cr.FA, FCPA, CGMA, CDFA, Joseph L. Leauanae, CPA, CITP, CFF, CFE,  
16 ABV, ASA, Mark Herman, Jennifer Bosco, and Veronica Garcia. This Court also has  
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20 2016 trial date.) Although both parties requested additional time, this Court found that the  
21 parties spent time during the trial in their respective examinations that was not helpful or that  
22 was superfluous to the essential facts needed to resolve the issues before the Court.

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24 <sup>2</sup>The May 4, 2016 evidentiary proceedings focused on the testimony of each party's  
25 respective real estate expert appraisers who offered testimony regarding the property located  
26 at 9716 Oak Pass Road, Beverly Hills, California.

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28 <sup>3</sup>At the July 13, 2016 hearing, Dennis expressed concern that this Court had already  
completed an initial draft of the Decree prior to the submission of closing briefs. As noted  
herein, this Court has reviewed and considered each party's brief in finalizing this Decree.  
Moreover, the trial record had already been established long before closing briefs were  
submitted. There was little benefit for this Court to wait five months after trial ended in  
February to begin preparation of the Decree. Further, contrary to the reference in Gabrielle's  
Brief, this Court did not review video "transcripts" of the trial or prior hearings. Rather, after  
outlining the entirety of the trial proceedings, this Court re-watched the entire video of the trial  
and the video of each pre-trial hearing before this Court.

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2 read and considered the deposition transcripts of Eugene Cioffi (Exhibit SSSS), and  
3 Stephanie Cioffi (Exhibit TTTT), as well as excerpts of the deposition transcripts of  
4 Nadyane Khapsalis Kogod (Exhibit 125),<sup>4</sup> Patricia Murphy (Exhibit 126), Mitchell  
5 Kogod (Exhibit 127), Marsha Kogod (Exhibit 128), Sheldon Kogod (Exhibit 129),  
6 Dana Kogod (Exhibit 130), and Jennifer Crute Steiner (Exhibit 131).<sup>5</sup> During trial,  
7 this Court had the opportunity to observe issues pertaining to the credibility and  
8 demeanor of each witness who testified in Court.  
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11 The issues before this Court include: (1) the division of assets and debts; (2)  
12 alimony to be paid by Dennis to Gabrielle; and (3) attorney's fees.<sup>6</sup> The division of  
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14 <sup>4</sup>Given her native tongue is Russian, Ms. Khapsalis Kogod was offered a Russian  
15 interpreter for her deposition, but she declined. The fact that English is not her native tongue  
is noticeable in the excerpts of her deposition testimony.

16 <sup>5</sup>The parties initially expressed their intention to read the deposition transcripts into the  
17 record. As the trier of fact, this Court is capable of reading deposition transcripts. (The  
18 reading of the deposition transcript by a third party would offer nothing to this Court with  
19 respect to the demeanor of the witness. This Court is able to perform the same reading.) Thus,  
20 this Court directed that those portions of the deposition transcripts upon which each party  
21 intended to rely be marked and introduced as exhibits. To preserve each party's right to object  
22 to specific deposition testimony, this Court established a protocol that allowed the parties to  
23 lodge specific objections regarding any questions asked during the depositions. This Court  
then ruled on those objections at the April 6, 2016 and May 4, 2016 hearings. Following these  
evidentiary rulings, this Court reviewed the testimony admitted into the record. Gabrielle  
stipulated to the admission of the entirety of Eugene Cioffi's deposition transcript and  
Stephanie Cioffi's deposition transcript. Thus, objections were limited to the excerpts of the  
deposition transcripts offered by Gabrielle and marked as Plaintiff's exhibits.

24 <sup>6</sup>Although the Court has reviewed Radford J. Smith, Chartered's Billing Statements  
25 (Exhibit 100), Marc Herman's Billing Statements (Exhibit 101), Anthem Forensic's Billing  
26 Statements (Exhibit 102), Clark Barthol's Billing Statements (Exhibit 103), Detail Fee, Costs  
27 and Payment Transaction File Lists from the Law Office of Daniel Marks (Exhibit QQQQ),  
28 and Billing Statements from Jimmerson Hansen, P.C. (Exhibit RRRR), the issue of attorneys'  
fees and costs is not addressed directly herein. The propriety of such an award may be  
addressed by post-adjudicatory papers filed with the Court. This Court notes, however, that  
neither party submitted an offer to allow entry of decree pursuant to NRS 125.141, despite  
repeated encouragement from the Court. This Court references in this Decree relevant findings

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2 assets and debts includes Gabrielle's request for an unequal division of assets based on  
3 Dennis' alleged waste and/or dissipation of community assets.

4 I. BACKGROUND FACTS<sup>7</sup>

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6 A. DENNIS AND GABRIELLE: PRE-NEVADA — *relative "marital bliss"*

7 Gabrielle and Dennis met in New York in 1990.<sup>8</sup> Prior to the parties meeting,  
8 Dennis had graduated from the University of Florida in 1981 with a baccalaureate  
9 degree in business administration. In approximately 1987, Dennis began working for  
10 Pilling selling surgical instruments. By 1989, he had been promoted to a regional sales  
11 manager position. Meanwhile, Gabrielle had established a successful background in  
12 sales and clinical nursing prior to the parties' marriage. Gabrielle obtained a Masters  
13 of Public Health and is a registered nurse and legal nurse consultant. See Exhibit 1.  
14 Gabrielle attained these credentials prior to meeting Dennis.  
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17 At the time they met, Dennis had no appreciable property. Gabrielle  
18 interviewed with Dennis for a position with Pilling. She was hired as a salesperson at  
19 Pilling shortly thereafter and the parties became romantically involved. Prior to their  
20 marriage, Dennis was transferred by Pilling to Florida. Gabrielle agreed to move to  
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24 pertaining to statutory claims for attorneys' fees. Nevertheless, although not ordered herein,  
25 this Court is persuaded that Gabrielle *should be* reimbursed the forensic accounting costs  
26 associated with her retention of Anthem Forensics for the work that Dennis had promised and  
27 was legally obligated to perform (as discussed throughout this Decree). NRS 18.005(5). See  
28 *Frazier v. Drake*, 131 Adv. Op. 64, 357 P.3d 365 (2015).

<sup>7</sup>The foregoing is a summary of the pertinent background facts based on the record before this Court.

<sup>8</sup>Although Dennis and Gabrielle both testified that they met in 1990, Gabrielle's Brief states that the parties met in 1989.



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2 Florida to join Dennis. Gabrielle and Dennis ultimately married on July 20, 1991 at  
3 the U.N. in New York City.

4 In November 1991, Gabrielle and Dennis moved from Florida to Pennsylvania  
5 as a result of Dennis' promotion to National Sales Director for Pilling. The parties  
6 purchased a home in Pennsylvania, with the down payment coming from Gabrielle's  
7 401(k). While in Pennsylvania, Gabrielle obtained employment with Osteopathic as  
8 a nurse recruiter and then worked as a clinical nurse manager. Dennis then became  
9 Vice President of Sales (and later Vice President of Sales and Marketing) at Pilling. As  
10 a result of this promotion, the parties moved to North Carolina. Dennis received no  
11 specialized training as a result of this promotion. On "aggregate," Dennis continued  
12 to travel between two to three days per week as a result of his employment  
13 responsibilities.<sup>9</sup> Gabrielle's job changed again when the parties moved to North  
14 Carolina, where she started her career at Kaiser. She then interviewed and was  
15 accepted at the North Carolina Board of Nursing.

16 In approximately 1992, Teleflex acquired the assets of Pilling and then Teleflex  
17 acquired Weck from Bristol-Myers, Squibb. In late 1995 or early 1996, Dennis  
18 became Vice President of Corporate Accounts and International for Teleflex. At that  
19 time, he no longer focused on sales. In this position, Dennis' travel would take him to  
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26 <sup>9</sup>In general, Dennis testified that he traveled an average of two to three days per week  
27 for the various companies he worked for during the marriage. As discussed below, however, his  
28 international travel increased with his employment at DaVita. Although he testified that  
certain positions required "more travel" than other positions, when asked the amount of weekly  
travel, the routine response was "two to three days per week" for any given employment  
position.

1 international locations which would require him to be gone a week to two weeks at a  
2 time. Once again, Dennis did not receive any specialized type of training for this  
3 position. The parties contemplated purchasing a home in New Hampshire and they  
4 even paid a deposit on a home. However, Dennis received an opportunity to pursue  
5 a more lucrative position with Gambro. Therefore, in July 2000, the parties jointly  
6 chose to follow Dennis' career opportunity with Gambro.  
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9 Gambro was a Swedish company, with its U.S. presence on the medical "service"  
10 side (unlike the medical "product" side with Teleflex) located in Lakewood, Colorado.  
11 Gambro's regional office was located in Elisa Viejo, California. The parties moved to  
12 California, where they purchased a home in Coto de Caza in Rancho Santa Margarita  
13 (and later purchased a second home in Coto de Caza). Dennis was hired at Gambro  
14 as President of the West Division, which was a newly created position. Dennis'  
15 training consisted of a week-long training at the company offices.  
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18 The parties' marital relationship during this period of time (i.e., between the  
19 time of marriage and their relocation to California) appeared to be relatively  
20 harmonious. Notwithstanding the amount of travel Dennis' career pursuits required,  
21 the parties routinely and regularly enjoyed holidays and special occasions together.  
22 Indeed, throughout the marriage, it was not uncommon or unusual for Dennis to be  
23 away from the marital home due to business travel. Such travel was commonplace and  
24 routine. In addition to holidays and special occasions, the parties seemed to enjoy the  
25 time they spent together. There is nothing in the record to suggest that their marital  
26 relationship suffered in any significant respect until after their move to California.  
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2 B. DENNIS AND GABRIELLE: NEVADA — *the irretrievable breakdown*  
3 *of their marriage*

4 The 2003-04 time-frame marked several significant events in Gabrielle and  
5 Dennis' marriage, including: (1) advancements in Dennis' career (and a concomitant  
6 dramatic ascent in earnings and marital wealth); (2) the purchase of the parties' Lake  
7 Las Vegas home (and Gabrielle's permanent relocation thereto); and (3) the beginning  
8 of Dennis' relationship with Nadyane Khapsalis Kogod (also known as Nadine Kievsky,  
9 Nadya Khapsalis, Nadezhda Khapsalis and Nadya Khapsalis Kievsky) (hereinafter  
10 referred to as "Nadya").<sup>10</sup>  
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13 (1) Dennis and DaVita

14 In 2004, Dennis' position at Gambro changed from Division President to the  
15 Co-Chief Operating Officer. More travel was required in this position than the division  
16 manager position. Dennis' travel typically entailed approximately three days per week  
17 (between January 2004 and October 2005). In November 2004, DaVita announced  
18 its acquisition of Gambro. Although Dennis entertained other employment  
19 opportunities after the acquisition was announced, he remained with DaVita. In this  
20 regard, DaVita was intent on having one of the senior team members (i.e., Dennis) stay  
21 with the company. Thus, in October 2005, Dennis began working for DaVita,  
22 overseeing the western operating group or region (as well as some additional  
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27 <sup>10</sup>Nadya's name on her birth certificate is Nadezhda Khapsalis, and her name on her  
28 passport is Nadine Khapsalis Kogod. Deposition 27: 22-24; 30: 9-11. In explaining her name  
change to Nadyane Khapsalis Kogod, Nadya testified that "I didn't want to be a Kievsky  
anymore, since my husband is Dennis Kogod was at that time." Deposition 26: 18-20.

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2 responsibilities). Although his duties were similar to his position with Gambro, it was  
3 on a larger scale due to the size of the company. Nevertheless, his travel requirements  
4 remained similar.

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6 Effective January 1, 2009, Dennis was promoted to Chief Operating Officer at  
7 DaVita, which he called a "job of a lifetime."<sup>11</sup> See Exhibits 92-98. His duties changed  
8 from overseeing the western division of the company to overseeing management of all  
9 divisions. Dennis' travel increased as a result of this promotion, including more  
10 international travel. (Although international travel had also been a part of his prior  
11 employment experience, in late 2010 Dennis began traveling more internationally.  
12 Again, Dennis' business travel and the associated physical separation of the parties on  
13 a temporary basis was customary throughout the marriage.) Dennis did not receive any  
14 specific training as a result of this promotion. Effective January 1, 2015, Dennis  
15 became President of Health Care Partners and the CEO of the international division  
16 of DaVita (Exhibit 98), which required even greater international travel.

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18 Although the parties' relocations throughout their marriage followed Dennis'  
19 career pursuits, the record confirms that both parties were in agreement with each  
20 relocation. Specifically, the parties mutually understood and agreed that it was  
21 financially advantageous to follow Dennis' career trajectory. Further, the parties  
22 believed that, with Gabrielle's background and training in the nursing field, she could  
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<sup>11</sup>Relative to the leadership at DaVita today, Dennis opined that it is rare for someone  
of his limited educational background to advance as he has. He noted that most of the  
individuals serving in upper management positions at DaVita have advanced degrees, and  
several of those individuals graduated from Ivy League schools.

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2 obtain employment wherever Dennis' career took them. Moreover, notwithstanding  
3 the differences in their formal educational backgrounds, Dennis' career path provided  
4 the parties with greater financial prosperity to an extraordinary degree.

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6 During the trial, Dennis testified in detail about his promotions and training at  
7 the companies for which he worked. Most of the training appeared to be internal  
8 training within each company or "on-the-job" training. Other than short training  
9 (including week-long) seminars, Dennis did not receive any formal education or career  
10 training during the parties' marriage. Nevertheless, throughout the marriage, Dennis  
11 obtained relatively broad-based experience in medical sales and marketing. Further, he  
12 acknowledged that his employment experience played a key role in "getting me to  
13 DaVita." His ability to remain with DaVita was something he "earned" through hard  
14 work and "getting results." The resulting increase in income and wealth associated  
15 with Dennis' employment with DaVita was dramatic as reflected in the parties' income  
16 tax returns and Dennis' compensation summaries discussed later in this Decree.

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19 (2) The Move to Nevada – *the beginning and the end*<sup>12</sup>  
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21 In 2003, the parties purchased their home at 28 Via Mira Monte, Lake Las  
22 Vegas, Nevada (hereinafter referred to as the "Lake Las Vegas" home or residence).  
23 Dennis suggested to Gabrielle that they move to Las Vegas, and he originally  
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<sup>12</sup>In a March 26, 2011 email, Dennis lamented to Gabrielle: "The house represents sad  
thoughts for me, when we moved I think we were already at that point in our relationship  
where we stopped sharing, stopped being intimate, so when I think about vegas [sic] it makes  
me a little sad, even though I created the vegas [sic] dynamic by making that impulsive decision  
to move there." Exhibit 23: BS 12171-72.

1 researched and found the home.<sup>13</sup> Nevertheless, the move to Las Vegas appeared to be  
2 a mutually agreed-upon decision. After arriving in Las Vegas in December 2003,  
3 Gabrielle began working for Sunrise Medical before moving to Dignity Health  
4 (formerly known as Catholic Healthcare West) shortly thereafter. She has remained  
5 at Dignity Health working as a certified legal nurse consultant. Exhibit OOO.  
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8 According to Dennis, the parties' relationship already had started to deteriorate  
9 in 2002, while they lived together in California. After Gabrielle relocated to Las Vegas,  
10 Nevada, the parties shared no intimacy. Gabrielle acknowledged that the parties  
11 shared no sexual intimacy after 2004. The lack of intimacy, however, did not change  
12 how Gabrielle felt about Dennis. Dennis continued to travel to Las Vegas (even after  
13 the start of his relationship with Nadya). Further, he continued to stay at the parties'  
14 Lake Las Vegas residence until June 2010. Dennis initially would spend weekend time  
15 in Las Vegas in what appeared to be varying degrees of frequency and regularity.<sup>14</sup>  
16 Until 2010, it was customary for the parties to speak with each other daily (and  
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21 <sup>13</sup>Whether Dennis intended to move to Nevada or actually did reside in Nevada is  
22 debatable. The move to Las Vegas appears to coincide generally with the establishment of  
23 Dennis' relationship with Nadya (although Dennis maintains that his relationship with Nadya  
24 began in November 2004, nearly a year after the purchase of the Lake Las Vegas residence).  
25 Gabrielle was at least led to believe that Nevada would be the place of the parties' marital  
26 domicile. During the first year after the purchase of the Lake Las Vegas residence, Dennis  
27 testified that he spent most weekends and a couple of days per week in Las Vegas. Further,  
28 Dennis offered in his Brief that "*the parties* moved to Lake Las Vegas." Dennis' Brief I. Thus,  
this Court finds that Las Vegas was the place of the parties' marital domicile as of 2003.  
Thereafter, and until June 2010, Dennis continued to spend weekend time in Las Vegas. After  
July 2010, however, Dennis did not enter the Lake Las Vegas home again.

<sup>14</sup>Both parties offered testimony about "typical" weekends together in Nevada that  
included details about their weekend traditions. These weekend traditions included routine  
stops at Metro Pizza and their respective golf games (together and apart).

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2 oftentimes multiple times each day). Nevertheless, Dennis maintained that the  
3 relationship was emotionally and physically distant, devoid of any intimacy, and  
4 broken. Between 2004 and 2010, the time spent together during holidays and special  
5 occasions became less regular and more infrequent. Yet, Dennis continued to tell  
6 Gabrielle that he loved her until approximately August 2013. Dennis explained that  
7 he still did (and does) love Gabrielle, but that he did not want to be married to her.  
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9 In March 2010, Dennis initiated divorce proceedings with the filing of a  
10 Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010) in Case No. D-10-426578-D. Gabrielle  
11 testified that Dennis told her that he found his attorney's name (James J. Jimmerson,  
12 Esq.) in a telephone book. Dennis testified that he did not pursue a divorce at that  
13 time because he was afraid Gabrielle would "go to DaVita" (suggesting that she would  
14 compromise his employment).<sup>15</sup> In July 2010, Gabrielle received a notice from the  
15 Court about the pending divorce action initiated by Dennis.<sup>16</sup> Dennis testified that,  
16 when Gabrielle received this notice, she was incredibly emotional. Nevertheless,  
17 Dennis admitted that Gabrielle never made a threat regarding his employment and that  
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23 <sup>15</sup>Notwithstanding the concerns expressed by Dennis about Gabrielle compromising his  
24 employment, his messages to her during this time included sensitive information about DaVita,  
25 including discussions about whether Dennis would stay with DaVita and information about  
26 a "Qui Tam" lawsuit. Exhibit 18: BS 12436. When asked why he would share this type of  
27 "inside information" with her if he truly was concerned about Gabrielle compromising his  
28 employment, Dennis answered that he had no explanation and could only speculate that it was  
because she was the only one he could talk to about it.

<sup>16</sup>Because Gabrielle was never served with the Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010),  
it is unclear what notice she received from the Court. The record in Case No. D-10-426578  
appears to suggest that a notice may have been generated by the court regarding the  
reassignment of the case from Department O to Department D.

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2 she never "used those words." Expressing feelings of remorse, Dennis declared to  
3 Gabrielle by text message:

4 I don't know what to say. There are no words to undo what I did. I  
5 think I need to take a few days and think long and hard about what I did  
6 and what am I [sic] doing because I honestly don't know. . . . I wish I  
7 could take this all back, I can't so rather th[a]n complicate things more  
8 I need some thinking time. . . . I never meant for this to happen. Never.  
9 I have been running from things so long and not dealing with them. I  
10 should have come to you to see what you thought about our marriage.  
11 Running to a lawyer was stupid. I have no idea what I was thinking  
12 about. All I remember was a sick feeling in my stomach after the visit  
13 knowing I had betrayed you. I asked for the process to just stop but it  
14 fell through the cracks. . . I owe you some answers and I think a little  
15 time away from home from work will force me to sit and think long  
16 enough and figure out what the hell I'm doing. . . I'm sorry and I do  
17 an[d] always will love you Gabrielle. As much as I am capable of loving  
18 another person I love you that much and my heart broke over what I did  
19 to you. . . I wish this day never happened. It has to be one of the wors[t]  
20 days of your life and you do not deserve that at all. You deserve a better  
21 life th[a]n I have given you the past 5 years. I won't ask for your  
22 forgiveness.

23 Exhibit 25.

24 Dennis assured Gabrielle that the divorce action would be dismissed. Although  
25 it does not appear that Dennis took any action himself to seek the dismissal of the  
26 Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010), the Court *sua sponte* dismissed the case by way  
27 of Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice (Feb. 18, 2011). Dennis reflected on his lack  
28 of "courage" to follow-through with the divorce at the time, stating that he took the  
"chicken way out." He also admitted that he made a multitude of excuses or  
rationalizations about the cause of the deterioration of their relationship. At one point,

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2 Dennis told Gabrielle that he had questions about his sexual orientation.<sup>17</sup> Dennis'  
3 strategy was to persuade Gabrielle to recognize on her own that their relationship was  
4 over, even to the point of engaging in marriage counseling under the false pretense of  
5 working on their relationship. Specifically, Dennis testified that:

7 I actually used that [counseling] as a way of getting Gabrielle to come to  
8 the conclusion on her own that we had a marriage that was broken. I was  
9 having a hard time saying the words to her that I wanted a divorce. And  
10 I was hoping that through counseling and not returning to the marital  
11 house any time after that one day, and telling her I had questions of my  
sexuality, that she would conclude this was a broken marriage and would  
make the decision to divorce.

12 February 24, 2016 Video: 14:33.

13 Dennis summarized that he pursued counseling for three primary purposes: (1)  
14 he believed that counseling would be beneficial for Gabrielle; (2) he desired to have a  
15 trained professional help Gabrielle understand that the marriage was irreconcilable, and  
16 thus to encourage Gabrielle to make the decision to pursue a divorce;<sup>18</sup> and (3) he  
17 wanted to avoid any "scandals" arising at work. Dennis admitted that he deceived  
18 Gabrielle for years. Gabrielle at times expressed happiness to see progress in their  
19 counseling, unaware that the counseling was a complete rouse. Dennis made promises  
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23 <sup>17</sup>Dennis also fabricated a story about being admitted into a residential treatment center.  
24 He sent Gabrielle text messages wherein he claimed that he was at an Oregon residential  
treatment center where he was diagnosed with sleep apnea. None of this was true and Dennis  
admitted as much. See Exhibit 20: BS 12244 – 12248.

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26 <sup>18</sup>Rather than working to repair their marriage, Dennis sought to have Dr. Michelle  
27 Gravely recognize that the marriage was broken and to have Dr. Gravely convince Gabrielle to  
28 pursue a divorce. In a March 9, 2011 email, Dennis discussed setting goals for their  
relationship and getting back together. His goal was to stay in counseling long enough so that  
Dr. Gravely could help Gabrielle see the inevitability of divorce. Dennis truthfully had no  
intention of following through on these goals. He saw the marriage as broken and it was not  
going to be fixed. February 24, 2016 Video: 14:59.

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2 in email communications to return home. Exhibit 19: BS 12529, 12534. At one point,  
3 he told her: "I'm not stalling hoping I force you into asking for a divorce. I'm certain  
4 of that." At trial, however, he admitted the contrary – that he indeed desired to  
5 convince her to pursue a divorce all along.  
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7 There were occasions when Gabrielle also made statements in emails to Dennis  
8 that suggest that she also perceived that the marriage was failing, such as: "you're  
9 living a separate life," and "I don't know who you are." Exhibit 23: BS12151; 12174.  
10 Indeed, there were several examples of terse email and text exchanges between the  
11 parties dating back to 2010, many of which emanated from Gabrielle.<sup>19</sup> See e.g.,  
12 Exhibit 18.  
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14 In summary, it appears uncontroverted that, after 2010, the parties did not share  
15 any holidays or special occasions together. Further, after filing the prior Complaint for  
16 Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010), Dennis did not physically do anything to get back together  
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20 <sup>19</sup>That Gabrielle felt and expressed frustration and hopelessness about their relationship  
is exemplified by 2011 communications when she declared:

21 Are you trying to get me to the point where I throw my hands up and walk  
22 away? Only you know that for sure – I can only tell you how it feels. But as  
23 I've said before, I think we're worth more than that – I'm worth more than that.

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25 [I]t's hard for me to imagine you can be such a high power decision maker, and  
26 deal with the interpersonal issues you've described over these last months, and  
27 yet keep doing what you're doing with us and not seeing ahead to the outcomes.  
28 Or are you continuing to set this up to fail, setting me up to get so disgusted  
that I walk away from it so you don't have to do it first, like you tried to last  
year but felt "sick to your stomach"?

Exhibit 23 (emails dated March 26, 2011 and March 13, 2011).

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2 with Gabrielle and their relationship was devoid of any physical intimacy. Moreover,  
3 communications were almost exclusively limited to email and text messages after that  
4 time. The record demonstrates that Dennis perceived that the relationship was broken  
5 much earlier than 2010. However, Gabrielle did not share that same perception. Up  
6 until that time, the parties continued to share time together and affectionately  
7 communicated with each other on a regular and routine basis. Nevertheless, the record  
8 supports a finding that the irretrievable breakdown of the parties' marriage began with  
9 Dennis' affair with Nadya in 2004 and continued through the initiation and pendency  
10 of these proceedings. Indeed, the maintenance of a secret affair in this case is  
11 fundamentally irreconcilable with a harmonious marital relationship.  
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14 Dennis offered that there was no financial benefit overall to him to remain  
15 married. Following the purchase of the Lake Las Vegas residence in 2003, their  
16 relationship became more geographically and emotionally distant. At that time, Dennis  
17 estimated the parties' net worth to be \$750,000. In 2010, he estimated that their net  
18 worth had increased to \$4,000,000.<sup>20</sup> At the time of the divorce in 2016, the parties'  
19 net worth appears to exceed \$40,000,000. Dennis referred to this delay as the cost of  
20 his inability to have a "tough conversation" with Gabrielle about divorce. Although the  
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26 <sup>20</sup>Considering the stock options he had received at DaVita, the parties' net worth in  
27 2010 appears to be more than \$4,000,000. In fact, in a November 23, 2010 email, Dennis  
28 referenced his receipt of 1,000,000 stock options with an anticipated \$18,000,000 in profit  
over the next few years. Exhibit 23. Even had Dennis pursued the prior divorce action, he had  
not served the Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010) as of July 2010. Thus, it is highly  
unlikely that the divorce would have been finalized prior to 2011.

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2 timing of their incompatibility may be in dispute, it is uncontroverted at this time that  
3 the parties are incompatible in marriage and there is no possibility of reconciliation.

4 (3) Nadya — *Honest Deceit*

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6 During trial, Dennis appeared to candidly discuss his relationship with Nadya,  
7 which, in and of itself, is seemingly oxymoronic. Dennis testified that he met Nadya  
8 in November 2004. Nadya did not own any assets of material value at the time that  
9 they met.<sup>21</sup> By way of a green card, she worked as a hostess at a restaurant. Since at  
10 least June 2005, however, Nadya earned no income and did not contribute financially  
11 to her personal expenses. Instead, Dennis paid for her food, clothing (shopping at  
12 various stores), cars (the first car being a Porsche<sup>22</sup> according to Nadya), a maid, spa  
13 services, a nanny (who was paid approximately \$400 per week), all household and  
14 maintenance expenses, and additional spending money (generally \$400 in cash each  
15 week and an additional \$700 to \$800 by check each week). Dennis also paid for  
16 Nadya to take college classes (paying approximately \$7,000), for an investment in Moe  
17 LLC ("he would trying to help me to get in the business with those people, and it  
18 didn't work"), payment of Nadya's dental and medical expenses (including cosmetic  
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24 <sup>21</sup>Nadya recalled in her deposition that she had money in savings of approximately  
25 \$20,000. Deposition 71:5. However, she added that at least a portion of this money was sent  
to her mother. Deposition 76:13.

26 <sup>22</sup>According to Nadya, her vehicles included a 2015 Bentley GTC, BMW X5, GL  
27 Mercedes SUV, and a Cadillac SRX. Although Dennis testified that he routinely owned  
28 multiple vehicles at any given time (and it does not appear that Nadya was the registered owner  
of the aforementioned vehicles), the credible evidence supports a finding that certain vehicles  
were intended primarily for Nadya's use and benefit. Whether Dennis drove any of these  
vehicles does not change the finding that these expenditures were for Nadya's benefit.

1 surgery), money sent to Nadya's family in the Ukraine, and all travel expenses.<sup>23</sup>  
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3 Initially, Nadya used a credit card in Dennis' name to pay her expenses. Dennis later  
4 gave Nadya her own credit and debit cards to use for her expenses.<sup>24</sup> When Nadya and  
5 Dennis were together, however, Dennis would pay all expenses on his cards. In short,  
6 Nadya relied *entirely* on Dennis for her *entire* support.<sup>25</sup> According to Nadya, Dennis  
7 promised to take care of her for the rest of her life.<sup>26</sup> Deposition: 145:15-22.  
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9 At the beginning of his relationship with Nadya, Dennis testified that he did not  
10 disclose to Nadya that he was married. In fact, Dennis and Nadya traveled to Cancun,  
11 Mexico, where they participated in a "civil ceremony" on June 3, 2005 on the beach  
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15 <sup>23</sup>Nadya enjoyed trips to Las Vegas, San Francisco, New York, Arizona, Paris,  
16 Amsterdam, Spain, Portugal, Laguna Beach, Palm Springs, Newport Beach and San Diego. In  
17 addition to paying all travel expenses, Dennis would give Nadya "like \$1,000 for shopping."  
18 Deposition: 167:5.

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20 <sup>24</sup>With the exception of one occasion when Nadya gave her credit card to the nanny to  
21 purchase groceries, Nadya testified that all charges on her credit card were her charges.  
22 Deposition: 130:3-15.

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24 <sup>25</sup>Nadya testified that she stopped filing income tax returns "when Dennis start  
25 completely take care of me, so I stopped because he was taking care of us." Deposition: 33:7-9.

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27 <sup>26</sup>As Dennis' income began to skyrocket, he opened an investment account at UBS.  
28 Until recently, Gabrielle was not named on his UBS financial accounts (where his bonus  
income and stock option income were deposited). Dennis admitted that, at least in part, he  
did not want Gabrielle to see these accounts because he did not want her to become aware of  
the money he was spending on Nadya and his children. Thus, Dennis deposited his regular  
paychecks into the parties' joint Bank of America account (no. 6446), but deposited his  
bonuses into his UBS account. Although Dennis now argues that there "is no evidence that  
Dennis tried to hide any asset from Gabrielle in an attempt to change the amount of money  
that Gabrielle is entitled to" (Dennis' Brief 16), the record reflects that he actively concealed  
the existence of the UBS account from Gabrielle. The record also reflects that he actively  
concealed the existence of other assets (including real property and a yacht) to the point of  
titling assets in the name of family members. Although these assets are indeed now known and  
subject to division, Dennis actively concealed the existence of assets until after this litigation  
was initiated.

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2 that at least appeared to have marriage overtones.<sup>27</sup> Although he could not recall when,  
3 Dennis maintained that at some point in time he told Nadya that he was married.  
4 Nadya testified that Dennis "confessed" to her that he was married to Gabrielle  
5 approximately "a month after we [Dennis and Nadya] get married." Deposition:  
6 14:20-15:18.  
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8 In approximately June 2005, Dennis moved Nadya into the 1809 Overland  
9 Avenue condominium that he owned. In so doing, he acknowledged that he  
10 misrepresented to Gabrielle that a colleague at DaVita owned the property, and that  
11 he was living with the son of the property owner. During his testimony, Dennis  
12 apologized for his deceit.<sup>28</sup> He concealed his relationship out of concern that someone  
13 at DaVita would find out about it. Notwithstanding these alleged concerns, Dennis  
14 continued to have his assistant at DaVita (Pat Murphy), book travel for Nadya and  
15 Dennis. In June 2013, Dennis purchased the residence and real property located at  
16 9716 Oak Pass Road, Beverly Hills, California (hereinafter referred to as the "Oak Pass  
17 property") for Nadya and his children.  
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23 <sup>27</sup>Dennis was adamant that the ceremony was not a "legal" marriage because he and  
24 Nadya had not procured an appropriate license or submitted to the procedures required for a  
25 marriage in Mexico (*not to mention that he was already married*). As noted previously, however,  
Nadya routinely uses the last name Kogod on government documents such as her passport and  
she regularly refers to Dennis as her "husband."

26 <sup>28</sup>Dennis similarly started a narrative with Gabrielle about his subsequent purchase of  
27 the Edinburgh property from someone involved in the "Russian Mafia." Thus, when Gabrielle  
28 discovered bank statements containing references to "Nadya," the explanation fit perfectly with  
the "Russian Mafia" narrative and did not create any immediate suspicions by Gabrielle. In  
reality, the Edinburgh home was purchased in 2010 for Dennis, Nadya and his children.  
Dennis had told Gabrielle that he was living in Denver, Colorado at the time.

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2           Unbeknownst to Gabrielle at the time, Dennis fathered twin daughters (Denise  
3 and Nika) with Nadya. His twin daughters were born on December 28, 2007.<sup>29</sup> The  
4 conception and resulting birth of Dennis' children was no accident. Dennis and Nadya  
5 were intent on having children even to the point of pursuing *in vitro* fertilization. The  
6 cost of *in vitro* fertilization was \$13,000 per procedure. Dennis initially testified that  
7 he could not recall how many procedures he and Nadya pursued, but he later testified  
8 that he believed it was two occasions. Dennis was present for the birth of his and  
9 Nadya's twin daughters, after which he traveled to Brooklyn, New York, to celebrate  
10 the holidays with Gabrielle. Dennis concealed the birth of his children from both  
11 Gabrielle and his co-workers at DaVita. In fact, because his co-workers knew that he  
12 and Gabrielle did not have minor children together, Dennis told his co-workers that his  
13 twin daughters were actually grandchildren that he had adopted.

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17           Dennis also paid for himself and Nadya to participate in counseling to work on  
18 issues in their relationship. They separated in approximately January or February  
19 2015. Nadya and his children continue to reside in the Oak Pass property. Nadya  
20 attributed their separation to Dennis' affair with another woman, Jennifer Crute  
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23           <sup>29</sup>The parties dispute when Gabrielle had actual knowledge of the existence of Dennis'  
24 twin daughters. As discussed later in this Decree, Gabrielle claimed that she learned of Dennis'  
25 children at the Case Management Conference on February 3, 2015. Dennis offered that  
26 Gabrielle knew (or at least should have known) in 2014. In support of his claim, Dennis cited  
27 a September 2014 email from Gabrielle's former counsel referencing a 2013 DaVita awards  
28 dinner in which Dennis discussed the challenges of having small children. According to  
Dennis, the email from Gabrielle's counsel stated: "I always suspected there was another  
family. Now we have proof." Although it appears that Gabrielle should have known about  
Dennis' children, it does not appear to be disputed that Dennis did not personally provide  
Gabrielle with this information (or this admission) until the aforementioned Case Management  
Conference on February 3, 2015.

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2 Steiner ("Jennifer"). "I was trying to save family and try to accept that fact, but sorry  
3 I didn't grab more money, and so I didn't to go through what Gabriella was going  
4 through." Deposition: 57: 5-8. Ironically, Nadya personally met Jennifer when Nadya  
5 showed up at a counselor's office where Dennis was engaged in counseling with Jennifer  
6 to work on their (Dennis and Jennifer's) relationship.  
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8 (4) Jennifer – *the other "other" woman*  
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10 During his extra-marital relationship with Nadya, Dennis started an extra-  
11 marital relationship with Jennifer. Dennis first met Jennifer when she interviewed with  
12 him for a position at DaVita. Their intimate relationship did not begin, however, until  
13 September 19, 2014, after Jennifer had left DaVita. As with his alleged concerns  
14 regarding any revelation of his relationship with Nadya, Dennis alleged that he worried  
15 about the exposure of his relationship with Jennifer in regards to how it might impact  
16 his employment. Dennis also testified that Jennifer was concerned about her husband  
17 and her children learning of her relationship with Dennis.  
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19 Dennis sought to prevent, or at least limit, Jennifer's exposure to a deposition  
20 in this matter. He filed his Motion to Stay Service of Subpoena Duces Tecum and  
21 Notice of Deposition and for a Protective Order Prohibiting or Limiting the Deposition  
22 of Jennifer Crute Steiner (Jun. 11, 2015). Therein, Dennis represented to the Court  
23 that Jennifer threatened to "report her relationship with Dennis to his superiors and  
24 seek to have him terminated . . . if she is subpoenaed for deposition." Affidavit of  
25 James J. Jimmerson, Esq., ¶ 15. Further, Dennis submitted that "the potential  
26 deposition testimony of Jennifer could result in loss of her employment" and "Jennifer's  
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2 emotional response during her deposition could present a harm [to] Dennis.” *Id.*, ¶ 16.

3 Finally, Dennis alleged that:

4 If Jennifer’s family, including her husband, were to become aware of this  
5 relationship, by way of the service of the Notice of Deposition and  
6 Subpoena upon Jennifer, it would have a disastrous effect on her marriage  
7 and her minor children. . . . That service of the same could have a  
8 catastrophic effect on Dennis’ gainful employment, which has provided  
9 not only Dennis, but also Gabrielle, with the above-average lifestyle to  
10 which they have become accustomed. . . . [S]ervice of the Notice of  
11 Deposition and Subpoena Duces Tecum upon Jennifer could destroy her  
marriage and devastate her minor children, as well as causing Dennis to  
be terminated from his employment, which would prove to be an  
unnecessary and undue burden for all parties.

12 *Id.* ¶¶ 18 – 20. Notwithstanding Dennis’ representations<sup>30</sup> to the contrary (in an effort  
13 to prevent the deposition from taking place), Jennifer denied ever telling Dennis that  
14 a deposition would compromise her employment. Further, Jennifer denied that she  
15 expressed any concerns about her husband learning of their relationship. Finally,  
16 Jennifer denied that she threatened Dennis’ employment with DaVita over the prospect  
17 of her deposition being taken. Instead, Jennifer simply expressed to Dennis that she  
18 was not interested in having her deposition taken. Thus, Dennis went to work to  
19 create a narrative to prevent Jennifer’s deposition.<sup>31</sup> Ultimately, Dennis’ request to  
20 prevent or to limit the deposition was denied, but a protocol was arranged to minimize  
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24 <sup>30</sup>Dennis did not personally sign an Affidavit in support of his Motion to Stay Service  
25 of Subpoena Duces Tecum and Notice of Deposition and for a Protective Order Prohibiting  
26 or Limiting the Deposition of Jennifer Crute Steiner (Jun. 11, 2015). Instead, the Motion was  
supported by an Affidavit signed by counsel on his behalf.

27 <sup>31</sup>Although her testimony was in deposition form, Jennifer’s testimony appeared to be  
28 credible. To be clear, Jennifer did not testify as a “bitter ex-girlfriend.” Rather, she  
acknowledged in her deposition that she still saw a future in her relationship with Dennis. In  
fact, they had spent time together during the week prior to her deposition and she and Dennis  
have had ongoing discussions about a possible engagement.

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2 Jennifer's exposure to any potential embarrassment (which did not appear to be a  
3 concern to Jennifer at any level).

4 Jennifer and Dennis frequently traveled together and, although Dennis did not  
5 gift her any money, he paid for the expenses associated with their trips. Their travel  
6 included trips on the DaVita jet, a luxury Gabrielle never enjoyed. Jennifer also  
7 testified about her understanding that Dennis had a ring made for her (intended as an  
8 engagement ring), but that he had not given it to her. Finally, Dennis also paid for  
9 Jennifer's legal fees associated with her deposition.  
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#### 12 (5) Summary of the Irretrievable Breakdown

13 Overall, it appears that, beginning in 2003, with Gabrielle tucked away at a  
14 relatively safe distance in Nevada, Dennis orchestrated a calculated plan to deceive and  
15 emotionally manipulate Gabrielle. As previously noted, it appears that the parties'  
16 marriage went through an irretrievable or irreconcilable breakdown beginning in 2004  
17 with the initiation of his secret affair with Nadya. Although Gabrielle may have  
18 sincerely believed that their relationship was not broken, Dennis' actions support a  
19 finding that their marriage was undergoing an irretrievable breakdown with the  
20 maintenance of his affair. As noted previously, Dennis' expenditure of community  
21 funds on a girlfriend and children of his affair were irreconcilable with the maintenance  
22 of the marital relationship.  
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## 26 II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

27 On December 13, 2013, Gabrielle filed her Complaint for Divorce. Nearly one  
28 year later, Dennis filed his Answer to Complaint for Divorce and Counterclaim (Nov.

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2 24, 2014), which was followed by Plaintiff's Reply to Counterclaim for Divorce (Dec.  
3 5, 2014). After receiving this case by way of Notice of Department Reassignment  
4 (Dec. 19, 2014),<sup>32</sup> this Court issued its Order Setting NRCP 16.2 Case Management  
5 Conference (Jan. 2, 2015). The Case Management Conference was scheduled for  
6 February 3, 2015, which was the first hearing held in this matter. Including the Case  
7 Management Conference, nine hearings were held before this Court *prior* to the  
8 commencement of trial.<sup>33</sup> Including the July 13, 2016 hearing, six additional hearings  
9 (comprised primarily of evidentiary hearings) have been held.  
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12 The hearings leading up to trial are summarized as follows:

13 (1) Case Management Conference on February 3, 2015:

14 At the initial Case Management Conference, Dennis<sup>34</sup> offered the following with  
15 respect to his approach to the case:  
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17 Dennis fathered two children, twins, during this marriage with another  
18 woman and had maintained essentially a separate life that had not been  
19 disclosed to Mrs. Kogod until approximately May of last year, give or  
20 take. She may have known before, but I'm saying in terms of what we

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21 <sup>32</sup>At the time this matter was filed in 2013, the case was originally assigned to  
22 Department C of the Eighth Judicial District Court. The matter was reassigned to Department  
23 G by way of a peremptory challenge. A second peremptory challenge led to the assignment of  
24 this matter to this Department. As is not uncommon in cases in which a peremptory challenge  
is filed, multiple hearings were held and significant time was spent adjudicating the issues.  
Such cases tend to be more complex and time consuming.

25 <sup>33</sup>Hearings *before this Court* were held on the following dates: February 3, 2015, March  
26 17, 2015, May 4, 2015, June 1, 2015, July 21, 2015, September 8, 2015, October 14, 2015,  
27 November 18, 2015, and February 17, 2016. Additional hearings were held before the  
Discovery Commissioner.

28 <sup>34</sup>This Court recognizes that Dennis was represented by different counsel at the initial  
four hearings. Regardless, his counsel of record at the time is his mouthpiece to the Court (as  
is Gabrielle's counsel).

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2 understand she knew. There is, therefore, going to be a claim for waste as  
3 an issue. . . . *We're going to take that issue away from her by providing an*  
4 *accounting, an estimate and an offer that will be more than the dollars*  
5 *spent, so that one-half of which will be awarded to Mrs. Kogod to at least*  
6 *remove the financial sting or insult of Dennis having this relationship.*  
Dennis is embarrassed by this certainly but he is not embarrassed about  
having two wonderful children, age seven.<sup>35</sup>

7 February 3, 2015 Video: 11:05 (emphasis added).

8 Although Gabrielle acknowledged that she suspected the existence of another  
9 family, she responded:

10 Mrs. Kogod didn't know about the fathering of two children until about  
11 30 seconds ago. . . . Though she suspected it because there were  
12 statements about it and there were things online about it, but that's when  
13 she found out or it was confirmed to her. Mr. Kogod never did that.

14 *Id.* at 11:09.

15 Both parties requested that this Court hold monthly status hearings on the case  
16 to keep the matter on track. This Court noted that it did not need to "wade" into the  
17 issue of when Gabrielle actually learned about Dennis' children. Although Dennis'  
18 expenditures on his separate family are an issue from an economic standpoint, this  
19 Court did not want the alleged shock of this information to interfere with the ability  
20 of the parties to evaluate the "numbers" associated with the division of assets and the  
21 issue of alimony.  
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27 <sup>35</sup>Dennis' proclamation that he was "going to take that issue away from her by providing  
28 an accounting, an estimate, and an offer that will be more than the dollars spent" *may* have  
been conveyed as a moral obligation he owed to Gabrielle. As discussed herein, Dennis'  
responsibility to provide such an accounting was his legal obligation.

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2 (2) Continued Case Management Conference on March 17, 2015

3 Dennis reiterated that, on the issue of any community waste, he was in the  
4 "process of providing a detailed schedule of that and then we're going to make an offer  
5 to resolve that and take that issue off the table." March 17, 2015 Video: 11:34.  
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7 Dennis Kogod is certainly, while errant in his behavior, also decent  
8 enough to say that *I'm pleased to make the appropriate recompense to at*  
9 *least financially assuage the insult that he has caused his wife for which*  
*he is apologetic and remorseful.*

10 *Id.* at 11:47 (emphasis added).

11 (3) Continued Case Management Conference on May 4, 2015

12 This Court reviewed the parties' complex litigation plans. Once again, both  
13 parties requested periodic hearings to monitor the progress of the case. Trial dates were  
14 scheduled, but Gabrielle requested that the trial be continued. This Court invited the  
15 involvement of experts at the periodic status hearings for the Court to gain an  
16 appreciation of where the parties were at and what issues remained outstanding. This  
17 Court noted:  
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20 A lot of this boils down to calculations and numbers. There may be  
21 perhaps some disagreements and I have to make the call in terms of a  
22 legal and factual determination as to whether or not something is  
23 construed as waste . . . To touch on that issue a bit, I know there was  
24 some discussion, you know, how you could construe money being spent  
25 on children as waste. Sounds like a misnomer. The bottom line for me  
26 is if there was money that was taken from the community, half of which  
belonged to the Plaintiff and used for a purpose that effectively did not  
benefit the marital community, that should be recaptured. But it is  
inherently a matter of calculating what that number is.

27 May 4, 2015 Video: 9:25.  
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2 Gabrielle identified a forensic accounting expert. Despite Dennis' assurances  
3 that he was going to take the lead on determining the amount of monies diverted from  
4 the marital community, Dennis had not yet designated an accounting expert. Dennis  
5 indicated that he was not certain that an expert would be necessary.  
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7 This Court again noted its desire to diffuse the emotion of the case and  
8 reiterated that the case becomes essentially a "numbers game." It was clear to the  
9 Court that a forensic accounting would be beneficial to the Court. Although the  
10 existing law removed consideration of the "merits" of the parties, this Court did have  
11 the statutory authority to analyze and consider the money that was diverted from the  
12 marital community as part of the division of assets pursuant to NRS 125.150.  
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14 (4) Status Hearing on June 1, 2015  
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16 Dennis notified the Court that he was selling his yacht for \$1,050,000, less the  
17 commission. He also stated that he was buying a condominium in California for  
18 \$3,000,000. He also informed the Court that he was selling the Oak Pass property.  
19 This Court again reiterated that money spent on children that were born of his secret  
20 affair would be considered waste. At the same time, this Court noted that it did not  
21 intend to scrutinize "lifestyle" issues (i.e., comparing the parties' spending practices)  
22 and that the Court was not inclined to micro-manage the spending of the parties. This  
23 Court offered:  
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26 I just want to be clear that . . . the time we spend at trial should really be  
27 confined to any disputes regarding those specific items that the parties do  
28 not [agree] constitutes [sic] dissipation or waste or spending money on  
this other relationship and these other children.

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3 What I envision seeing is ultimately a . . . there are probably going to be  
4 certain items that are stipulated to. Mr. Kogod through Mr. Jimmerson  
5 has already represented that. That there's going to be an amount that is  
6 essentially paid to the Plaintiff to reimburse for amounts spent on  
7 children not of this marriage and on the girlfriend.

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9 The case law suggests that in doing so you look at when the marriage  
10 became irretrievably broken. This is a unique situation where the  
11 Plaintiff indicated some degree of surprise in learning about the  
12 relationship and even the existence of two children.

13 June 1, 2015 Video: 11:29, 11:37, and 11:40.

14 Despite claiming that Gabrielle was on a "fishing expedition," Dennis still had  
15 not retained a forensic accounting expert. Although Dennis had not retained an expert,  
16 this Court noted that it anticipated he would do so. This Court also anticipated seeing  
17 a "narrowed-down list" of expenditures in dispute. For the first time, this Court  
18 referenced the ability of either party to make an offer to allow entry of decree of  
19 divorce pursuant to NRS 125.141.

20 Dennis argued that there should be limits to the forensic accounting  
21 investigative excursion. In response, *and with the understanding and expectation that Dennis*  
22 *would pursue an accounting as he had promised*, this Court stated:  
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24 I would not put that burden on the Defendant to answer that type of an  
25 interrogatory. That's not what I'm anticipating though. I expect, like I  
26 said, a refined list of . . . and I don't even see it being, you know, "What  
27 did you spend this \$150 or 500," that's not what we're getting into.

28 June 1, 2015 Video: 11:53.

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2 Gabrielle offered:

3 There might be a category of expenses if there's anything like that, but I  
4 even doubt that. Usually what we do in these cases, and again this is  
5 something that we've done many times, is we set an amount that's  
6 significant based on the financial resources of the parties. That's the type  
7 of list you're going to get.

8 *Id.*

9 In an effort to avoid spending time on every "nickel and dime" of the parties, but  
10 still under the impression that Dennis would do what he had originally promised (and  
11 was legally obligated) to do, this Court discussed the establishment of a "baseline"  
12 amount for forensic accounting purposes. In discussing such a "baseline" of  
13 expenditures, Gabrielle suggested that it was \$5,000, but clarified that there might be  
14 a "series of expenditures that are less than that" that Gabrielle was "developing." *Id.*  
15 at 11:54. Contrary to Dennis' claim, this Court did not indicate "that it was only  
16 concerned with expenditures in excess of \$5,000.00 per transaction." (Dennis' Brief 14)  
17 Nevertheless, this Court did express concern about scrutinizing every "nickel and  
18 dime." Further, these discussions were premised on the understanding that Dennis  
19 would be providing a thorough accounting as he had promised to do. This Court also  
20 drew a distinction between expenditures on Dennis' girlfriend(s) and children versus  
21 Dennis' family members. To this end, this Court directed that the analysis of  
22 expenditures should be separated by category between his girlfriend(s) and children and  
23 other family members.  
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2 (5) Status Hearing on July 21, 2015

3 Dennis argued that this Court should not lose sight of the overall size of the  
4 marital estate. Dennis pointed out that he believed that the amount of money spent  
5 on his girlfriend and children was a relatively small amount in comparison to the total  
6 value of the marital estate. Dennis still had not designated a forensic accounting  
7 expert. This Court again reiterated its philosophical distinction between expenditures  
8 on Dennis' girlfriend(s) as opposed to expenditures on other family members. Again  
9 encouraging the parties to utilize the ability to make an offer to allow entry of decree,  
10 this Court stated:  
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13 I think something for both sides to consider at some point . . .  
14 understanding the scope of the community estate that we're dealing with  
15 . . . it may behoove both sides to start making offers to allow entry of  
16 decree, offers of judgment if you will. . . I would expect with the counsel  
17 that are representing both clients that you're going to be making those  
18 offers.

19 July 21, 2015 Video: 11:35.

20 (6) Status Hearing on September 9, 2015

21 The parties stated that they had reached a stipulated settlement on the sale of  
22 the yacht. This Court also learned that Nadya might be pursuing support from Dennis  
23 in a legal action initiated in California. This Court once again inquired about whether  
24 there had been any offers to allow entry of decree. Neither party had made such an  
25 offer. This Court noted that it looked forward to "getting numbers" and to the parties  
26 exchanging the offers that this Court had now repeatedly encouraged.  
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2 (7) Status Hearing on October 14, 2015, and hearing on Dennis' Motion for  
3 an Order to Show Cause to Hold Gabrielle Cioffi-Kogod in Contempt for  
4 Failure to Comply with the Discovery Commissioners Recommendation  
5 Regarding Service of Jennifer Curte Steiner and for Attorney's Fees and  
6 Costs (Sep. 14, 2015)

7 At the parties' request, this Court rescheduled the trial from December 2015 to  
8 February 2016. Again, this Court inquired about whether any offers to allow entry of  
9 decree had been exchanged. Dennis responded that he was not yet in a position to  
10 make such an offer. This Court expressed that it behooved Dennis to make such an  
11 offer, noting that Dennis was in the best possible position to know what that number  
12 should be. The following exchange then took place:

13 The Court: In a case that is now two years old almost, I go back to  
14 what I said earlier: Mr. Kogod's a businessman, very  
15 successful and that's why I think at some point he's gotta  
16 be the one to make an offer to the Plaintiff.

17 Mr. Marks: Okay, that's fine, it would be very unusual in civil normal  
18 practice, but I'll tell him.

19 The Court: No, all I'm saying, no, the statutes are very clear. The  
20 statutes allow either party, and I would expect at the time  
21 of trial that *both parties* are going to come in with offers to  
22 allow entry of decree based on all of the information you've  
23 gathered because that's going to be your vehicle on both  
24 sides to ask me to award attorney's fees on your side.

25 September 9, 2015 Video: 11:47 (emphasis added).

26 (8) Hearing on November 18, 2015 on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File  
27 Amended Complaint (Oct. 13, 2015)

28 This Court denied Gabrielle's Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint  
(Oct. 13, 2015). Although this Court recognized that tort claims may be plead, this  
Court did not find that such relief was appropriate at this juncture of the case (three

1 months prior to the commencement of trial). Gabrielle's Motion for Leave to File  
2 Amended Complaint (Oct. 13, 2015) was filed well beyond the May 5, 2015 deadline  
3 originally imposed by this Court's Case and Trial Management Order (Mar. 17, 2015).  
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5 See *Nutton v. Sunset Station, Inc.*, 131 Nev. Adv. Op. 34, 357 P.3d 966 (2015). If such  
6 an amendment had been allowed, either party would have been entitled to impanel a  
7 jury. Such relief would have increased the potential likelihood of yet another  
8 continuance of the trial (in a case that was nearly two years old). Further, this Court  
9 found that Gabrielle's claims for relief were adequately protected by existing statutes.  
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12 (9) Hearing on February 17, 2016 on Gabrielle's Motion for the Issuance of  
13 an Order to Show Cause Why Defendant Should Not Be Held in  
14 Contempt for His Multiple Violations of the Joint Preliminary  
15 Injunction; Plaintiff's Motion for an Order Limiting the Access and  
16 Payments from Community Accounts; Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions,  
Attorney's Fees and Costs (Jan. 19, 2016) (hereinafter referred to as  
Gabrielle's "Contempt Motion")

17 Approximately one week prior to the commencement of trial, a hearing was held  
18 on Gabrielle's Contempt Motion. Dennis argued that Gabrielle's Contempt Motion  
19 failed to include a sufficient affidavit pursuant to *Awad v. Wright*, 106 Nev. 407, 794  
20 P.2d 713 (1990), abrogated on different grounds by *Pengilly v. Rancho Sante Fe*  
21 *Homeowners Ass'n*, 116 Nev. 646, 5 P.3d 569 (2000). Dennis also argued that,  
22 notwithstanding Gabrielle's complaints about Dennis' spending, the marital estate  
23 continued to grow. This Court found that the provisions of the Joint Preliminary  
24 Injunction would be treated and enforced as a court order. EDCR 5.85(b). Gabrielle's  
25 Contempt Motion does indeed fail to include a sufficient affidavit from Gabrielle  
26 pursuant to *Awad*. Nevertheless, the remedy for this Court with regard to the issue of  
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2 contempt is to allocate to Dennis those expenditures that Gabrielle has identified as  
3 part of the division of assets and to impose sanctions pursuant to EDCR 7.60. The  
4 analysis of such sanctions is discussed later in this Decree.

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6 One final time, this Court asked whether either party had made an offer to allow  
7 entry of decree pursuant to NRS 125.141. Each party again answered the Court's  
8 inquiry in the negative. After nine hearings, this Court was: (1) left to wonder  
9 whether the prior status hearings that the Court assented to setting had served any  
10 materially valuable purpose; and (2) exasperated that, notwithstanding this Court's  
11 repeated efforts to promote a resolution and to encourage the parties to rely on  
12 statutory provisions for the purpose of recovering attorney's fees, this Court's efforts  
13 were essentially ignored by both parties. Each party's failure to heed this Court's  
14 directive to make an offer pursuant to NRS 125.141 makes it highly unlikely that this  
15 Court will find or conclude in post-adjudicatory proceedings that either party is a  
16 "prevailing party" under the terms of this Decree.  
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20 III. DIVISION OF ASSETS AND DEBTS

21 (A) NEVADA LAW RE: COMMUNITY PROPERTY

22 NRS 123.220 provides that:

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24 All property, other than that stated in NRS 123.130,<sup>36</sup> acquired after  
25 marriage by either husband or wife, or both, is community property  
26 unless otherwise provided by:

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27 <sup>36</sup>NRS 123.130 provides that all property of a spouse "owned by her [or him] before  
28 marriage; and that acquired by her [or him] afterwards by gift, bequest, devise, descent or by  
an award for personal injury damages, with the rents, issues and profits thereof, is her [or his]  
separate property."

1. An agreement in writing between the spouses.
2. A decree of separate maintenance issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
3. NRS 123.190.
4. A decree issued or agreement in writing entered pursuant to NRS 123.259.

NRS 123.225 adds, in pertinent part, that "[t]he respective interests of the husband and wife in community property during continuance of the marriage relation are present, existing and equal interests, subject to the provisions of NRS 123.230." Consistent with these statutory provisions, the Nevada Supreme Court has declared that "the statutes clearly mandate that all property acquired by the parties until the formal dissolution of the marriage is community property." *Forrest v. Forrest*, 99 Nev. 602, 607, 668 P.2d 275, 279 (1983). Thus, the physical separation of the parties does not terminate the marital community for purposes of property acquisition.

Further, NRS 123.230 provides, in pertinent part, as follows:

2. Neither spouse may make a gift of community property without the express or implied consent of the other.

3. Neither spouse may sell, convey or encumber the community real property unless both join in the execution of the deed or other instrument by which the real property is sold, conveyed or encumbered, and the deed or other instrument must be acknowledged by both.

4. Neither spouse may purchase or contract to purchase community real property unless both join in the transaction of purchase or in the execution of the contract to purchase.

5. Neither spouse may create a security interest, other than a purchase-money security interest as defined in NRS 104.9103, in, or sell, community household goods, furnishings or appliances unless both join in executing the security agreement or contract of sale, if any.

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2 Finally, with respect to the division of community property, NRS 125.150(1)(b),  
3 provides that, in granting a divorce, the court:

4 Shall, to the extent practicable, make an equal disposition of the  
5 community property of the parties, except that the court may make an  
6 unequal disposition of the community property in such proportions as it  
7 deems just if the court finds a compelling reason to do so and sets forth  
in writing the reasons for making the unequal disposition.

8 (B) CIOFFI-KOGOD MARITAL BALANCE SHEET

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10 Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is this Court's Marital Balance Sheet setting forth  
11 this Court's findings regarding the value of assets and debts listed therein. The Marital  
12 Balance Sheet also sets forth this Court's division of assets and debts pursuant to NRS  
13 125.150. For purposes of valuation and division, this Court used February 26, 2016  
14 (the final regular trial date) to define the end of the marital community, which was the  
15 date on which the Court orally pronounced the parties divorced.<sup>37</sup> With respect to the  
16 value of assets and debts and the division thereof, this Court makes the following  
17 additional findings and conclusions:  
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20 (1) The only assets to which the parties did not either stipulate to the value  
21 or where there is a material difference in value in their Closing Briefs are the following:

22 (a) Radiology Partners investment (Gabrielle's value: \$655,000;  
23 Dennis' value: \$150,000);

24 (b) The Oak Pass property (Gabrielle's value: \$6,400,000; Dennis'  
25 value: \$5,780,000);  
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<sup>37</sup>Statements with updated account values were admitted into the record at the July 13,  
2016 hearing.

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2 (c) 2015 Ferrari automobile (Gabrielle's value of \$376,861.18;  
3 Dennis' value: \$180,000);  
4 (d) 2015 Bentley automobile (Gabrielle's value: \$255,000; Dennis'  
5 value: \$180,000); and  
6 (e) 2015 Bentley automobile (Gabrielle's value: \$205,000; Dennis'  
7 value: \$135,000).

8 (2) Each party's respective marital balance sheet identifies account values for  
9 various investment and retirement accounts. This Court notes that there are  
10 differences in the values of several UBS investment accounts. These differences,  
11 however, appear to be a function of updated values supplied by Dennis for the July 13,  
12 2016 hearing. In this regard, this Court accepted the higher/updated values supplied  
13 by Dennis as corroborated by the Supplemental Exhibits admitted into the record.  
14 Also, additional distributions from these investment accounts were made to both  
15 parties equally by stipulation. Such distributions necessarily altered the value of these  
16 accounts. Accordingly, this Court relied on the updated statements supplied by  
17 Dennis.  
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20 (3) With respect to Radiology Partners, this Court accepts the value of  
21 \$150,000. This value is consistent with the value set forth in the Anthem Report (p.  
22 17 and the attached marital balance sheet) and the value advocated by Dennis.<sup>38</sup>  
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25 <sup>38</sup>The record does not instill a high degree of confidence for the Court with respect to  
26 the value of Radiology Partners. As noted above, the Anthem Report references a value of  
27 \$150,000 for the investment. This value appears to be the amount of the original investment.  
28 The marital balance sheet attached to Gabrielle's Brief, however, values Radiology Partners at  
\$655,500 (with iChill valued at \$150,000). The marital balance sheet attached to Dennis'  
Brief requests that the investment in Radiology Partners be divided equally between the parties  
(which would obviate the need to ascribe a value to the investment). In contrast, Gabrielle has  
requested in prior iterations of her marital balance sheet that Dennis be assigned the value of

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2 (4) With respect to the Oak Pass property, this Court had the opportunity  
3 to review the testimony of the witnesses, including Mark Herman, Jennifer Bosco, and  
4 Veronica Garcia. This Court also has reviewed and considered the Appraisal Report  
5 of Marc Herman dated January 30, 2016 (Exhibit 5) and the SunWest Appraisal of  
6 Real Property dated March 7, 2016 (Exhibits 6 and VVVV). Mr. Herman valued the  
7 Oak Pass property at \$6,400,000, with a range of value (based on comparables after  
8 adjustments) of \$6,074,000 to \$6,601,400. In contrast, SunWest Appraisals valued  
9 the Oak Pass property at \$5,780,000, with a range of value (based on comparables after  
10 adjustments) of \$5,025,000 to \$6,440,500. In his Financial Disclosure Form (Feb. 16,  
11 2016), Dennis valued the Oak Pass property at \$6,250,000.

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14 Based on the review of the evidence in the record, this Court finds that the fair  
15 market value of the Oak Pass property for purposes of this Decree is \$6,300,000.

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17 (5) With respect to Dennis' un-vested stock options/LTIPs/incentive benefit  
18 programs (hereinafter referred to as "incentive benefits") with DaVita, this Court  
19 adopts the "wait and see" approach. *Fondi v. Fondi*, 106 Nev. 856, 859, 802 P.2d 1264,  
20 1266 (1990). Dennis argues that he will be required "to continue working hard in  
21 order to receive any benefit from those grants" in support of his position that any  
22 incentive benefits should be confirmed to him as his sole and separate property.

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27 Radiology Partners. (The marital balance sheet attached to Gabrielle's Brief does not contain  
28 a proposed division.) Although this Court prefers to disentangle the parties by allocating the  
asset to one party (with the value equalized through the division of other assets), this Court  
is open to a timely request to reconsider this allocation (but not as to the value of the  
investment) and to divide the investment equally between the parties.



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2 Dennis' Brief 13. To do so, however, would discount entirely Dennis' "hard work"  
3 during the existence of the marital community.

4 Application of the "time rule" formula spoken of in *Fondi* and *Gemma v. Gemma*,  
5 104 Nev. 473, 760 P.2d 772 (1988), values both Dennis' community (pre-divorce) and  
6 separate (post-divorce) efforts to the acquisition of the asset, with the Court retaining  
7 jurisdiction to "wait and see" whether extraordinary post-divorce efforts or  
8 "performance conditions" should be considered in the future division. Absent such a  
9 showing, and to the extent that Dennis' interest in any incentive benefits have not  
10 "vested" as of the date of divorce (i.e., February 26, 2016), the community interest  
11 should be calculated as a fractional interest based on the "grant" date of the asset, the  
12 date of divorce (meaning the date this Court pronounced the parties divorced), and the  
13 vesting date (or the date on which Dennis' interest is fully matured). The calculation  
14 should follow the "time rule" principles enunciated in *Gemma v. Gemma*, 105 Nev. 458,  
15 778 P.2d 429 (1989) and *Fondi v. Fondi*, 106 Nev. 856, 802 P.2d 1264 (1990). This  
16 Court should retain jurisdiction to "wait and see" the extent to which post-divorce  
17 "performance conditions" impact the value of the incentive benefits.

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19 (6) With respect to vehicles, Dennis' Brief referenced multiple leased vehicles  
20 that are not referenced in Exhibit 1 as assets. Although this Court assigns no value to  
21 any leased vehicles, each party should be responsible for any liability associated with  
22 leased vehicles in their respective names. Each party's marital balance sheet references  
23 three vehicles with value: a 2015 Ferrari, a 2015 Bentley (12 cyl.), and a 2015 Bentley  
24 (8 cyl.). The 2015 Ferrari was sold and the proceeds have been divided equally  
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2 between the parties. The discrepancies in the values of the 2015 Bentley (12 cyl.)  
3 (\$255,000 v. \$180,000) and the 2015 Bentley (8 cyl.) (\$205,000 v. \$135,000) are  
4 significant. This Court received limited evidence regarding the value of these vehicles.

5 Although Gabrielle mused during her testimony about the possibility of receiving  
6 the vehicles as part of the division of assets, this Court was not persuaded that she  
7 sincerely desired to be awarded the vehicles. This Court is inclined to confirm both  
8 vehicles to Dennis as his sole and separate property at the values he has proposed.  
9 Nevertheless, this Court provides Gabrielle the option of receiving the vehicles at the  
10 corresponding values she placed on the vehicles. If Gabrielle so desires, her election  
11 must be made within 14 days of the entry of this Decree. The Marital Balance Sheet  
12 should be modified to insert the corresponding values, with the totals recalculated to  
13 effectuate an equal division.  
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17 (7) Apart from the UBS line of credit in the amount of \$412,723, each party  
18 should be responsible for the debt they each have incurred respectively. Such a result  
19 is based in part on the significant duration of the parties' separation. This Court  
20 presumes that the individual consumer debts incurred after the parties' separation  
21 benefitted each party individually and not the marital community as a whole.  
22 Accordingly, this Court finds that there is a compelling reason pursuant to NRS  
23 125.150 to assign to each party the consumer debts they each have incurred  
24 respectively without any offset in the division of assets.  
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27 (8) With respect to the division of furniture and personal property, neither  
28 party testified or argued that the other party was in possession of any such personalty

1 that he/she desired to acquire. Further, the record is devoid of any value for such  
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3 personalty except as noted below. The division of personalty excludes the confirmation  
4 to Dennis of the sapphire ring he acquired for Jennifer (which is identified separately  
5 in Exhibit 1) and the artwork he purchased after the issuance of the Joint Preliminary  
6 Injunction (May 15, 2014) for his Wilshire residence. The amount spent by Dennis  
7 on said artwork is captured as part of the Anthem Report and is thus included as part  
8 of the division of assets.  
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10 (9) Dennis argues that his Chase Cigna Health Savings Account should not  
11 be included as an asset to be divided. Although it may not be a financial benefit that  
12 Gabrielle is able to access after the parties' divorce, the Health Savings Account  
13 nevertheless has value and should be included as an asset confirmed to Dennis.  
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15 (10) Each party should receive one-half of any credit card/travel reward points.  
16 This Court retains jurisdiction to oversee the division of these assets.  
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18 (C) WASTE & COMPELLING REASONS FOR AN UNEQUAL DIVISION  
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20 (1) Defining "Waste" Under Nevada Law

21 NRS 125.150 authorizes this Court to "make an unequal disposition of the  
22 community property in such proportions as it deems just if the court finds a compelling  
23 reason to do so and sets forth in writing the reasons for making the unequal  
24 disposition." The "waste" or "dissipation" of community assets has been considered  
25 as a "compelling reason" to "make an unequal disposition." One scholarly author has  
26 opined that: "The range of human behavior in the waste aspects of family law is so vast  
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2 that a specific description of what may constitute 'waste' or 'compelling reasons' is  
3 impossible to set forth in either a statute or case rule." Gary R. Silverman, Esq., *I Spent*  
4 *The Money on Whiskey, Women and Gambling; The Rest, I Wasted*, 19 May Nev. Law. 19,  
5 29. (2011).<sup>39</sup> This is because a finding of waste depends on the "particular facts and  
6 circumstances surrounding the conduct" in each case. Erika Driskell, *Dissipation of*  
7 *Marital Assets and Preliminary Injunctions: A Preventive Approach to Safeguarding Marital*  
8 *Assets*, 20 J. Am. Acad. Matrim. Law 135, 142 (2006). For example, courts have found  
9 waste for excessive alcohol and drug related expenditures (*id.* at 143); destruction of  
10 property (J. Thomas Oldham, *Romance Without Finance Ain't Got No Chance: Development*  
11 *of the Doctrine of Dissipation in Equitable Distribution States*, 21 Am. Acad. Matrim. Law.  
12 501, 505 (2008)); reduction in fair market value of property (*In re Marriage of Hokanson*,  
13 68 Cal. App. 4th 987, 80 Cal. Rptr.2d. 699 (1998)); and even charitable donations (*In*  
14 *re Marriage of Cerven*, 317 Ill. App. 3d 895, 742 N.E.2d 343 (Ill. 2d. Dist. 2000)).

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18 Although the case law precedent regarding waste or dissipation in Nevada is  
19 limited, the Nevada Supreme Court has sanctioned waste or dissipation as "a  
20 compelling reason for making an unequal disposition of community property." *Lofgren*  
21 *v. Lofgren*, 112 Nev. 1282, 926 P.2d 296 (1996). In *Lofgren*, the Nevada Supreme  
22 Court held that:  
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<sup>39</sup>Mr. Silverman offered a general definition of "dissipation" or "waste" as "community  
property spent, conveyed, hidden or otherwise converted by a spouse that . . . compels the  
court in justice and equity to reinstate the property to the community balance sheet and then  
divide such property as the facts compel." Gary R. Silverman, *I Spent The Money on Whiskey,*  
*Women and Gambling; The Rest, I Wasted*, 19 May Nev. Law. 19, 19 (2011).

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2 if community property is lost, expended or destroyed through the  
3 intentional misconduct of one spouse, the court may consider such  
4 misconduct as a compelling reason for making an unequal disposition of  
5 community property and may appropriately augment the other spouse's  
6 share of the remaining community property.

7 *Lofgren*, 112 Nev. at 1283, 926 P.2d at 297.

8 In *Lofgren*, the Nevada Supreme Court affirmed the district court's ruling that  
9 Mr. Lofgren's financial misconduct provided a compelling reason for an unequal  
10 division of community property. *Id.* at 1283, 926 P.2d at 297. Specifically, the district  
11 court found that, during the pendency of the divorce action and in violation of the  
12 joint preliminary injunction, Mr. Lofgren had: transferred community funds to his  
13 father (about one third of which husband could not account for); used community  
14 funds for his own purposes (including improving and furnishing his home); and made  
15 unauthorized gifts of community funds to his children. *Id.* at 1283-1284, 297-298.

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17 The Court reaffirmed the *Lofgren* holding in *Putterman v. Putterman*, 113 Nev.  
18 606, 939 P.2d 1047 (1997), noting that financial misconduct "in the form of one  
19 party's wasting or secreting assets during the divorce process . . . negligent loss or  
20 destruction of community property, unauthorized gifts of community property" may  
21 constitute compelling reasons for an unequal division. *Putterman*, 939 P.2d at 1048.  
22 In *Putterman*, the Nevada Supreme Court again affirmed the district court's unequal  
23 division of community property based on its "meticulous findings of fact which set  
24 forth numerous compelling reasons." 113 Nev. 606, 608, 939 P.2d 1047, 1048  
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2 (1997).<sup>40</sup> The district court found that Mr. Putterman had engaged in financial  
3 misconduct that included: his failure to account for his earnings or any financial  
4 matters "over which he had control;" his lies to the court about not having an income;  
5 and, after the parties had separated, his charging of "several thousand dollars" on credit  
6 cards that Mrs. Putterman repaid. *Id.* at 609, 939 P.2d at 1049.  
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8 The *Putterman* case contains insightful language about the extent to which a  
9 court should scrutinize the parties' financial dealings. The Court made the following  
10 instructive comments:  
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12 In *Lofgren*, we defined one species of "compelling reasons" for  
13 unequal disposition of community property, namely, financial misconduct  
14 in the form of one party's wasting or secreting assets during the divorce  
15 process. There are, of course, other possible compelling reasons, such as  
16 negligent loss or destruction of community property, unauthorized gifts  
of community property and even, possibly, compensation for losses  
occasioned by marriage and its breakup.

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18 It should be kept in mind that the secreting or wasting of  
19 community assets while divorce proceedings are pending is to be  
20 distinguished from *under contributing* or *over consuming* of community  
21 assets during the marriage. Obviously, when one party to a marriage  
22 contributes less to the community property than the other, this cannot,  
23 especially in an equal division state, entitle the other party to a  
24 retrospective accounting of expenditures made during the marriage or to  
25 entitlement to more than an equal share of the community property.  
Almost all marriages involve some disproportion in contribution or  
consumption of community property. *Such retrospective considerations are  
not and should not be relevant to community property allocation and do not present  
"compelling reasons" for an unequal disposition; whereas, hiding or wasting of*

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27 <sup>40</sup>The unequal division in Mrs. Putterman's favor was "not excessive" and consisted of  
28 a country club membership and a portion of stock in a closely-held corporation which she was  
able to purchase because she was an employee of the corporation. *Id.*, 113 Nev. at 609-610,  
939 P.2d at 1049.

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2 *community assets or misappropriating community assets for personal gain may*  
3 *indeed provide compelling reasons for unequal disposition of community property.*

4 *Putterman*, 113 Nev. at 609, 939 P.2d at 1048-49 (emphasis added).

5 The Nevada Supreme Court has considered and found other forms of  
6 misconduct that may constitute a compelling reason for an unequal division of  
7 community assets. For example, in *Wheeler v. Upton-Wheeler*, 113 Nev. 1185, 946  
8 P.2d 200 (1997), the Nevada Supreme Court held that “if spousal abuse or marital  
9 misconduct of one party has had an adverse economic impact on the other party, it  
10 may be considered by the district court in determining whether an unequal division of  
11 community property is warranted.” 113 Nev. at 1190, 946 P.2d at 203 (1997).  
12 “Evidence of spousal abuse or marital misconduct” alone, however, is not a “compelling  
13 reason under NRS 125.150(1)(b) for making an unequal disposition of community  
14 property.” *Id.* at 1190, 946 P.2d at 203. The Nevada Supreme Court explained its  
15 holding by reference to the 1993 amendment to NRS 125.150(1)(b):  
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19 In 1993, the legislature amended NRS 125.150(1)(b) to provide for an  
20 equal division of community property, rather than an equitable division.  
21 It appears that in amending NRS 125.150(1)(b), the legislature wanted  
22 to ensure that Nevada would remain a no-fault divorce state. Prior to the  
23 amendment, the district court could consider the “respective merits of the  
24 parties” in making a “just and equitable” disposition of the parties’  
25 community property. In amending NRS 125.150(1)(b), the legislature  
26 provided that the district court shall make an equal disposition of the  
27 community property, unless the court finds a “compelling reason” to  
28 make an unequal division. The legislature, however, did not define the  
“compelling reasons” exception to equal division.

*Id.* at 1189-1190, 946 P.2d at 203.

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2 In *Wheeler*, the district court found, based on its admission of photographs  
3 depicting numerous bruises on Ms. Upton-Wheeler allegedly inflicted by Mr. Wheeler,  
4 that an abusive relationship existed between the parties in which she “suffered from  
5 [Mr. Wheeler’s] conduct” and that therefore a compelling reason existed to make an  
6 unequal division of community property in her favor. *Id.* at 1186-1187, 946 P.2d at  
7 201. However, to the extent that the district court simply (and improperly) relied on  
8 the spousal abuse alone instead of properly relying on the “adverse economic impact”  
9 of the spousal abuse upon Ms. Upton-Wheeler “which would warrant an unequal  
10 distribution of the community property,” the Nevada Supreme Court reversed and  
11 remanded for further proceedings. *Id.* at 1190, 946 P.2d at 203.

14 In *Maldonado v. Robles*, 2015 WL 7356364 (Nov. 17, 2015), the district court  
15 found that there was a compelling reason for an unequal division of community  
16 property.<sup>41</sup> Approximately four years after the parties married, and approximately nine  
17 years prior to the parties’ divorce, Mr. Maldonado was convicted of sexually abusing  
18 Ms. Robles’ daughters from another relationship. The district court found that Mr.  
19 Maldonado’s:  
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22 misconduct had a continuing economic impact on Robles due to the need  
23 for past and future counseling to address trauma resulting from his sexual  
24 crimes against her daughters. The record further reflects that she  
25 incurred lost wages and expense when she was requested to appear at  
26 Maldonado’s numerous criminal proceedings, that the trauma resulted in  
27 medical bills for a hospitalization and medications, and that she was  
28 required to move because the molestation had occurred in their residence.

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<sup>41</sup>Notably, the parties did not have any community property to divide but the district court nonetheless found that a compelling reason for an unequal division (of nothing) existed.



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2 *Id.* at 3. On Mr. Maldonado's appeal, the Nevada Supreme Court affirmed the district  
3 court, stating: "Based on the record evidence and *Wheeler*, we conclude that the district  
4 court did not abuse its discretion by finding a compelling reason to make an unequal  
5 distribution of property." *Id.*  
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7 In summary, Nevada recognizes that community property may be divided  
8 unequally between the parties if the court finds that one spouse has engaged in: (1)  
9 community waste (i.e. intentional financial misconduct per *Lofgren v. Lofgren*, 112 Nev.  
10 1282, 926 P.2d 296 (1996)); (2) negligent financial misconduct (i.e., unauthorized  
11 gifts and losses occasioned by marriage and its breakup per *Putterman v. Putterman*, 113  
12 Nev. 606, 939 P.2d 1047 (1997)); (3) marital misconduct that resulted in adverse  
13 economic impact (i.e., spousal abuse or marital misconduct that resulted in adverse  
14 economic impact per *Wheeler v. Upton-Wheeler*, 113 Nev. 1185, 946 P.2d 200 (1997));  
15 or (4) criminal marital misconduct that resulted in adverse economic impact per  
16 *Maldonado v. Robles*, 2015 WL 7356364 (Nov. 17, 2015).  
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19 (a) Timing: When Does "Waste" Start?  
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21 *Lofgren* and *Putterman* shed some indirect light on the timing of when a court  
22 should consider expenditures as an incident of community waste. In *Lofgren*, Mr.  
23 Lofgren's community waste occurred after the commencement of the divorce  
24 proceeding and in violation of a joint preliminary injunction. 112 Nev. 1282, 1283,  
25 926 P.2d 296, 297 (1996). In *Putterman*, Mr. Putterman's community waste occurred  
26 after the commencement of the divorce proceeding and "after separation" from Ms.  
27 Putterman. 113 Nev. 606, 609, 939 P.2d 1047, 1049 (1997). Taken together, the  
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2 Nevada Supreme Court has implicitly held that waste can occur as early as the date of  
3 the parties' separation. This Court concludes, however, that this direction from the  
4 Nevada Supreme Court is not limiting language that was intended to preclude an  
5 earlier date for a court to consider conduct that constitutes "waste." Guidance from  
6 other jurisdictions regarding the timing of "waste" or "dissipation" is instructive.  
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8 Generally, case law from other jurisdictions suggests that a finding of waste  
9 occurs only after an irretrievable or "irreconcilable breakdown" of the marriage. For  
10 example, in *Barriger v. Barriger*, 514 S.W.2d 114 (Ky. Ct. App. 1974), the Court of  
11 Appeals of Kentucky Court reimbursed the community unaccounted funds spent by  
12 husband on gambling and "any good looking broad that comes by." In so doing, the  
13 court noted that dissipation or waste exists when one spouse utilizes community  
14 property for his or her own benefit for a purpose unrelated to the marriage at a time  
15 when the marriage is undergoing an irreconcilable breakdown. *Id.* at 514 S.W.2d at  
16 115. Further, in *In Re Marriage of Seversen*, 228 Ill. App.3d 820, 593 N.E.2d 747  
17 (1992), an Illinois appellate court found that "dissipation refers to 'the use of marital  
18 property for the sole benefit of one of the spouses for a purpose unrelated to the  
19 marriage at a time that the marriage is undergoing an irreconcilable breakdown.'" 228 Ill.  
20 App.3d at 824, 593 N.E.2d at 750, quoting *In re Marriage of O'Neill*, 138 Ill.2d 487,  
21 563 N.E.2d 494 (1990).  
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26 Scholarly authors have opined that, in a community property state, waste can  
27 occur at any time during the marriage. "No community property state appears to have  
28 developed a marital breakdown requirement, probably because of the fact that a

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2 dissipation of community property even prior to marital breakdown is still an  
3 interference with a present ownership interest of the other spouse.” Lewis Becker,  
4 *Conduct of a Spouse That Dissipates Property Available for Equitable Property Distribution: A*  
5 *Suggested Analysis*, 52 Ohio St. L. J. 95, 108, 123 (1991).  
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7         Notwithstanding this scholarly discussion that “waste” can occur during periods  
8 of “marital bliss,” this Court concludes that, if reasonably possible, the more sound  
9 approach is to determine when the marriage is undergoing an “irretrievable” or  
10 “irreconcilable” breakdown as a “line of demarcation” for the Court’s analysis of waste.  
11 In this regard, this Court should be less inclined to scrutinize, second-guess, or micro-  
12 manage the financial affairs of spouses living in relative harmony. Rather, a court  
13 should presume that financial decisions made by parties living in marital harmony are  
14 not waste. To conclude otherwise would encourage “retrospective accountings” that  
15 the *Putterman* Court warned against and invite an audit in virtually every divorce case  
16 of all financial decisions from the moment the couple declared “I do.” Rather, the  
17 Court should apply greater scrutiny to the parties’ financial affairs after the irretrievable  
18 or irreconcilable breakdown has started.  
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22         Dennis acknowledges that “[o]nce the marriage begins to undergo an  
23 irreconcilable breakdown, courts have recognized that parties might not be looking out  
24 for their spouse’s best interest and, in fact, may try to harm their spouse financially.”  
25 Defendant’s Brief 19. Dennis argues that this “period ends as soon as the court is  
26 involved because once the court is involved, the parties are able to seek judicial  
27 intervention regarding these issues.” *Id.* This Court concludes, however, that the  
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2 heightened scrutiny of the parties' financial activity does not cease upon the filing for  
3 divorce or once the "breakdown" has been recognized by both parties. (In other words,  
4 there is not a "green light" to start spending community funds without consequence  
5 once the relationship is deemed to have been "broken.") To the contrary, the financial  
6 practices of the parties should be scrutinized from the time of the "irreconcilable  
7 breakdown" until the divorce is finalized. Moreover, the very filing of the Complaint  
8 for Divorce (Dec. 13, 2103) and the Joint Preliminary Injunction (May 15, 2014)  
9 constitute taking judicial action.<sup>42</sup>  
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12 (b) Burden of Proof

13 Although the burden of proof has not been addressed directly in Nevada case law  
14 precedent, both *Lofgren* and *Putterman* offer, at least indirectly, some guidance with  
15 respect to who has the burden to account for allegedly wasted community assets. For  
16 example, the Court in *Putterman* referenced the trial court's finding that the husband  
17 "had refused to account to either [wife] or to the court for any finances over which he  
18 had control, including separate property or earnings." 113 Nev. 606, 609, 939 P.2d  
19 1047, 1049. The Court concluded that "[t]he husband's financial misconduct in the  
20 form of his having refused to account to the court concerning 'earnings' and other  
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24 <sup>42</sup>Dennis suggests that Gabrielle's inaction (including her failure to file more than two  
25 motions prior to trial) confirms at least tacit approval of his spending practices. Thus, while  
26 Dennis assured Gabrielle (and this Court) during the first two hearings in this case that he  
27 would spearhead an accounting and that he would compensate Gabrielle for his spending (i.e.,  
28 lulling her into an apparent false belief that he was pro-actively addressing the issue and that  
there was no need for any filings with the Court), he now criticizes her for accepting his  
promises and not running into court immediately. This appears to be a recurring pattern in  
the parties' relationship. Further, the suggestion that more than *nine* pre-trial hearings should  
have been held during the pendency of this case is not a welcome thought.

1 financial matters '*over which he had control*' and the husband's 'lying' to the court  
2 about his income both provide compelling reasons for unequal disposition." *Id.*  
3 (Emphasis added).  
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5 Similarly, in *Lofgren*, the Court found that Mr. Lofgren's community waste  
6 totaled \$96,000, comprised of community funds that he either failed to account for or  
7 that he used for a non-marital purpose. 112 Nev. at 1284, 926 P.2d at 297-98. In  
8 summary, the Nevada Supreme Court has subtly held that the wasting spouse has the  
9 burden of accounting for alleged wasted community funds and showing that the funds  
10 in question were used for a marital purpose.  
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12 Placing the burden on the wasting spouse is also consistent with Nevada law in  
13 the context of parties involved in a fiduciary relationship. "A fiduciary relationship . . .  
14 arises from the existence of the marriage itself. Thus precipitating a duty to disclose  
15 pertinent assets and factors relating to those assets." *Williams v. Waldman*, 108 Nev.  
16 466, 472, 836 P.2d 614, 618 (1992). See also Gary R. Silverman, Esq., *I Spent The*  
17 *Money on Whiskey, Women and Gambling; The Rest, I Wasted*, 19 May Nev. Law. 19, 20-  
18 21 (2011). In Nevada, spouses are regarded as partners who owe each other fiduciary  
19 duties. *Id.* The Nevada Supreme Court has held that the burden of proof is on the  
20 party who violated the fiduciary duties owed to the other party. *Id.* at 21. "The most  
21 elementary conceptions of justice and public policy require that the wrongdoer shall  
22 bear the risk of the uncertainty which his own wrong has created." *Foley v. Morse &*  
23 *Mowbray*, 109 Nev. 116, 121, 848 P.2d 519, 520 (1993), quoting *Bigelow v. RKO Radio*  
24 *Pictures*, 327 U.S. 251, 265, 90 L.Ed. 652, 66 S.Ct. 574 (1946).  
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2 In the majority of other states, the burden of proof is similarly established. Brett  
3 R. Turner, *Equitable Distribution of Property* vol. 2 §6.105, 557 (3d. ed., Thomson West  
4 2005).<sup>43</sup> First, the spouse alleging dissipation must establish a *prima facie* showing of  
5 the value of marital or community property that was spent. *See Brosick v. Brosick*, 974  
6 S.W.2d 498, 502 (Ct. App. Ky 1998). It is essential to establish the value of the  
7 dissipated property because the court “cannot determine the amount of the remedy  
8 without undue speculation.” Turner, *Equitable Distribution of Property*, *supra*; *see Alsenz*  
9 *v. Alsenz*, 101 S.W.3d 648 (Tex. App. Houston 1st Dist. 2003) (although husband  
10 committed dissipation when he lost community funds while “day trading securities,”  
11 it was error for the court to “arbitrarily” award wife \$35,000 where the amount of loss  
12 had not been established by the evidence). Then, the burden of proof shifts to the  
13 spouse charged with dissipation to rebut the showing through presentation of evidence  
14 sufficient to account for the property at issue having been used for a marital purpose.  
15 *Brosick* at 502; *Gutierrez v. Gutierrez*, 193 Ariz. 343, 972 P.2d 676 (1998) (husband  
16 could not “explain with any specificity how he had spent” \$62,000 that he withdrew  
17 from the community retirement account). In *Morrison v. Morrison*, 713 S.W.2d 377  
18 (1986), a Texas appellate court similarly found that, “[b]ecause a trust relationship  
19 exists between husband and wife as to that community property controlled by each  
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26 <sup>43</sup>There are two minority rules. The first places the burden on the dissipating spouse  
27 to produce *prima facie* evidence that the lost asset was either beyond his or her control or that  
28 it was used for a marital purpose. Once produced, the non-dissipating spouse bears the burden  
of overcoming the evidence produced. The second places the “complete” burden of proof on  
the non-dissipating spouse. Brett R. Turner, *Equitable Distribution of Property* vol. 2 §6.105 at  
559-560.

1 spouse, *the burden of proof to show fairness in disposing of community assets is upon the disposing*  
2 *spouse. . . .* Thus, once evidence of the expenditures of community funds was admitted,  
3 it was incumbent on David to justify the expenditures.” 713 S.W.2d at 379 (emphasis  
4 added).  
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### 6 (c) Evidentiary Standard

7 In many states, the spouse charged with dissipation must meet his/her burden  
8 of proof by “clear and convincing evidence.”  
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10 [A] mere summary denial of dissipation is clearly not sufficient to meet  
11 the burden. Rather, the spouse accused of dissipation must show specific  
12 evidence of the purpose for which the asset was spent. While there is no  
13 absolute requirement that the evidence be written or documentary,  
14 testimony alone is unlikely to meet the burden if there is any likelihood  
15 that the claimed purpose would have produced documents. Testimony  
16 is more likely to be accepted where the amount at issue is small, or where  
17 documentary evidence accounts for most of the questioned expenditures.

18 Brett R. Turner, *Equitable Distribution of Property* Vol. 2 §6.105, 557-558 (3d. ed.,  
19 Thomson West 2005). The rationale behind the majority approach “is access to  
20 evidence: in most cases, only the dissipating spouse will know how the asset came to  
21 be lost. If the complete burden of proof is on the innocent spouse, then the innocent  
22 spouse must not only prove the disappearance of the marital property, but also the  
23 precise way it disappeared or purpose for which it was spent – a burden which will  
24 often be impossible to meet.” *Id.* at 559-60.

25 Similarly, in *In re Marriage of Severson*, 228 Ill.App.3d 820, 593 N.E.2d 747  
26 (1992), an Illinois Appellate Court held as follows:  
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28 [a] person charged with the dissipation is obligated to establish by *clear*  
*and specific evidence how the funds were spent.* General and vague statements

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2 that the funds were spent on marital expenses or to pay bills are  
3 inadequate to avoid a finding of dissipation. (Citations omitted).  
4 Moreover, an explanation given by a spouse charged with dissipation as  
5 to how funds were spent requires a trial court to determine her  
6 credibility. . . . A finding of dissipation is required where the charged  
7 party fails to explain specifically how the disputed funds were spent.  
8 (Citation omitted). An inadequate explanation has been found where the  
9 charged party merely testified that the money was spent "to live on and  
10 pay the bills" or for "his cost of living and his bills" and where the  
11 charged party produced no evidence. . . . In contrast, Claudia, as the  
12 charged party, provided a detailed accounting of how the funds were  
13 spent and testified that the figures were based on canceled checks, credit  
14 card statements, bills, receipts, and estimates for cash expenditures.

15 228 Ill. App.3d at 825-26 (emphasis added).

16 Guidance in Nevada is limited. However, there is authority for the proposition  
17 that the party who violated fiduciary duties owed to the other party must satisfy their  
18 burden of proof by "clear and convincing evidence." Gary R. Silverman, Esq., *I Spent*  
19 *The Money on Whiskey, Women and Gambling; The Rest, I Wasted*, 19 May Nev. Law. 19,  
20 20-21 (2011), citing *In re Tiffany Living Trust 2001*, 124 Nev. Adv. Op. 8 (2008).  
21 Further, it is persuasive that the "clear and convincing" evidentiary standard is similarly  
22 applicable to rebut presumptions relating to community property and gifts.  
23 Accordingly, this Court concludes that the evidentiary standard to be applied in this  
24 matter is that Dennis must meet his burden by clear and convincing evidence.

## 25 (2) Application to Dennis and Gabrielle's Divorce

26 This Court concludes that, once Gabrielle established a *prima facie* case that: (1)  
27 community funds had been spent on non-community purposes; or (2) community  
28 funds were otherwise unaccounted, it was Dennis' burden to provide this Court with  
proof (by way of an accounting) that his expenditures did not constitute waste. In light



1 of the fiduciary relationship of the parties, this Court concludes that such proof must  
2 be clear and convincing. Much of the discussion and debate between the expert  
3 witnesses and expert reports offered to the Court can be narrowed to the issue of the  
4 evidentiary burden. Dennis critiqued Gabrielle's expert's reports based on her failure  
5 to provide "proof" that community funds were "wasted" or spent on a non-community  
6 purpose. However, it was Dennis, and not Gabrielle, who had the burden to  
7 demonstrate that unaccounted community funds were not wasted or that funds spent  
8 for specific purposes should not be found to constitute waste.  
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12 This Court's analysis of alleged waste in this matter is not about comparing,  
13 scrutinizing or challenging the lifestyle expenditures claimed in the parties' respective  
14 financial disclosure forms. Rather, after giving credit to Dennis for spending  
15 community funds on those items (and corresponding amounts) that he claimed in his  
16 financial disclosure forms, the issue for this Court is twofold: (1) whether expenditures  
17 that have been clearly identified constitute waste; and (2) whether Dennis has provided  
18 a sufficient accounting for "unaccounted" expenditures. Ultimately, it was Dennis'  
19 legal burden to provide such an accounting and, at least early in the case, he  
20 acknowledged as much when he boldly proclaimed at the February 3, 2015 Case  
21 Management Conference that he was "going to take that issue away from her by  
22 providing an accounting." Just as he had given Gabrielle false hope that, through  
23 marital counseling, their marriage could be saved, he gave this Court false hope that he  
24 would provide "an estimate and an offer that will be more than the dollars spent, so  
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2 that one-half of which will be awarded to Mrs. Kogod to at least remove the financial  
3 sting or insult of Dennis' having this relationship."

4       This Court further concludes that the existence and analysis of waste by Dennis  
5 in regards to identifiable expenditures on Nadya and Dennis and Nadya's children  
6 begins in November 2004. Such a conclusion is based on this Court's finding that the  
7 irretrievable breakdown of the marriage began in 2004 with Dennis secretly spending  
8 money on a purpose that was irreconcilable with a harmonious marital relationship.  
9 In regards to unaccounted expenditures that have not been specifically identified as  
10 having been spent on Nadya, Dennis and Nadya's children, or Jennifer, this Court  
11 concludes that the analysis of waste by Dennis begins in March 2010. In this regard,  
12 Dennis' filing of his Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010) in early 2010, and the  
13 parties "permanent" physical separation in 2010 reflect a permanency of the  
14 irretrievable breakdown of the marriage. The year 2010 also marks the period of time  
15 in which Gabrielle became aware of serious issues and problems in the parties' marriage  
16 which would give rise to heightened scrutiny by this Court as to all expenditures (and  
17 not just those expenditures traceable to a girlfriend and children of an affair).

18       As previously discussed, it is undisputed that Dennis initiated his extra-marital  
19 affair with Nadya no later than November 2004. This relationship, as well as at least  
20 one additional extra-marital affair (with Jennifer), continued through the filing of these  
21 divorce proceedings (with financial support extending through the date of the divorce  
22 proceedings). Thus, any expenditures traced directly to these affairs should be  
23 recaptured as part of the Court's consideration of NRS 125.150. This Court finds that  
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2 Dennis' maintenance of extra-marital affairs is inherently inimical to maintaining  
3 marital harmony and invites this Court's scrutiny as to these traceable expenditures  
4 that took place even during a time in which Gabrielle may not have perceived that the  
5 relationship was undergoing an irretrievable or irreconcilable breakdown. As in  
6 *Putterman*, Dennis failed in large part to account for his expenditures *despite repeated*  
7 *assurances to this Court that he would do so.*<sup>44</sup>  
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10 (3) Remedy for Waste/Dissipation

11 The majority of courts in equal division states and equitable division states  
12 appear to approach the remedy for waste or dissipation in the same way: "the court will  
13 deem the wrongfully dissipated assets to have been received by the offending party  
14 prior to the distribution." *Brosick v. Brosick*, 974 S.W.2d 498, 501 (1998). This  
15 essentially places the non-wasting spouse in the position he or she would have been in  
16 had the other spouse not wasted community assets. Lori D. Hall, *Dissipation of Marital*  
17 *Assets: How South Carolina and Other States Prevent and Remedy the Problem*, 10 S.C. Law  
18 41, 43 (1999). Indeed, the remedy "must bear some relation to the evidence  
19 presented" and must be based on the court's specific findings regarding the value or  
20 amount of waste or dissipation. *Brosick*, 974 S.W.2d at 501.  
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26 <sup>44</sup>Dennis' failure to provide this Court with his own accounting is distinct from his  
27 participation in discovery. It is not disputed that Dennis produced thousands of pages of  
28 records in discovery in response to discovery requests. Despite his evidentiary burden to  
account for the monies reflected in these documents, he abdicated his responsibility to  
affirmatively account for his expenditures. Instead, he sat back and waited for the opportunity  
to critique and "poke holes" in Gabrielle's accounting.

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2 Under Nevada law, the statutory remedy of NRS 125.150 provides the  
3 mechanism by which a spouse is made whole through an unequal division of assets.  
4 Further, pursuant to *Lofgren*, this Court “may appropriately augment the other spouse’s  
5 share of the remaining community property.” 112 Nev. at 1283, 926 P.2d at 297.  
6 Based on this Court’s review of the expert reports and testimony offered by both  
7 parties, this Court has included the equalizing amount in the Martial Balance Sheet  
8 attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The amount of waste to be attributed to Dennis based  
9 on the expert analysis discussed below totals \$4,087,863.  
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12 (4) Expert Analysis: Findings re Waste: \$4,087,863

13 NRS 50.275 provides that, “[i]f scientific, technical or other specialized  
14 knowledge will assist the trier of fact to understand the evidence or to determine a fact  
15 in issue, a witness qualified as an expert by special knowledge, skill, experience, training  
16 or education may testify to matters within the scope of such knowledge.” Further,  
17 NRS 50.295 provides that “[t]estimony in the form of an opinion or inference  
18 otherwise admissible is not objectionable because it embraces an ultimate issue to be  
19 decided by the trier of fact.”  
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22 Gabrielle and Dennis both offered expert accounting testimony that focused on  
23 Dennis’ spending. There were limitations, however, on the forensic accounting  
24 endeavors, including the unavailability of records and information as a result of the  
25 passage of time and faded memory. Jennifer A. Allen and Joseph L. Leauanae of  
26 Anthem Forensics (Ms. Allen and Mr. Leauanae are sometimes referred to collectively  
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2 as "Anthem Forensics") testified on Gabrielle's behalf, and Richard M. Teichner of  
3 Teichner Accounting Forensics & Valuations, PLLC, testified on Dennis' behalf.

4 Ms. Allen described Anthem Forensics' function as threefold: First, Anthem  
5 Forensics analyzed transaction activity of financial accounts in existence during the  
6 marriage to determine who benefitted from the account activity. The analysis included  
7 review of bank and credit card statements and additional supporting documentation  
8 that was made available to Anthem Forensics. Second, Anthem Forensics identified  
9 assets and values for purposes of developing a marital balance sheet. Finally, Anthem  
10 Forensics analyzed Dennis' income for purposes of the issue of spousal support.  
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13 Despite Dennis' assurances to this Court that he would be spearheading the  
14 forensic accounting of his spending, and despite his legal burden to demonstrate by  
15 clear and convincing evidence that his spending was not wasteful, Dennis did not offer  
16 to the Court an investigative forensic accounting report. Rather, Mr. Teichner  
17 reviewed and critiqued the reports from Anthem Forensics, but did not conduct his  
18 own independent accounting analysis. Mr. Teichner admitted that he accepted at face  
19 value Dennis' representations without further investigation or independent  
20 verification.<sup>45</sup>  
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23 The following Exhibits prepared by the experts involved in this matter were  
24 admitted into the record and reviewed by this Court: Index of documents in support  
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27 <sup>45</sup>Anthem Forensics opined: "Teichner has simply relied upon Dennis' representations  
28 and has not obtained supporting documentation even though his client has more access to this  
information than does Anthem. It is our opinion that the unsubstantiated regurgitation of  
Dennis' opinions may not constitute, nor require, the provision of expert testimony." Exhibit  
64, p. 8.

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2 of Spreadsheets in Anthem Forensic's Reports (Exhibit 55); Anthem Forensics' Expert  
3 Witness Report dated November 17, 2015 (Exhibit 56); Anthem Forensics  
4 Supplemental Expert Witness Report dated December 15, 2015 (hereinafter referred  
5 to as the "Anthem Report") (Exhibit 57); Anthem Forensics' Supporting Documents  
6 for facts set forth in Supplemental Expert Report dated December 15, 2015 (Exhibit  
7 58); Email from Joe Leauanae to Daniel Marks, Esq., dated February 9, 2016 (Exhibit  
8 59); Auto Related Exhibits listed on Exhibit 6 (Exhibit 60); Transactions that comprise  
9 the "adjusted" column to Exhibit 6 (Exhibit 61); Withdrawals – Gabrielle Kogod  
10 (Exhibit 62); Teichner Accounting Forensics & Valuations, PLLC Rebuttal Expert  
11 Report dated January 25, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the "Teichner Report")  
12 (Exhibit D); Anthem Forensics' Response to Rebuttal Report dated February 5, 2016  
13 (hereinafter referred to as the "Anthem Response Report") (Exhibit 64); Anthem  
14 Forensics' Supporting Documentation for facts set forth in the February 5, 2016  
15 Report (Exhibit 65); and Teichner Accounting Forensics & Valuations, PLLC  
16 Surrebuttal Expert Report dated February 15, 2016 (Exhibit F). This Court also  
17 reviewed additional summaries prepared such as Exhibit 72 (spreadsheet re expenses  
18 for Khapsalis children from May 2014), Exhibit 73 (spreadsheet showing outflows  
19 greater than \$10,000 since date of Anthem Report), Exhibit 75 (spreadsheet showing  
20 payments to or on behalf of Dennis' family members since May 2014), and Exhibit 76  
21 (spreadsheet showing payments to Jennifer since September 2014).

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27 With respect to their analysis of financial transactions and spending/account  
28 activity, Anthem Forensics examined more than 27,200 transactions. Anthem Report

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2 8. Anthem Forensics defined the "relevant period" of time of their examination as  
3 covering January 2004 through the present. *Id.* at 7. However, Anthem Forensics did  
4 not receive account statements prior to March 2008. *Id.* Thus, some elements of waste  
5 that pre-date March 2008 were not discoverable and excluded from the analysis.  
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7 The Anthem Report organized Dennis' spending and transaction activity into  
8 various categories or "buckets" of expenses. Specifically, these "buckets" were  
9 organized as follows: (1) expenses traceable to Nadya and her and Dennis' twin  
10 daughters; (2) expenses traceable to Jennifer; (3) expenses traceable to Dennis' yacht  
11 purchases; (4) expenses "not elsewhere classified;" (5) expenses traceable to Dennis'  
12 family members; and (6) the opportunity cost of potential community waste.<sup>46</sup> The  
13 categorization and calculation of expenditures was also based on information Dennis  
14 offered by way of his deposition testimony and his sworn representations in his  
15 financial disclosure forms filed with the Court. Notwithstanding these classifications,  
16 Ms. Allen reiterated that whether particular expenditures constituted "waste" was to  
17 be determined by the trier of fact. Similarly, the Anthem Report provides that "[w]hile  
18 we have endeavored to analyze potential community waste, the ultimate  
19 characterization of the transactions identified in this section will need to be resolved  
20 by the trier of fact." *Id.* at 8.  
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25 In stark contrast with his admissions at the initial Case Management  
26 Conference, Dennis argued that, because there has been no diminution in value of the  
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28 <sup>46</sup>Although items (5) and (6) were treated separately in the Anthem Report and not necessarily segregated into "buckets," the Court analyzes these categories in this section.

1 marital estate, the Court should not entertain any reimbursement to Gabrielle for  
2 waste. Dennis argued that both *Putterman* and *Lofgren* involved factual scenarios where  
3 the marital estate diminished in value as a result of the spending of one spouse. In the  
4 instant matter, it is undisputed that, not only did the marital estate *not* diminish in  
5 value from 2004 through the divorce action, but the marital community increased in  
6 value exponentially. Dennis also challenged Anthem Forensics reliance on labels to  
7 quantify alleged "waste." Although Mr. Teichner was critical of the labeling of  
8 expenditures in the Anthem Report, he nevertheless opined that "Dennis should have  
9 had the freedom to spend a relatively small percentage of his sizable annual  
10 compensation on discretionary expenditures, as should anyone else." Teichner Report  
11 3. In response to a query about "[w]hat is the amount of money somebody can spend  
12 on a girlfriend without it being community waste?," Mr. Teichner testified:

13 Well, I don't think there's any threshold amount. . . You've got to take  
14 in context as to whether those expenditures would have been made  
15 otherwise. You got to take into account how much was expended, what  
16 the person's earnings were, whether or not that person is living, is apart  
17 from their normal spouse and for how long. . . You've gotta take the  
18 expenditures in context and then say, what's reasonable? Are these living  
19 expenses expenditures that Mr. Kogod would have spent anyway had he  
20 not had a girlfriend. . . Or are they a little bit more? And, if they're a  
21 little bit more, then still is he dissipating the marital estate by doing this  
22 while his income is going up, while his net worth is going up. I think you  
23 have to take this all into context.

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25 Again, . . . you've gotta take everything into context. If he's living apart  
26 from his wife, he's got his own life, she's got . . . the wife has her own life.  
27 Yes, *I think you're entitled to go out and have friends, have girlfriends, you*  
28 *know, have some entertainment enjoyment in your life.*



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2 February 26, 2016 Video: 14:04; 14:10 (emphasis added)

3 As a preliminary observation, the analysis of the Anthem Report does not appear  
4 to quantify the parties' expenditures in a comparative analysis. Indeed, the issue of  
5 waste is not necessarily a matter of equalizing or even comparing the amount of  
6 expenditures by each party. In fact, over the span of their analysis (and relying on each  
7 party's respective financial disclosure forms), Ms. Allen testified that Dennis would  
8 have spent \$2.4 million, compared to \$1.8 million spent by Gabrielle. February 26,  
9 2016 Video: 9:20. This difference is of no consequence to the Court and equality of  
10 spending is not determinative of whether a compelling reason exists to unequally divide  
11 existing community assets. To engage in such an analysis would contravene the  
12 directives of *Putterman* by getting caught-up in the "over consumption" of one party or  
13 the "under contribution" of the other party. 113 Nev. at 606, 939 P.2d at 1048-49.  
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17 Apart from not focusing on a comparison of each party's relative expenditures,  
18 it also does not appear that the Anthem Report questioned or critiqued the amount  
19 spent on the categories identified in either party's financial disclosure forms. Ms. Allen  
20 testified that Anthem Forensics accepted as reasonable Dennis' expense claims on his  
21 financial disclosure forms (hereinafter generically referred to as "FDFs").<sup>47</sup> Indeed, it  
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25 <sup>47</sup>The parties' Financial Disclosure Forms admitted into the record include: Gabrielle's  
26 Financial Disclosure Form (Feb. 25, 2015) (Exhibit XX) (hereinafter referred to as Gabrielle's  
27 "2015 FDF"); Gabrielle's Financial Disclosure Form (Feb. 19, 2016) (Exhibit 1) (hereinafter  
28 referred to as Gabrielle's "2016 FDF"); Dennis' Financial Disclosure Form (Feb. 27, 2015)  
(Exhibit 4) (hereinafter referred to as Dennis' "February 2015 FDF"); Dennis' Financial  
Disclosure Form (May 29, 2015) (Exhibit 3) (hereinafter referred to as Dennis' "May 2015  
FDF"); and Dennis' Financial Disclosure Form (Feb. 16, 2016) (Exhibit 2) (hereinafter referred  
to as Dennis' "February 2016 FDF").

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2 is reasonable for this Court to expect that the expense amounts represented by each  
3 party in their FDFs are accurate (and that any amounts spent in excess thereof would  
4 require an accounting and explanation). The experts similarly should be able to rely<sup>48</sup>  
5 on said sworn financial declarations to establish the amount each party spends monthly  
6 on the expenditures listed therein.<sup>49</sup>  
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8 Based on this Court's review of the evidence, including the reports submitted by  
9 the parties' respective experts, this Court finds that the total amount of waste  
10 committed by Dennis was \$4,087,863. Dennis failed to meet his burden by clear and  
11 convincing evidence (or even a preponderance of the evidence) that this amount was  
12 not wasted. In this regard, a compelling reason exists to divide the assets unequally by  
13 attributing to Dennis as part of his distribution of assets the sum of \$4,087,863. Thus,  
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16 <sup>48</sup>This Court recognizes that each party's FDF may not reflect actual expenditures  
17 throughout the marriage or even dating back to 2010. There is nothing in the record, however,  
18 that demonstrates that either party's legitimate and appropriate spending was higher prior to  
19 the commencement of the divorce (or in any prior year during the marriage). Taking into  
20 account the combined annual income of the parties prior to 2010, it appears unlikely that the  
21 parties' spending was as high as they each reported in their respective FDFs. Thus, reliance on  
22 current FDFs to calculate spending practices would tend to understate the level of wasteful  
23 spending by giving each party credit for more than he/she actually spent.

24 <sup>49</sup>At a minimum, "living expenses include all payments for food, clothing, housing,  
25 transportation, and medical costs incurred by the parties. Living expenses clearly do not  
26 include expenditures for the benefit of a paramour, or transactions which are legally or morally  
27 reprehensible." Brett R. Turner, *Equitable Distribution of Property* vol. 2 §6.105, 578, 581-582  
28 (3d. ed., Thomson West 2005). Where the parties have physically separated and in their own  
residences, they are each entitled to their "reasonable" living expenses. However, what is  
"reasonable" depends on the particular facts and circumstances in each case, taking into  
account the value of the marital estate, the marital standard of living, and the established  
pattern of expenditure. Erika Driskell, *Dissipation of Marital Assets and Preliminary Injunctions:  
A Preventive Approach to Safeguarding Marital Assets*, 20 J. Am. Acad. Matrim. Law 135, 144  
(2006). Thus, even discretionary expenditures consistent with the marital standard of living  
can be included as reasonable living expenses. "[T]he parties are not required to live Spartan  
lifestyles during separation." Brett R. Turner, *Equitable Distribution of Property* vol. 2 §6.105,  
580 (3d. ed., Thomson West 2005).

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2 for purposes of accounting and calculation, this amount should be included as an asset  
3 on Dennis' side of the marital balance sheet ledger. This amount is based on the  
4 discussion of the specific areas of waste/dissipation identified in the Anthem Report.  
5 With respect to the different "buckets" of alleged waste, this Court additionally finds  
6 as follows:  
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8 (a) Nadya and Dennis/Nadya's Children: Total Waste: \$1,808,112  
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10 Preliminarily, Dennis acknowledged that Gabrielle did not and would not have  
11 approved of spending any community funds on Nadya or their children. Thus,  
12 contrary to his argument, this Court *cannot* find that Gabrielle "tacitly agreed" to  
13 Dennis' spending. The Anthem Report details that a total of more than \$1.6 million  
14 of community funds were diverted from the marital community for the benefit and  
15 support of Nadya and Nadya and Dennis' children.  
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17 The Anthem Report also provides that, based on Dennis' deposition testimony,  
18 he provided Nadya with approximately \$3,000 in cash each month. Thus, "we have  
19 estimated that Dennis provided Nadya with approximately \$279,000 from March 2008  
20 through November 2015." Anthem Report 11. As discussed below, this Court is  
21 attributing waste to Dennis from 2010 forward for monies not elsewhere classified  
22 (which includes a category for withdrawals and cash advances (Reference 123 of  
23 Exhibit 6 to Anthem Report)). Accordingly, and to avoid potential duplication with  
24 "withdrawal" and "cash advance" categories, this Court is not inclined to include the  
25 total amount as part of the waste calculation. Nevertheless, it is reasonable and  
26 appropriate to find that an additional \$72,000 was given to Nadya in cash from March  
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2 2008 through February 2010 (the month preceding Dennis' filing of the initial  
3 Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010). Such a consideration avoids potential  
4 duplication (as pre-2010 expenditures have been excluded from the monies not  
5 elsewhere classified) and is sufficiently certain based on the record so as to establish a  
6 *prima facie* showing of waste that Dennis has acknowledged.  
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8 Pursuant to the Anthem Response Report, an additional \$54,934 in  
9 expenditures was discovered from additional account statements produced after the  
10 completion of the Anthem Report. This amount should be included as part of the total  
11 amount of funds spent on Nadya.<sup>50</sup> Combined with the \$1,681,178 set forth in  
12 Exhibit 2 to the Anthem Report, the expenditures total \$1,808,112.  
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14 The Anthem Report summarizes the types of expenditures included as part of  
15 this total, with Exhibit 2 attached thereto setting forth the detail of these expenditures  
16 dating back to 2008. The Anthem Report noted that additional information is needed  
17 to "assess the amount of cash that was provided to Nadya." Anthem Report 10. The  
18 Anthem Report also notes that "missing source documentation was requested during  
19 the course of our engagement," but that additional documentation has not been  
20 received. Anthem Report 6-7. Thus, it appears that the amount identified by the  
21 Anthem Report may have understated the actual expenditures from the marital  
22 community that benefitted Nadya and the children.  
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28 <sup>50</sup>It appears that some of these additional expenditures were for Jennifer's benefit  
(including Jennifer's legal fees of more than \$8,000). Whether it was for Nadya or Jennifer,  
it is the same analytically for this Court.

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2 Dennis complained that the Anthem Report failed to recognize that a portion  
3 of the grocery (or other) expenses listed under the Nadya/children category may have  
4 benefitted him (and therefore should be either excluded or reduced). Contrary to his  
5 claim, however, Ms. Allen testified that adjustments were in fact made based on the  
6 amount Dennis claimed for the same expenditure (e.g., grocery expenses) on his May  
7 2015 FDF. Further, it appears that this section of the report did not include  
8 allocations "for living expenses paid directly by Dennis such as utilities, groceries,  
9 property taxes, and costs related to the Overland apartment, the Edinburgh home, and  
10 the Oak Pass home. These costs are discussed later in this report." *Id.* 11. Finally, it  
11 is notable that Anthem Forensics had not received information regarding account  
12 activity/expenditures for Nadya for the period of time dating back to January 2004.  
13 Thus, it appears that the \$1,808,112 likely understates the amount spent on Nadya  
14 and the children.  
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18 Mr. Teichner testified, and Dennis argued, that the money he spent on Nadya  
19 and the children would have been spent elsewhere and speculated that such other  
20 "hobby" would have been more costly financially to the marital community. Thus,  
21 independent of his challenge to the forensic tracing of these expenditures to Nadya and  
22 the children, Dennis submits that this spending should not even be considered or  
23 categorized as waste. In support of this argument, Dennis offered analysis of the  
24 relatively low percentage of expenditures on his Nadya "hobby" in comparison to his  
25 total income:  
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2 [The Anthem Report] assumes potential community waste on the premise  
3 that Dennis was not entitled to spend monies the way that he chose to  
4 do so. If there had not been expenditures by Dennis for Nadya and their  
5 children, for Jennifer, or for other items for which Anthem alleges  
6 [p]otential community waste, he may have spent the money elsewhere  
7 while living apart from Gabrielle. However Dennis chose to spend his  
8 money from 2004 through the date of [the Anthem Report] cannot be  
9 assumed to be potential community waste, especially in light of the  
10 amount of his spending in relation to his dramatically increasing annual  
11 income and due to the fact that the purpose of many of the expenditures  
12 in [the Anthem Report] are either mischaracterized or unknown.

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14 Teichner Report 3.

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16 This argument somewhat presupposes that this Court should recognize a wealth  
17 exception to the analysis of waste. In other words, Dennis could have and should have  
18 been allowed to spend community funds on any "hobby" or pursuit (including a  
19 girlfriend "hobby") based on the sheer size of the marital estate and amount of income  
20 he has generated. Alternatively, such an argument suggests that all spouses should have  
21 a similar percentage of their budget to spend on such things as girlfriends/boyfriends.  
22 In the context of this case, this Court cannot ratify or condone such a theory or  
23 argument. It is for a higher court to declare that community funds spent on a girlfriend  
24 and children born of a secret affair is not waste of the other spouse's present and  
25 existing share of those community funds.<sup>51</sup> The nature of the expenditure (i.e., is the  
26 expense item contrary to the maintenance of marital harmony?), is relevant to the

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28 <sup>51</sup>A distinction should be drawn between expenditures on the support of children of  
another relationship born prior to marriage versus during marriage. Indeed, expenditures on  
children born prior to a marriage are inapposite to this analysis. Such a "pre-existing"  
condition necessarily requires the financial support of a parent and is not inherently inimical  
to a marriage. In contrast, carrying on a secret relationship that bore children is inherently  
inimical to the continued existence of a harmonious marital relationship.

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2 Court's determination of whether it is merely a "lifestyle" choice (i.e., a legitimate  
3 hobby) or "waste" that justifies an unequal division of assets. The notion that  
4 spending money on a girlfriend or boyfriend is somehow acceptable conduct and that  
5 this Court would "open the floodgates for these type of claims" (Dennis' Brief 30) by  
6 requiring reimbursement in some form is not a tenable argument.  
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8 Dennis also pointed out that Gabrielle was free to spend money on any hobby  
9 or pursuit and that he never imposed any limitations on her spending or criticized her  
10 spending. Neither did Dennis monitor Gabrielle's spending. In short, Gabrielle was  
11 never restricted in her spending or her access to money. The record reflects, however,  
12 that Gabrielle did not spend extravagantly. To the contrary, she would inform Dennis  
13 of transactions as small as gifting a washer and dryer. *See* Exhibit 20 (October 21,  
14 2011 message from Gabrielle inquiring: "Jennifer needs a washer. Okay for her to have  
15 ours?"). This Court finds and concludes that Gabrielle's unrestrained access to and use  
16 of community funds does not overcome the finding and conclusion that Dennis'  
17 spending (both unaccounted and accounted) is a compelling reason to divide the  
18 community assets unequally between the parties.  
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22 Dennis failed to demonstrate with credible evidence that the expenditures set  
23 forth on Exhibit 2 to the Anthem Report and Exhibit 2 to the Anthem Response  
24 Report were not diverted from the marital community and that the total amount  
25 reflected therein does not constitute marital waste. Therefore, this Court finds a  
26 compelling reason exists to unequally divide the community assets by attributing the  
27 sum of \$1,808,112 as part of Dennis' division of assets.  
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2 (b) Jennifer: Total Waste: \$45,100

3 The Anthem Report details that \$45,100 of community funds were diverted  
4 from the marital community for Jennifer's benefit. The Anthem Report summarizes  
5 the types of expenditures included as part of this total, with Exhibit 4 attached thereto  
6 setting forth the detail of these expenditures. The evidence also establishes that Dennis  
7 purchased a sapphire ring intended for Jennifer worth \$14,000. The record reflects  
8 that the sapphire ring remains in Dennis' possession.  
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11 Dennis failed to demonstrate with credible evidence that the \$45,100 amount  
12 was not diverted from the marital community. Therefore, this Court finds a compelling  
13 reason exists to unequally divide the community assets by attributing the sum of  
14 \$45,100 as part of Dennis' division of assets. Moreover, the sapphire ring is confirmed  
15 to Dennis as his sole and separate property, with a value of \$14,000.  
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17 (c) Yacht: Total Waste: \$0.00

18 During the marriage, Dennis sold and purchased two yachts. First, he purchased  
19 a 2007 Cruiser yacht in 2012. He traded the Cruiser yacht for a Marquis yacht in June  
20 2014 (while these divorce proceedings were pending). Although the Marquis yacht was  
21 acquired in the name of Dennis' parents, it is undisputed that Dennis funded the entire  
22 purchase and his parents had no interest in the yacht. In July 2015, Dennis sold the  
23 Marquis yacht for \$990,000. Anthem Forensics determined that Dennis spent  
24 \$626,658 in excess of the sales proceeds on yacht-related expenses.  
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2 Dennis testified that his purchase of the yachts was his pursuit of a hobby that  
3 replaced old hobbies that were no longer physically practical.<sup>52</sup> Although this Court  
4 recognizes that Dennis' newfound "hobby" was not disclosed to Gabrielle and it does  
5 not appear that she ever expressly consented to these expenditures, this Court finds  
6 that Dennis' yacht expenditures are the type of "over consumption" referenced in  
7 *Putterman*, that does not necessarily constitute a compelling circumstance for an  
8 unequal division of assets. *Putterman*, 939 P.2d at 1048-49. This finding takes into  
9 consideration the size of the marital estate (i.e., lifestyle considerations) and Dennis'  
10 argument that his spending on such a hobby did not cause a diminution in value of the  
11 marital estate. Combined with a finding that this type of expenditure is not necessarily  
12 inimical to the maintenance of a harmonious marital relationship, this Court finds that  
13 these expenditures do not provide the Court with a compelling reason to unequally  
14 divide the community property. Thus, this Court does not attribute any amount to  
15 Dennis as part of the division of assets.

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19 (d) Family Expenditures: Total Waste: \$72,200

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21 During their marriage, the parties donated monies for the benefit of other family  
22 members. Most of these contributions, however, benefitted Dennis' family members.  
23 It appears that the donations or monies forwarded to Gabrielle's family members were  
24 limited primarily to small birthday gifts and contributions to expenses associated with  
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<sup>52</sup>Ironically, the parties' Lake Las Vegas home was located on the lake with a large dock.  
At no time, however, did the parties own a boat at Lake Las Vegas.

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2 property inherited by Gabrielle and her siblings. With respect to Dennis' family, the  
3 contributions to his family members included the following:

- 4       ○ The March 2013 purchase of the property located at 321 South San  
5       Vicente, Boulevard, Los Angeles, California (hereinafter referred to as the  
6       "San Vicente" property) where Dennis' parents reside. This property is  
7       listed as part of the division of community assets in this divorce. See  
8       Exhibit 1. (Dennis' parents testified that they believed the property  
9       would belong to Dennis upon their passing. Although his father signed  
10      a note for the property, he did not believe Dennis would require any  
11      payments and he has not, in fact, made any payments on the note.)
- 12      ○ Dennis has paid and continues to pay the property taxes and homeowners  
13      association dues (approximately \$600 per month according to Dennis'  
14      father) for the San Vicente property. Further, Dennis has paid and  
15      continues to pay for his parents' car insurance.
- 16      ○ For a period of time, Dennis contributed \$1,000 per month for the  
17      support of his parents.
- 18      ○ Dennis gave his father \$50,000 to contribute to a political campaign.
- 19      ○ Dennis purchased the property located at 434 South Canon Drive,  
20      Beverly Hills, California (hereinafter referred to as the "Canon Condo")  
21      for the benefit of his brother's family. The Canon Condo is also listed as  
22      a community asset in the divorce. See Exhibit 1.
- 23      ○ Dennis advanced money to his brother, Mitchell Kogod, to assist with the  
24      opening of Mitchell's restaurant. Dennis also paid attorney's fees on  
25      Mitchell's behalf. It is unclear, however, whether this amount has been  
26      repaid.

27       As noted above, it was not uncommon for Gabrielle to communicate with  
28       Dennis about all expenditures or "gifting" of even relatively small items of personal  
property. Further, although Gabrielle had the freedom to spend without limitation, she  
did not spend community funds either recklessly or without Dennis' prior knowledge.  
Dennis did not reciprocate. Such one-sided communication, however, was not

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2 uncommon throughout the marriage. In fact, Gabrielle complained on November 23,  
3 2010 that:

4 Our finances are what we've been contributing to and building together  
5 over the course of our marriage. My thought was that any decisions  
6 being made about what we – individually or jointly — would do with  
7 them would have been, at least discussed. . . . I'm asking that, before any  
8 more decisions be made, you do make me aware of them and that we  
9 work them out together.

10 Exhibit 23. On December 12, 2013, however, Gabrielle lamented:

11 And one of the saddest things is that, *throughout our marriage*, you've  
12 pretty much always done what you wanted to do, whether it was cars,  
13 cats, travel, moving and buying homes – whatever. I always wanted you  
14 to be happy and have what you wanted, way back to when we were just  
15 starting out. I don't know why, at some point you felt the need to start  
16 doing things without telling me, and it got to a point where that simply  
17 became your way of doing things.

18 *Id.* (emphasis added).

19 Notwithstanding the lack of communication by Dennis to Gabrielle about the  
20 assistance that he provided to his direct family members, this Court finds and  
21 concludes that, with exception to the specific expenditures discussed below, said  
22 expenditures should not receive the same level of scrutiny as those monies spent on  
23 non or new family members concealed from Gabrielle. Although it is undisputed that  
24 Gabrielle did not share a close or friendly relationship with Dennis' family, such family-  
25 related expenditures, even when not disclosed or agreed to, are not necessarily inimical  
26 to a harmonious marital relationship when viewed in the context of this marital estate.  
27 When questioned about Dennis' spending on his parents, Gabrielle acknowledged that  
28 such spending was not inappropriate, exclaiming, "they are his parents." Gabrielle

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2 qualified her testimony by emphasizing that these expenditures should be discussed  
3 and that "you come to a decision together." Nevertheless, Dennis' expenditures on  
4 family members was relatively long-standing and regular.

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6 Although a married couple may disagree about money spent on family members  
7 (and such disagreements may result in discord), such gifts standing alone should not  
8 be deemed dissipation or waste without examining the context of the expenditures,  
9 including consideration of the overall marital estate and implied consent under the  
10 facts and circumstances of this case. Ultimately, this Court does not find that, again  
11 with the exception of those items discussed below, such expenditures constitute a  
12 compelling reason to divide the community property unequally. Moreover, the assets  
13 acquired for the benefit of Dennis' family members are captured in the Marital Balance  
14 Sheet as community assets confirmed to Dennis with Gabrielle receiving her one-half  
15 interest as a result.

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18 The foregoing findings are limited to those expenditures that benefitted direct  
19 family members, which this Court defines as Dennis' parents, Dennis' siblings and  
20 Dennis' children from his *prior* marriage. It appears that Dennis gifted community  
21 funds to an aunt totaling \$15,000 in August and September 2014. Exhibit 75. These  
22 gifts took place after the issuance of the Joint Preliminary Injunction (May 15, 2014).  
23 Dennis failed to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that said \$15,000 is not  
24 waste of community assets or that this particular family member was the beneficiary  
25 of regular and routine gifts. Further, since May 2014, Dennis made what appear to be  
26 two non-routine large payments of \$3,600 each (in January and May 2015) to his  
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1 father, Sheldon Kogod. These payments occurred after the initiation of these divorce  
2 proceedings and do not appear to be related to his parents' routine and regular support.  
3 Finally, the \$50,000 Dennis advanced to his father for a campaign contribution cannot  
4 be classified as an appropriate expenditure of community funds.  
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7 Dennis failed to demonstrate with credible evidence that the \$72,200 detailed  
8 above was not improperly diverted from the marital community. Therefore, this Court  
9 finds a compelling reason exists to unequally divide the community assets by  
10 attributing the sum of \$72,200 as part of Dennis' division of assets.  
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12 (e) Amounts Not Elsewhere Classified: Total Waste: \$2,162,451

13 Anthem Forensics included as part of its analysis a category or "bucket" of  
14 expenditures not elsewhere classified in the Anthem Report. Anthem Forensics  
15 explained:  
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17 While we have sought to identify potential community waste related to  
18 specific cost centers, the documentation that we have thus far received  
19 has prevented us from being able to precisely allocate other outflows  
20 between Dennis and non-community uses. As such, we have prepared a  
summary of outflows between Dennis and non-community uses.

21 Anthem Report 13.

22 Anthem Forensics aggregated the outflows by category and year in Exhibit 6 to  
23 the Anthem Report. For ease of reference, Exhibit 6 to the Anthem Report is attached  
24 hereto as this Court's Exhibit 2. Anthem Forensics then made adjustments to the  
25 amounts that included: (1) removing amounts that were already included in the marital  
26 balance sheet as part of the property division; (2) removing amounts already allocated  
27 elsewhere in the Anthem Report; (3) adjusting the amounts that Anthem Forensics  
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1 assumed "may have reasonably benefitted the community" (even though Dennis did  
2 not provide proof that such a community benefit existed);<sup>53</sup> and (4) adjusting amounts  
3 based on Dennis' representations in his May 2015 FDF and his deposition testimony  
4 of his monthly spending on a particular expense item.  
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7 As previously noted, it appears Anthem Forensics accepted and relied on Dennis'  
8 representations regarding his monthly expenditures as he defined them in his May  
9 2015 FDF. Although Dennis and Mr. Teichner complained that Anthem Forensics  
10 somehow placed Dennis on an "allowance" or set limits on his expenditures, the record  
11 establishes that Anthem Forensics relied on Dennis' claimed expenses (or, in other  
12 words, Dennis himself defined his monthly "allowance" for each expenditure based on  
13 his sworn May 2015 FDF). After allocating or crediting certain categories with the  
14 amount of expenses claimed by Dennis in his May 2015 FDF, Anthem Forensics  
15 allocated the excess amount by category into "amounts not elsewhere classified."  
16 Anthem Forensics also offered that some of the entries could not be determined  
17 without additional information. Thus, having already given credit to Dennis of the  
18 amount he claimed as his monthly expense in his May 2015 FDF, the amounts  
19 reflected in Exhibit 6 to the Anthem Report (and attached hereto as this Court's  
20 Exhibit 2) appear to be the excess amounts for which information is lacking or Dennis  
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26 <sup>53</sup>Under Note 5 to Exhibit 6, Anthem Forensics gave Dennis the benefit of the doubt.  
27 In this regard, although Anthem Forensics lacked information to determine whether these  
28 expenditures benefitted the martial community, Anthem Forensics ultimately concluded that  
the expenditures *may have* benefitted the community. Therefore, these amounts were not  
included as excess expenditures not elsewhere classified despite the fact that Dennis failed to  
provide an accounting.

1 has failed to otherwise justify. It was Dennis' burden to demonstrate that such  
2 unaccounted expenditures did not constitute waste.<sup>54</sup>

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4 After making adjustments to the category totals, the Anthem Report identifies  
5 a total of \$3,611,035.84 in "non-community outflows not elsewhere classified." As  
6 noted above, this total is broken down into specific references in Exhibit 6 to the  
7 Anthem Report. In response thereto, the Teichner Report included the same exhibit  
8 with deletions (represented by a "D" in his Schedule 1) for those "expenditures for  
9 assets, investments, loan repayments and other items that should not be assumed by  
10 [Anthem Forensics] to be potential community waste." For ease of reference, Schedule  
11 1 to the Teichner Report is also included as part of this Court's Exhibit 2. This Court  
12 finds that sufficient evidence exists to make the following additional downward  
13 adjustments (organized by the corresponding "Reference number" in Exhibit 2):  
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Reference number	Description/ Category	Adjustment amount	Explanation
7	Auto Related – GMAC (Cadillac)	\$273,000.00	Associated with real property that is subject to division and is unrelated to an automobile (notwithstanding the confusion created at Dennis' deposition); some entries pre-date 2010.
17	Bank Fees: Cash Advantage	\$3,182.97	No <i>prima facie</i> showing that category of expenditures constitutes waste; some entries pre-date 2010.

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26 <sup>54</sup>Dennis also complained that Gabrielle scrutinized "nickel" and "dime" expenditures  
27 that would be impractical to account for. He cited to the discussion before this Court at a prior  
28 hearing (and noted above) about establishing a \$5,000 "baseline" amount for review of Dennis' spending. Considering the fact that Dennis abdicated his responsibility to account for his waste of community assets, this Court is not inclined to entertain argument about ignoring all expenditures below \$5,000 for purposes of determining waste.

Reference number	Description/ Category	Adjustment amount	Explanation
18	Bank Fees: Finance	\$7,337.72	No <i>prima facie</i> showing that category of expenditures constitutes waste; some entries pre-date 2010.
20	Bank Fees: Interest	\$17,669.60	No <i>prima facie</i> showing that category of expenditures constitutes waste; small entry pre-dates 2010.
21	Bank Fees: Loan interest	\$26,989.96	No <i>prima facie</i> showing that category of expenditures constitutes waste.
23	Capital Call – Mutual fund	\$25,000.00	Loss from investment; is not sufficient alone to constitute a compelling reason for an unequal division of assets.
68-74	Loan Payments: Bank of America: \$249,821.56; Chase: \$4,598.06; UBS: \$87,749.66; US Bank: \$22,146.96; Washington Mutual: \$91,961.20; Wells Fargo: \$13,245.25; LOC: \$124,121.04.	\$593,743.73	These loan payments appear to be associated with property that is part of the Marital Balance Sheet. Line of credit was used for investment purposes. These expenditures do not constitute a compelling reason for an unequal division of assets. Also, some entries pre-date 2010.
76	Markdale Corp.	\$7,300.00	Pre-dates 2010.
80	Need Cancelled Check	\$172,435.94	Pre-dates 2010.
95	Property Management	\$8,953.00	These payments are associated with property that is included in the Marital Balance Sheet. Accordingly, these expenditures do not constitute a compelling reason for an unequal division of assets.
TOTAL:		\$1,135,612.92	

This Court finds that the foregoing expenditures do not constitute a sufficiently compelling basis to divided the parties' assets unequally. In addition to these specific references set forth above, various categories of expenditures included expenditures that pre-date 2010. As discussed previously, *for purposes of evaluating amounts not elsewhere*



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2 *classified*, this Court is not persuaded to include expenditures that pre-date 2010.<sup>55</sup>

3 Thus, the following additional adjustments (by reference number) should be included  
4 as part of the amounts not elsewhere classified:

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6 (26) "CC Payment – Black Card": \$615.25;  
7 (27) "CC Payment – BofA": \$56,133.39;  
8 (29) "CC Payment – CitiCards": \$40,781.95;  
9 (31) "Cellular – AT&T": \$4,771.82 (½ of pre-2010 expenditures consistent with  
10 adjustment reflected in Exhibit 2);  
11 (33) "Checks written to Cash": \$4,850.00;  
12 (43) "Dues & Subscriptions – Fitness (CA)": \$4,334.00;\*<sup>56</sup>  
13 (51) "Gas/Fuel": \$916.85\*;  
14 (54) "Groceries": \$2,757.21\*;  
15 (56) "Home related": \$1,547.00;  
16 (59) "Home related (CA)": \$12,427.66;  
17 (75) "Lodging": \$28,382.06;  
18 (76) "Meals and entertainment": \$25,213.41;  
19 (79) "Moving expenses": \$3,513.63;  
20 (82) "Payments to individuals": \$4,039.03\*;  
21 (104) "Shopping": \$23,948.66\*;  
22 (114) "Uncategorized": \$8,140.69\*;  
23 (123) "Withdrawals and cash advances": \$90,598.28.\*<sup>57</sup>

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25 The foregoing additional adjustments total \$312,971, for a combined  
26 adjustment amount of \$1,448,584. Deducting \$1,448,584 from the total of amounts  
27 not elsewhere classified leaves a remaining total of \$2,162,451 in such expenditures not  
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22 <sup>55</sup>*In part*, some of these *unaccounted* pre-2010 expenditures fall into the "nickel and dime"  
23 category that this Court is not inclined to entertain as part of the waste analysis. Heightened  
24 scrutiny is more appropriate for such *unaccounted* expenditures beginning in 2010 when the  
marriage was indisputably broken and the parties were permanently separated.

25 <sup>56</sup>Those entries denoted above by an asterisk ("\*") were calculated by determining the  
26 percentage amount attributed to pre-2010 expenditures in relation to the total amount and  
27 then multiplied by the "Adjusted" amount. Thus, where an adjustment was already included  
as part of the "Adjusted" amount, the full amount was not credited to avoid duplicating the  
reduction. Instead, the applicable percentage amount was used.

28 <sup>57</sup>Part of this amount was recaptured by this Court by including \$72,000 as part of the  
cash given to Nadya from March 2008 through February 2010.

1 justified by Dennis. This Court finds sufficient justification in the record to conclude  
2 that the foregoing adjustments are appropriate in the context of the spending from the  
3 marital estate. However, with respect to the remaining \$2,162,451, this Court is  
4 unable to make a similar finding. Specifically, Dennis failed to meet his burden to  
5 show that \$2,162,451 was not "wasted" or that said amount was used for community  
6 purposes. Accordingly, this Court finds that a compelling reason exists to unequally  
7 divide the community assets by attributing the sum of \$2,162,451 as part of Dennis'  
8 division of assets.  
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12 Notably, as part of the Teichner Report, Dennis argued for the elimination of  
13 the following itemized "References" (with the parenthetical description of those items  
14 not discussed above by this Court): 7, 9 (auto-related not elsewhere classified), 23, 57  
15 (home related – art (Wilshire apt.)), 64 (legal fees), 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 79, 80,  
16 95, 114, and 122 (wire transfer – unknown) for total "eliminations" of \$1,768,251.69  
17 "Before Accounting for Elimination of Business Related and Normal Living Expenses."  
18 Many of the References to which Dennis objected have resulted in further adjustments  
19 from the total as set forth above. For those References that Dennis argued for removal,  
20 but have not been deducted or adjusted by this Court, Dennis failed to satisfy by clear  
21 and convincing evidence his burden to demonstrate that those unaccounted monies did  
22 not constitute waste. Moreover, some of the auto-related expenditures took place after  
23 the issuance of the Joint Preliminary Injunction and Dennis failed to meet his burden  
24 to justify said expenditures. Accordingly, there is a compelling reason to divide the  
25 assets unequally by the resulting amount of \$2,162,451.  
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2 (f) Opportunity Cost of Potential Community Waste

3 Gabrielle argued that she should be compensated for the opportunity cost "of  
4 foregone returns" associated with Dennis' use of community assets and income for  
5 purposes that did not benefit the marital community. Anthem Report 16. Further,  
6 Gabrielle also argued that she should be compensated for lost rental income for real  
7 property in which a family member or Nadya and the children resided. Although the  
8 Anthem Report did not identify a specific dollar amount of reimbursement, the  
9 Anthem Report cited Dennis' deposition testimony that the "targeted rate of return on  
10 his UBS accounts approximated 3.5 to 4.5 percent after taxes." *Id.*

13 This Court is not inclined to either find or conclude that, under the  
14 circumstances of this case, there is a compelling reason to divide the assets unequally  
15 on the basis of "foregone returns" associated with the diversion of community funds  
16 by Dennis. Independent of the speculative nature of evaluating such an opportunity  
17 cost, this Court takes into consideration the precipitous increase in the value of the  
18 marital estate during a period of time in which the marital relationship was irretrievably  
19 broken. Although this finding does not excuse the waste that this Court previously  
20 found Dennis to have committed, the fact that there was no diminution in the value  
21 of the marital estate is relevant to the Court's consideration of this issue raised by  
22 Gabrielle. Moreover, this Court similarly finds that potential lost rental income from  
23 real property in which either Dennis or a family member resided is not a sufficiently  
24 compelling reason for an unequal division of assets in this matter.  
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2 In summary, this Court finds that a compelling reason exists to unequally divide  
3 the assets of the marital community pursuant to NRS 125.150 by attributing to Dennis  
4 the following amounts as part of the division of assets:

5 ☐ Nadya and Dennis/Nadya's Children: \$1,808,112  
6 ☐ Jennifer: \$45,100  
7 ☐ Family Expenditures: \$72,200  
8 ☐ Amounts Not Elsewhere Classified: \$2,162,451

9 TOTAL: \$4,087,863

10 IV. SANCTIONS

11 Gabrielle also seeks sanctions against Dennis for his violation of this Court's  
12 Joint Preliminary Injunction (May 15, 2014) and the terms of the parties' Stipulation  
13 and Order (Aug. 10, 2015). As noted previously, Gabrielle's request for contempt  
14 failed to include a sufficient affidavit from Gabrielle consistent with *Awad v. Wright*,  
15 106 Nev. 407, 794 P.2d 713 (1990), abrogated on different grounds by *Pengilly v.*  
16 *Rancho Sante Fe Homeowners Ass'n*, 116 Nev. 646, 5 P.3d 569 (2000). Nevertheless,  
17 pursuant to EDCR 7.60,<sup>58</sup> this Court may consider sanctions against Dennis for his  
18 conduct.  
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23 <sup>58</sup>EDCR 7.60 provides, in relevant part, as follows:

24 (b) The court may, after notice and an opportunity to be heard,  
25 impose upon an attorney or a party any and all sanctions which may, under the  
26 facts of the case, be reasonable, including the imposition of fines, costs or  
attorney's fees when an attorney or a party without just cause:

27 (1) So multiplies the proceedings in a case as to increase costs  
unreasonably and vexatiously.

28 (5) Fails or refuses to comply with any order of a judge of the  
court.

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2 With respect to Dennis' alleged violation of the Stipulation and Order (Aug. 10,  
3 2015), the terms thereof fail to provide this Court with an adequate basis to make  
4 findings of contempt (apart from the failure to include an appropriate *Awad* affidavit).  
5 The Stipulation and Order (Aug. 10, 2015) is devoid of any specific deadlines for the  
6 conduct required therein. Further, it appears from the record that the proceeds from  
7 the sale of the yacht have been preserved in the accounts being divided by this Court.  
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9 This Court's Joint Preliminary Injunction (May 15, 2014) (hereinafter  
10 referenced as the "JPI") provides, in relevant part, as follows:  
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12 YOU ARE HEREBY PROHIBITED AND RESTRAINED FROM:

13 1. Transferring, encumbering, concealing, selling or otherwise  
14 disposing of any of your joint, common or community property of the  
15 parties, or any property which is the subject of a claim of community  
16 interest, except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of  
17 life, without the written consent of the parties or the permission of the  
18 court.

19 The record reflects that, after the issuance of the JPI, Dennis spent more than  
20 \$10,000 on thirty-seven (37) individual transactions that totaled \$1,486,452. Exhibit  
21 73 (Examples of Outflows Greater than \$10,000 Since May 2014). These expenditures  
22 do not include his purchase of a yacht and his Wilshire residence (which have been  
23 captured in the Marital Balance Sheet attached hereto). These expenditures do not  
24 appear to qualify as the "necessities of life" or to have been made in "the *ordinary*  
25 course of business." Nevertheless, it appears that the amounts listed in Exhibit 73 are  
26 included in either the Anthem Report for purposes of accounting, or are part of the  
27 Marital Balance Sheet. This includes references in Exhibit 73 to categories contained  
28 in Exhibit 6 to the Anthem Report. Although these expenditures have been captured

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2 in the Anthem Report and included as part of this Court's analysis of community  
3 waste, each transaction violated the terms of the JPI. There is no wealth exception to  
4 the express terms of the JPI. This Court sanctions Dennis the sum of \$500.00 for each  
5 of the 39 violations itemized in Exhibit 73, for a total of \$19,500. Dennis should pay  
6 to Gabrielle the \$19,500 sanction within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Decree.  
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8 This Court is not inclined to find that sanctions should be imposed for the  
9 expenditures detailed in Exhibit 72 (Nadya/Children-Related Outflows Since May  
10 2014), or Exhibit 75 (Spreadsheet showing payments to or on behalf of Dennis' Family  
11 Members since May 2014). Again, these expenditures are included in other sections  
12 of the Anthem Report and have been considered by the Court with respect to the issue  
13 of waste. Further, many of the expenditures listed in Exhibit 72 and Exhibit 75 were  
14 for relatively small amounts and were for ongoing living expenses that this Court would  
15 not expect would cease upon the initiation of the divorce. Although these expenditures  
16 are appropriate for consideration in evaluating Gabrielle's claim of waste, this Court  
17 does not find a sufficient basis to impose additional monetary sanctions against  
18 Dennis.  
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## 22 V. ALIMONY

### 23 A. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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25 NRS 125.150 provides that, in granting a divorce, this Court "[m]ay award such  
26 alimony to the wife or to the husband, in a specified principal sum or as specified  
27 periodic payments, as appears just and equitable." NRS 125.150 further adds, in  
28 pertinent part, as follows:

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2 5. In granting a divorce, the court may also set apart such  
3 portion of the husband's separate property for the wife's support, the  
4 wife's separate property for the husband's support or the separate  
5 property of either spouse for the support of their children as is deemed  
6 just and equitable.

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8 9. In addition to any other factors the court considers relevant  
9 in determining whether to award alimony and the amount of such an  
10 award, the court shall consider:

- 11 (a) The financial condition of each spouse;  
12 (b) The nature and value of the respective  
13 property of each spouse;  
14 (c) The contribution of each spouse to any  
15 property held by the spouses pursuant to NRS 123.030;  
16 (d) The duration of the marriage;  
17 (e) The income, earning capacity, age and health  
18 of each spouse;  
19 (f) The standard of living during the marriage;  
20 (g) The career before the marriage of the spouse  
21 who would receive the alimony;  
22 (h) The existence of specialized education or  
23 training or the level of marketable skills attained by each  
24 spouse during the marriage;  
25 (i) The contribution of either spouse as  
26 homemaker;  
27 (j) The award of property granted by the court in  
28 the divorce, other than child support and alimony, to the  
spouse who would receive the alimony; and  
(k) The physical and mental condition of each  
party as it relates to the financial condition, health and  
ability to work of that spouse.

10. In granting a divorce, the court shall consider the need to  
grant alimony to a spouse for the purpose of obtaining training or  
education relating to a job, career or profession. In addition to any other  
factors the court considers relevant in determining whether such alimony  
should be granted, the court shall consider:

- (a) Whether the spouse who would pay such  
alimony has obtained greater job skills or education during  
the marriage; and

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2 (b) Whether the spouse who would receive such  
3 alimony provided financial support while the other spouse  
4 obtained job skills or education.

5 (Emphasis added).

6 There have been a number of cases from the Nevada Supreme Court over the  
7 years that have discussed various factors to consider when determining the propriety  
8 of an award of spousal support. For the most part, these factors have been codified in  
9 NRS 125.150(9). However, these eleven statutory guidelines provide no guidance as  
10 to the relative weight to be applied to each factor or the measure of balancing these  
11 factors. Further, there is no formula to be applied by this Court in calculating or  
12 determining the propriety of awarding spousal support or the amount thereof. Rather,  
13 this Court weighs and balances the foregoing factors to adjudicate this issue.

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15 Scholarly discussion of these statutory guidelines is instructive, specifically  
16 including the Honorable David A. Hardy's *Nevada Alimony: An Important Policy in Need*  
17 *of a Coherent Policy Purpose*, 9 NEV. L. J. 325 (2009). To this end, the statutory factors  
18 support a conclusion that spousal support is not limited to a "need" based  
19 determination. Rather, there are three general categories or theories of support. First,  
20 need based support (looking at need and ability to pay). Second, support that is in the  
21 nature of compensation for economic losses as a result of the marriage and divorce  
22 (which includes support that is based on the subordination of a career by one spouse,  
23 support that is adjunct to property division where the payor spouse has developed a  
24 "career asset," and support that is based on a spouse's reliance on the existence of  
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1 marriage). Finally, support that is intended for welfare avoidance, or to prevent a  
2 spouse from becoming a public charge.  
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4 The purpose of spousal support is not to equalize post-divorce incomes, but "to  
5 allow the recipient spouse to live as nearly as fairly possible to the station in life  
6 enjoyed before the divorce." *Shydler v. Shydler*, 114 Nev. 192, 198, 954 P.2d 37, 40  
7 (1998). Further, "[a]lthough the amount of community property to be divided  
8 between the parties may be considered in determining alimony," a spouse should not  
9 be required to deplete his/her share of community property for support. *Id.*, 114 Nev.  
10 at 198, 954 P.2d at 40. Further, this Court should not consider the respective "merits"  
11 of the parties in adjudicating the issue of spousal support. *Rodriguez v. Rodriguez*, 116  
12 Nev. 993, 13 P.3d 415 (2000). It is not a "sword to level the wrongdoer," nor is it a  
13 "prize to reward virtue." *Id.* 116 Nev. at 999, 13 P.3d 419. Rather, "Alimony is  
14 financial support paid from one spouse to the other whenever justice and equity require  
15 it." *Id.*  
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17 Prior to addressing Gabrielle's request for periodic spousal support, this Court  
18 disposes of the issue of rehabilitative support. Pursuant to NRS 125.150(10), this  
19 Court is required to consider whether there is a basis to award rehabilitative alimony.  
20 Based on the record before this Court, there is no basis for an award of rehabilitative  
21 alimony. There are no facts in the record establishing the existence of a plan for  
22 rehabilitation and no evidence establishing viable options for rehabilitation or training.  
23 Indeed, it appears that Gabrielle is satisfied with her existing career and there was no  
24 indication that she desired or needed further training or education. Moreover,  
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2 Gabrielle leaves the marriage with an educational background that is superior to  
3 Dennis. Gabrielle has neither sought nor presented facts that warrant consideration  
4 of rehabilitative support.

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6 B. FINDINGS OF FACT

7 Preliminarily, this Court finds that, taking into consideration Gabrielle's income  
8 (both from her employment and the passive income she will earn on the assets she  
9 receives as part of the division of community property), the spousal support considered  
10 by this Court is not need based or for the purpose of welfare avoidance. Nevertheless,  
11 there is a sufficient factual basis for the Court to consider an award of support that is  
12 in the nature of compensation for economic losses as a result of the marriage and  
13 divorce. With respect to the statutory factors to be considered, this Court finds as  
14 follows:  
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- 17 (1) The financial condition of each spouse; the income, earning  
18 capacity, age and health of each spouse; and the physical and  
19 mental condition of each party as it relates to the financial  
20 condition, health and ability to work of that spouse. NRS  
125.150(9)(a), (e) and (k)

21 Although the focus of these statutory factors is the recipient's need and payor's  
22 ability to pay, subsection (e) includes an element of examining the development by the  
23 payor of a career asset and reliance on the part of the recipient on the continuation of  
24 marriage. It is undisputed that both parties are capable of continuing to work and  
25 neither party suffers from any limiting mental or physical condition that inhibits their  
26 respective ability to earn income. Although Dennis referenced an upcoming hip  
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1 surgery, there is no evidence indicating that he will be unable to continue his  
2 employment in the future. Gabrielle is 58 years of age and Dennis is 57 years of age.

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4 In evaluating the financial condition of each spouse, this Court considers and  
5 defines the income of both Gabrielle and Dennis to evaluate their income and earning  
6 capacity. With respect to income earned by the parties during the marriage, the  
7 increase in Dennis' annual income has been dramatic. For example, in 2003, the  
8 parties reported \$826,179 in combined total income/adjusted gross income (with  
9 \$826,902 in "wages, salaries, tips").<sup>59</sup> Exhibit 16. From \$826,179 in income in 2003,  
10 their combined income thereafter is summarized as follows:  
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Year	Total/Adjusted Gross Income	Wages, salaries, tips	Exhibit
2004	\$821,971	\$819,175	15
2005	\$2,702,010	\$2,693,810	14
2006	\$825,618	\$793,804	13
2007	\$1,007,982	\$993,828	12
2008	\$1,062,424	\$1,066,662	11
2009	\$1,659,925	\$1,667,831	10
2010	\$2,484,867	\$2,485,526	9
2011	\$15,485,110	\$15,512,261	8
2012	\$21,535,200	\$21,401,381	7
2013	\$7,746,799	\$7,248,488	6

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<sup>59</sup>It appears that Gabrielle's portion of the parties' combined income was a very small percentage, *generally* less than five percent (5%). As a "Section 16" employee, Dennis' compensation is reported on a 10(k) form, which includes any transactions associated with stocks or stock options. Exhibits 91 through 98. Dennis' perquisites include private or personal "plane" hours and some health care contributions. Also, costs associated with his business travel generally are covered by the company up to a certain "good sense" point.

Year	Total/Adjusted Gross Income	Wages, salaries, tips	Exhibit
2014	\$14,976,489	\$14,459,056	5
2015 <sup>60</sup>		\$10,132,746.52	JJJJ

The record regarding the parties' 2015 income is incomplete and unclear. In this regard, Dennis' 2015 bonus was to be determined in March 2016 ( after the trial in this matter). According to Dennis, his projected income for the calendar year 2016 will be a base salary of \$700,000 to \$800,000. He will learn of his 2016 bonus in March of 2017.

As seen above, the parties' average annual adjusted gross income for the years 2011 through 2014 is \$14,935,899.50. Including 2010 as part of the analysis, the parties' average annual adjusted gross income over the five years (2010 through 2014) is \$12,445,693. Including Dennis' 2015 W-2 income, the average annual income for the five years from 2011 through 2015 is \$13,975,268.90. Dennis testified that his average income from 2011 through 2015 was \$13,000,000.

It is undisputed that Dennis' income historically has dwarfed Gabrielle's income throughout their marriage. It also is undisputed that Gabrielle's career was secondary to Dennis' career pursuits as evidenced by the parties' multiple relocations throughout their marriage. The parties agreed that it was more beneficial to follow Dennis' career. Even so, it does not appear that Gabrielle's career necessarily suffered or that she was ever precluded from pursuing employment.

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<sup>60</sup>The 2015 income information is limited to Dennis' 2015 W-2 Wage and Tax Statement from Renal Healthcare, Inc. Exhibit JJJJ. Therein, Dennis' reported 2015 "Medicare" wages of \$10,132,746.52, with income taxes withheld of \$3,798,481.09.

1 Gabrielle has worked as a nurse manager, nurse recruiter and a clinical nurse.  
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3 Although her Certified Legal Nurse Consultant credential lapsed in approximately  
4 2012, she has worked at Dignity Health for approximately ten years. She works 24  
5 hours per week (or 48 hours over a two-week pay period). Throughout their marriage,  
6 there was not an expectation that Gabrielle would work more than her present part-  
7 time employment. Gabrielle enjoys her current employment and, during the marriage,  
8 Dennis encouraged Gabrielle to remain with Dignity Health.<sup>61</sup> Gabrielle has not  
9 applied for any different employment since 2004. Gabrielle defined her income in her  
10 2016 FDF, wherein she represented that her average gross monthly income was  
11 \$4,624.30. Gabrielle's 2016 FDF. After deductions, her net monthly income was  
12 \$3,800. *Id.*

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15 In contrast with Gabrielle's income, defining Dennis' income for support  
16 purposes is complicated. A comparison of his various FDFs filed with the Court  
17 illustrates the wide range of income reported by Dennis. For example, Dennis  
18 represented average gross monthly income of \$66,666.66 in his February 2015 FDF.  
19 His reported average gross monthly income increased to \$600,310.40 in his May  
20 2015 FDF. Finally, Dennis represented average gross monthly income of \$61,538.48  
21 in his February 2016 FDF. Dennis' income and benefits of employment with DaVita  
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61 During the marriage, there was some consideration of Gabrielle attending law school (which went only so far as Gabrielle purchasing an LSAT study guide). Even had she done so, the "success" of her legal career would be speculative.

is summarized in the annual Proxy Statements he received from the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, which provide the following detailed summary:<sup>62</sup>

Year	Salary	Bonus	Stock Awards	Options Awards	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation	All Other Compensation	Total
2008	472,414	150,000		2,353,580	750,000	11,109	3,737,103
2009	628,855	250,000		4,230,240	950,000	772	6,059,867
2010	727,075	118,000	2,377,500	2,364,780	1,500,000	17,095	7,104,450
2011	800,010	118,000		6,028,575	1,750,000	107,383	8,803,968
2012	800,004	118,000	4,036,057	1,358,364	1,400,000	45,877	7,758,302
2013	800,004			2,970,770	1,100,000	90,042	4,960,812
2014	800,000	200,000	667,422	1,860,796	6,142,500	104,792	9,775,510

Dennis' base salary has remained relatively constant from 2011 through 2014. His additional income is attributable to bonus income, stock awards, option awards, and other incentive awards. This additional income is determined by and at the discretion of the DaVita Compensation Committee and is not awarded until March of the following year. Also, there appear to be fluctuations in awards from year-to-year. Dennis testified that the "days" of earning significant incentive based income "are over."

Upon review of the record, this Court recognizes the fluctuating nature of Dennis' incentive compensation awards in contrast with the *relatively* constant and consistent base salary and bonus income he has received for more than five years.<sup>63</sup>

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<sup>62</sup>Not reflected in the compensation summary above is Dennis' flight benefits with DaVita. Dennis' allocation of flight hours as one of his perquisites of employment ranged from zero in 2009 to a high of \$106,611 in 2011. Exhibits 93 and 95.

<sup>63</sup>From 2008 through 2014, Dennis received bonus income totaling \$954,000, for an average annual bonus of \$136,000. However, excluding 2013 (which was the only year in

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2 Moreover, from 2003 through 2009, this Court notes that the parties' combined  
3 income from "wages, salaries, tips" totaled \$8,861,289, for an annual average  
4 combined income of \$1,265,898.43. This Court also takes into consideration the fact  
5 that the highest income earned by Dennis came at a time that the marital relationship  
6 was broken and the parties had permanently separated. Without ascribing credit or  
7 blame, the delay in the parties divorcing has resulted in significant growth in the size  
8 of the overall marital estate. Although this Court does not accept Dennis' hypothetical  
9 proposition that the marital estate to be divided in 2010 would have been \$4 million  
10 had he prosecuted his Complaint for Divorce (Mar. 10, 2010), this Court does accept  
11 the argument that the amount Gabrielle will receive as part of the property division has  
12 increased significantly during the five plus years that the parties have been  
13 permanently separated.  
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17 Recognizing that this is not a need based spousal support case, this Court  
18 similarly (as with Dennis' incentive compensation income) discounts the passive  
19 income that Gabrielle will earn from the property that she will receive as part of the  
20 property division.<sup>64</sup> Instead, this Court focuses on Dennis' base salary plus his average  
21 bonus income received from 2008 through 2012, and 2014 and Gabrielle's income  
22 from her employment. Thus, this Court finds that Dennis' average gross monthly  
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25 which a "bonus" was not reported pursuant to SEC filings), the annual average bonus was  
26 \$159,000.

27 <sup>64</sup>Unlike *Shydler, supra*, this is not a situation in which Gabrielle will need to deplete or  
28 rely on the principle amounts of her property award in the divorce for her support. Rather,  
Dennis testified that Gabrielle could earn at least four percent (4%) on the liquid amounts she  
will receive as part of this divorce. Gabrielle did not challenge Dennis' testimony or suggest  
any lower rate of return.

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2 income for purposes of support is \$80,000, with average net monthly income of  
3 \$58,000 (after deducting federal income taxes and social security deductions). The  
4 resulting difference in the parties' average monthly net incomes is \$54,200.

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6 (2) The nature and value of the respective property of each  
7 spouse and the award of property in the divorce to the spouse  
8 who would receive alimony. NRS 125.150(9)(b) and (j)

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10 Dennis proposes that he receive the majority of the non-liquid assets as part of  
11 the division of assets. This includes: (1) the residence in which Nadya and the  
12 children reside (the Oak Pass property); (2) the residence in which Dennis' parents  
13 reside (San Vicente property); and (3) the residence in which Dennis' brother's family  
14 reside (Canon Condo). Based on such a division, Dennis argued that Gabrielle would  
15 leave the marriage with approximately \$18,000,000 in cash and \$2,000,000 in real  
16 estate. Dennis added that Gabrielle should be able to earn a reasonable rate of return  
17 of at least 4%. As such, Dennis projected that Gabrielle could earn between \$500,000  
18 and \$800,000 in passive income if Gabrielle invests the liquid assets with a  
19 conventional investment house (or even with a bank).<sup>65</sup>

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21 According to Gabrielle's FDFs, she spends between \$180,000 and \$240,000 per  
22 year. Her 2015 FDF (Exhibit XX) shows total monthly expenses of \$15,255 per  
23 month, or \$183,060 annually. Gabrielle acknowledged, however, that her expenses  
24 would likely be reduced slightly after the Lake Las Vegas residence was sold. Thus,  
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28 <sup>65</sup>In support of this argument, Dennis cites to the parties' 2014 U.S. Individual Income  
Tax Return wherein the parties reported \$133,666 in interest income, \$60,099 in tax-exempt  
interest income, \$284,303 in ordinary dividends, and \$96,223 in qualified dividends. Exhibit  
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1 Gabrielle does not "need" support to meet her expenses. Nevertheless, comparing the  
2 total income each party will earn based on the history of their earnings during the past  
3 five years (combined with the passive income Gabrielle likely will earn), the record  
4 supports a finding that Dennis will continue to earn more income annually than  
5 Gabrielle.  
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8 (3) The contribution of each spouse to any property held by the  
9 spouses pursuant to NRS 123.030. NRS 125.150(9)(c)

10 This factor is not applicable in this case.

11 (4) The duration of the parties' marriage. NRS 125.150(9)(d)

12 The parties married on July 20, 1991. Thus, they have been married for nearly  
13 25 years, which qualifies as a long-term marriage. As a result, Gabrielle has relied on  
14 the continued existence of their marriage for her support. However, it is not lost on  
15 this Court that the parties have not shared a harmonious marital relationship since  
16 approximately 2004. By no later than 2010, the parties were permanently separated.  
17 Further, as discussed throughout this Decree, this Court has determined that their  
18 marriage was irretrievably broken in 2004. Finally, this divorce action was initiated  
19 in December 2013. At that time, the parties had been married for 22 years.  
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23 (5) Standard of living during the marriage. NRS 125.150(9)(f)

24 The parties' standard of living is defined by the historical earnings of the parties  
25 previously discussed. Again, although not need based, Gabrielle relied on the existence  
26 of the parties' marriage to maintain the standard of living achieved as a result of  
27 Dennis' income capacity. Without objection, Gabrielle followed Dennis' career  
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2 pursuits, which will result in Gabrielle leaving this marriage with more than \$20  
3 million in assets.

4 (6) The career before the marriage of the spouse receiving  
5 alimony. NRS 125.150(9)(g)

6 Both Gabrielle and Dennis had established a degree of success in their respective  
7 careers before their marriage. Although the parties followed Dennis' career throughout  
8 their marriage, it does not appear that Gabrielle's career materially suffered as a result  
9 of this mutual decision, or that she would be earning significantly more based on career  
10 subordination during the marriage.  
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12 (7) The existence of specialized education or training or level of  
13 marketable skills attained by each spouse during marriage.  
14 NRS 125.150(9)(h)

15 Although Dennis did not receive specialized education during the marriage, his  
16 career experiences laid the foundation for his role and position that he now enjoys at  
17 DaVita. Indeed, he acknowledged that his employment experience played a key role  
18 in "getting me to DaVita," and that his ability to remain with DaVita was something  
19 he "earned" through hard work and "getting results." At the same time, though to a  
20 lesser degree, Gabrielle remained employed throughout most of their marriage and  
21 benefitted from the job training she experienced at various places of employment and  
22 in various capacities.  
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24 (8) The contribution of either spouse as a homemaker . NRS  
25 125.150(9)(i)  
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27 This factor includes elements of career subordination, but it is not of significant  
28 import in this matter. Gabrielle testified that, as between the parties, she was

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2 primarily responsible for care-taking duties of their various marital homes. Although  
3 the parties routinely employed house-cleaners, Gabrielle would cook and care for their  
4 home. However, this Court does not find that Gabrielle served as a homemaker in a  
5 traditional sense. At no time did it appear that she avoided or terminated employment  
6 for the purpose of taking care of the parties' home. Although Gabrielle's Brief cites  
7 multiple cases discussing the significance of the career sacrifices of homemakers, many  
8 of the citations involved full-time homemakers that remained at home to manage the  
9 home and raise children. Such is not the case in this matter.  
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12         Weighing and balancing the foregoing factors, this Court finds that Dennis  
13 should pay spousal support to Gabrielle in the sum of \$18,000 per month, for a period  
14 of 108 months, for a total of \$1,944,000. Considering the length of the parties'  
15 separation, and recognizing that the support is not need based, this Court further  
16 concludes and finds that the support should be paid in a specified or lump sum  
17 amount so as to disentangle the parties. NRS 125.150(1)(a) and (5). Accordingly,  
18 applying a 4% discount rate (the rate of return commonly referenced in the record) to  
19 the periodic monthly sum of \$18,000 per month for a period of 108 months, results  
20 in a present value lump sum amount of \$1,630,292. This amount should be  
21 effectuated by awarding Gabrielle the sum of \$1,630,292 from the UBS Resource  
22 Management Account (account 12745) awarded to Dennis.  
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26         Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law, and good  
27 cause appearing therefor,  
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2 It is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that an absolute  
3 DECREE OF DIVORCE is hereby GRANTED and the bonds of matrimony are hereby  
4 DISSOLVED and the parties are returned to the status of single, unmarried  
5 individuals, with Plaintiff henceforth known as GABRIELLE ROSE CIOFFI.  
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7 It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the assets and debts  
8 are divided pursuant to the Marital Balance Sheet attached hereto as Exhibit 1. In  
9 this regard, it is further ORDERED that the following assets are confirmed to Gabrielle  
10 as her sole and separate property:  
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- 12 (1) the residence and real property located at 21 Augusta Canyon Way, Las  
13 Vegas, Nevada;  
14 (2) the sum of \$186,030 from the net sales proceeds realized from the sale  
15 of the Lake Las Vegas residence (plus or minus one-half (1/2) of any  
16 amount in excess of or below net sales proceeds of \$570,502);  
17 (3) the following bank and financial accounts:  
18 (a) the Merrill Lynch/Bank of America checking account (ending  
19 0129); and  
20 (b) one-half of the Merrill Lynch/Bank of America joint checking  
21 account (ending 6446);  
22 (4) the following investments:  
23 (a) the UBS Strategic Advisor account (no. 12743);  
24 (b) the UBS Private Wealth Solutions account (no. 13134);  
25 (c) the UBS Resource Management Account (account 21076);  
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2 (d) the UBS Resource Management Account (account 20329);

3 (e) the Merrill Lynch CMA account (no. 10637); and

4 (f) the Merrill Lynch CMA account (10093);

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6 (5) one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the fractional community property interest in any  
7 incentive awards granted or awarded to Dennis associated with his  
8 employment prior to February 26, 2016, calculated based on the total  
9 time between the award or grant of the asset/award and the date on  
10 which said asset/award vests or matures, with the Court retaining  
11 jurisdiction to "wait and see" whether post-divorce performance  
12 conditions should be considered as part of the division;  
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14 (6) one-half of the net sales proceeds realized from the sale of the 2015  
15 Ferrari;  
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17 (7) the golf cart;

18 (8) the following retirement accounts:

19 (a) the Fidelity Dignity Health retirement account;

20 (b) the sum of \$289,409 from the DaVita Executive retirement plan;

21 (c) the Merrill Lynch IRA (11040);

22 (d) one-half of the Teleflex defined benefit pension plan, with this  
23 Court retaining jurisdiction to enter a qualified order to effectuate  
24 the division thereof;  
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27 (9) one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of all credit card/travel reward points accumulated during  
28 the parties' marriage; and

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2 (10) all of Gabrielle's furnishings, jewelry, clothing, personal belongings and  
3 effects.

4 It is further ORDERED that the following assets are confirmed to Dennis as his  
5 sole and separate property:  
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7 (1) the following real properties:

8 (a) the sum of \$384,472 from the net sales proceeds realized from the  
9 sale of the Lake Las Vegas residence (plus or minus one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ )  
10 of any amount in excess of or below net sales proceeds of  
11 \$570,502);  
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13 (b) the Oak Pass property;

14 (c) the San Vicente property;

15 (d) the Canon Condo;

16 (e) the residence and real property located at 10776 Wilshire  
17 Boulevard; and  
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19 (f) the nanny quarters located at 10776 Wilshire Boulevard;  
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21 (2) the following bank and financial accounts:

22 (a) one-half of the Merrill Lynch/Bank of America joint checking  
23 account (ending 6446);  
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25 (b) the Wells Fargo checking account (ending 5397);

26 (c) the Wells Fargo checking account (ending 8870); and

27 (d) the Wells Fargo savings account (ending 6253);  
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2 (3) the following investments:

3 (a) the UBS Resource Management Account (account 12745);

4 (b) the UBS Resource Management Account (account 18575);

5 (c) the NEA investment;

6 (d) the Radiology Partners investment;

7 (e) the iChill investment;

8 (f) any interest in the Pray for Ukraine/Winter movie; and

9 (g) any interest in the Thomasina movie;

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12 (4) Dennis' interest in any incentive awards through his employment with  
13 DaVita, less Gabrielle's one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) interest in the fractional community  
14 property percentage in any such incentive awards granted or awarded to  
15 Dennis associated with his employment prior to February 26, 2016,  
16 calculated based on the total time between the award or grant of the  
17 asset/award and the date on which said asset/award vests or matures,  
18 with the Court retaining jurisdiction to "wait and see" whether post-  
19 divorce performance conditions should be considered as part of the  
20 division;  
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23 (5) the following automobiles:

24 (a) the 2015 Bentley 12 cyl.;

25 (d) the 2015 Bentley 8 cyl.; and

26 (c) one-half of the net sales proceeds realized from the sale of the  
27 2015 Ferrari;  
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2 (6) receivables due and owing from Kim Matthews, Bernie Kogod, Mitchell  
3 Kogod, and Sheldon Kogod;  
4 (7) the following retirement accounts:  
5 (a) the UBS Rollover IRA (46);  
6 (b) the sum of \$13,427 from the DaVita Executive retirement plan;  
7 (c) the Chase Cigna Health Savings account;  
8 (d) one-half of the Teleflex defined benefit pension plan, with this  
9 Court retaining jurisdiction to enter a qualified order to effectuate  
10 the division thereof; and  
11 (e) the Voya DaVita retirement account;  
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13 (8) the Principal life insurance policy;  
14 (9) the sapphire ring;  
15 (10) one-half (1/2) of all credit card/travel reward points accumulated during  
16 the parties' marriage; and  
17 (11) all of Dennis' furnishings, jewelry, clothing, personal belongings and  
18 effects.  
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22 It is further ORDERED that Gabrielle has the option of receiving as her assets  
23 the 2015 Bentley (12 cyl.) and the 2015 Bentley (8 cyl.) at the corresponding values  
24 she placed on the vehicles. It is further ORDERED that Gabrielle must make her  
25 election to receive these vehicles within 14 days of the entry of this Decree. It is  
26 further ORDERED that, if Gabrielle exercises this option, the Marital Balance Sheet  
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1 shall be modified to insert the corresponding values in Gabrielle's column of assets,  
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3 with the totals recalculated to effectuate an equal division

4 It is further ORDERED that Dennis shall assume, pay, and hold Gabrielle  
5 harmless from the outstanding amount owed on the UBS line of credit (which is  
6 treated as a community debt).  
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8 It is further ORDERED that Gabrielle shall assume, pay and hold Dennis  
9 harmless from the following debts as her sole and separate responsibility:

- 10 (1) the amount owed to Banana Republic (account ending 4713);
- 11 (2) the amount owed to Discover (account ending 5161);
- 12 (3) the amount owed to Merrill Lynch AMEX (account ending 9677);
- 13 (4) the amount owed to Kohl's (account ending 557);
- 14 (5) the amount owed to Nordstrom (account ending 992);
- 15 (6) the amount owed to TJX Rewards (account ending 6951);
- 16 (7) the amount owed to LoveLoft Mastercard (account ending 5363) and
- 17 (8) the amount owed to Saks (account ending 688).

18 It is further ORDERED that Dennis shall assume, pay and hold Gabrielle  
19 harmless from the following debts as his sole and separate responsibility:  
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- 21 (1) the amount owed to American Express Centurion (account ending 3005);
  - 22 (2) the amount owed to American Express Optima (account ending 2003);
  - 23 (3) the amount owed to American Express Platinum (account ending 9008);
  - 24 (4) the amount owed to Mastercard Black Card (account ending 1588); and
  - 25 (5) the amount owed to Wells Fargo Visa (account ending 1032).
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2 It is further ORDERED that the parties shall equally share the costs associated  
3 with the preparation of any Qualified Domestic Relations Order(s) necessary to  
4 effectuate the division of retirement accounts set forth herein.

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6 It is further ORDERED that, as part of the division of assets, the sum and  
7 amount of \$4,087,863 is attributed as an asset to Dennis in the Court's Exhibit I.

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9 It is further ORDERED that Gabrielle is awarded the sum and amount of  
10 \$1,630,292 as a specified principal sum as and for spousal support, with said  
11 \$1,630,292 paid from the UBS Resource Management Account (account 12745).

12 It is further ORDERED that Dennis shall pay to Gabrielle the sum of \$19,500  
13 within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Decree as and for sanctions associated with  
14 his violation of the JPI.

15 DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2016.

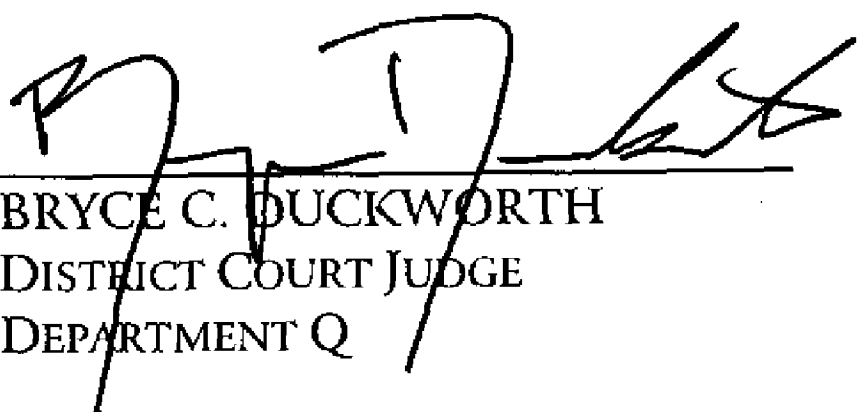
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BRYCE C. DUCKWORTH  
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE  
DEPARTMENT Q

Exhibit 1

# Cioffi-Kogod v. Kogod

## Marital Balance Sheet

ASSETS		Property Value						NOTES
		Net		Community		Separate		
		Value	Debt	Dennis	Gabrielle	Dennis	Gabrielle	
CASH/BANK ACCOUNTS								
1	Bank of America Checking (129)	\$65,200	\$0	\$65,200	\$65,200			Exhibit 141
2	Bank of America Checking (6446)	\$18,356	\$0	\$18,356	\$9,178	\$9,178		Exhibit 142
3	Wells Fargo Checking (5397)	\$10,192	\$0	\$10,192	\$10,192			Exhibit MMMMM
4	Wells Fargo Checking (8870)	\$429	\$0	\$429	\$429			Exhibit NNNNN
5	Wells Fargo Savings (6253)	\$496	\$0	\$496	\$496			Exhibit MMMMM
6	Blocked account (Yacht)							Placed in UBS 45 per Anthem Report
Subtotal		\$94,673	\$0	\$94,673	\$20,295	\$74,378	\$0	

<b>INVESTMENTS</b>								
7	UBS Strategic Advisor (12743)	\$6,033,694	\$0		\$6,033,694			Exhibit JJJJJ
8	UBS Resource Mgt. Account (12745)	\$4,180,085	\$0	\$4,180,085				Exhibit KKKKK
9	UBS Private Wealth Solutions(13134)	\$2,252,231	\$0		\$2,252,231			Exhibit LLLLL
10	UBS Resource Mgt. Account (21076)	\$9,203,992	\$0		\$9,203,992			Exhibit IIIII
11	UBS Resource Mgt. Account (18575)	\$95,056	\$0	\$95,056				Exhibit FFFFF
12	UBS Resource Mgt. Account (20329)	\$1,232,061	\$0	\$1,232,061			\$1,232,061	Exhibit 144; Stip. & Order (8/10/2016)
13	Merrill Lynch CMA (10637)	\$496,802	\$0		\$496,802			Exhibit 143
14	Merrill Lynch CMA (10093)	\$282,025	\$0		\$282,025			Exhibit 143
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$23,775,946</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,275,141</b>	<b>\$18,268,744</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,232,061</b>	

<b>BUSINESS INTERESTS</b>								
15	NEA Investment	\$979,388	\$0	\$979,388				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
16	Radiology Partners	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000				Anthem Report 17
17	Ichill	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
18	Pray for Ukraine/Winter Movie	\$81,000	\$0	\$81,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
19	Thomasina Movie	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,460,388</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,460,388</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	

<b>RECEIVABLES</b>								
20	Business Loan (Kim Matthews)	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
21	Personal loan (Bernie Kogod)	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
22	Business loan (Mitchell Kogod)	\$178,000	\$0	\$178,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
23	Personal loan (Sheldon Kogod)	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000				Dennis & Gabrielle's Briefs
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$253,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$253,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	

ASSETS	Property Value						NOTES	
	Value	Debt	Community		Separate			
			Net Value	Dennis	Gabrielle	Dennis		Gabrielle
REAL PROPERTY								
24	28 Via Mira Monte, Henderson	\$1,400,000	\$829,498	\$570,502	\$384,472	\$186,030	To be sold w/ proceeds divided	
25	9716 Oak Pass Road, Beverly Hills	\$6,300,000	\$0	\$6,300,000	\$6,300,000		See Decree	
26	321 So. San Vicente Condo	\$680,000	\$0	\$680,000	\$680,000		Stipulated value; net proceeds	
27	434 So. Canon Condo	\$654,001	\$0	\$654,001	\$654,001		See 5/4/2016 hearing; Ex. WWWWW	
28	10776 Wilshire Blvd.	\$3,615,061	\$0	\$3,615,061		\$3,615,061	See Stipulation and Order (8/10/2016)	
29	10776 Wilshire Blvd. (nanny)	\$332,216	\$0	\$332,216	\$332,216		Closing Briefs; not ref. in Stip.	
30	21 Augusta Canyon Way	\$2,375,000	\$0	\$2,375,000			See Stipulation and Order (8/10/2016)	
	Subtotal	\$15,356,278	\$829,498	\$14,526,780	\$8,350,689	\$186,030		
						\$2,375,000	\$2,375,000	

#### AUTOS & RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

31 2015 Bentley 12 cyl.	\$255,000	\$0	\$255,000	\$255,000		
32 2015 Bentley 8 cyl. (Nadya's)	\$205,000	\$0	\$205,000	\$205,000		
33 2015 Ferrari 458	\$276,675	\$0	\$276,675	\$138,337	\$138,337	Sold & proceeds divided; Ex. CCCCCC
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$736,675</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$736,675</b>	<b>\$598,337</b>	<b>\$138,337</b>	<b>\$0</b>

#### PERSONAL PROPERTY

34 Furniture (Dennis)			\$0			
35 Furniture (Gabby)			\$0			
36 Storage Unit			\$0			
37 Sapphire Ring	\$14,000	\$0	\$14,000	\$14,000		Divide equally
38 Frequent Flier Miles			\$0			Divide equally
39 Rewards Points			\$0			
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

#### LIFE INSURANCE (Cash Value)

40 Principal	\$20,500	\$0	\$20,500	\$20,500		Exhibit XXXXX
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$20,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$20,500</b>	<b>\$20,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ASSETS		Property Value								NOTES
		Net Value		Community		Separate				
		Value	Debt	Dennis	Gabrielle	Dennis	Gabrielle			
RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS										
41	DaVita Mullen TBG	\$302,836	\$0	\$302,836	\$13,427	\$289,409			Exhibit ZZZZZ	
42	Teleflex Pension (\$995/month)								Defined benefit plan: divide equally	
43	Fidelity Dignity Health	\$69,693	\$0	\$69,693		\$69,693			See Closing Briefs	
44	Chase Cigna Health Savings	\$1,882	\$0	\$1,882	\$1,882				Exhibit AAAAAA	
45	Merrill Lynch IRA (11040)	\$156,476	\$0	\$156,476		\$156,476			Exhibit 143	
46	UBS Rollover IRA (46)	\$113,296	\$0	\$113,296	\$113,296				Exhibit DDDDD	
47	Voya DaVita Retirement Savings	\$386,973	\$0	\$386,973	\$386,973				Exhibit YYYYY	
	Subtotal	\$1,031,156	\$0	\$1,031,156	\$515,578	\$515,578	\$0	\$0		
DISSIPATION										
48	Dennis	\$4,087,863	\$0	\$4,087,863	\$4,087,863				See Decree	
	Subtotal	\$4,087,863	\$0	\$4,087,863	\$4,087,863	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL ASSETS		\$46,830,479	\$829,498	\$46,000,981	\$19,595,791	\$19,183,067	\$3,615,061	\$3,607,061		

ITEM	LIABILITIES	Debt Value						NOTES
		Value	Debt	Community		Separate		
				Dennis	Gabrielle	Dennis	Gabrielle	

<b>OTHER LIABILITIES</b>						
50	Banana Republic Visa (4713)		\$308			\$308 Exhibit 133
51	Discover (5161)		\$2,435			\$2,435 Exhibit 134
52	Kohl's (557)		\$0			\$0 Exhibit 136
53	LoveLoft Mastercard (5363)		\$29			\$29 Exhibit 132
54	Merrill Lynch AMEX (9677)		\$392			\$392 Exhibit 138
55	Nordstrom (992)		\$319			\$319 Exhibit 139
56	Nieman Marcus		\$0			\$0
57	AMEX Centurion (3005)		\$10,871		\$10,871	Exhibit SSSSS
58	AMEX Optima (2003)		\$18,425		\$18,425	Exhibit UUUUU
59	AMEX Platinum (9008)		\$555		\$555	Exhibit QQQQQ
60	Mastercard Black Card (1588)		\$20,194		\$20,194	Exhibit WWWWW
61	Wells Fargo VISA (1032)		\$15,361		\$15,361	Exhibit PPPPP
63	Saks (688)		\$289			\$289 Gabrielle's Brief
64	TJX Rewards (6951)		\$620			\$620 Gabrielle's Brief
	<b>Subtotal</b>		\$69,798	\$0	\$65,406	\$4,392

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$482,521	\$0	\$65,406	\$4,392
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<b>NET EQUITY</b>	\$19,183,068	\$19,183,067	\$3,549,655	\$3,602,669
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<b>EQUALIZING AMOUNT</b>	\$1
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Exhibit 2



ASSESSMENTS OF POTENTIAL COMMUNITY WASTE NOT ELSEWHERE CLASSIFIED

Please refer to Anthony's December 15, 2015 report.

Ref	Description	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
1	Accounting Services	(22.85)	(6.93)	(74.84)	(62.47)	(212.00)	(192.41)	(238.23)	(2,200.00)	(2,500.00)
2	Agency Fees	(142.15)	(144.24)	(390.76)	(337.60)	(1,134.25)	(1,039.45)	(9,609.43)	(2,042.16)	(12,481.60)
3	Auto Related - Ally Bank (lease payment)	-	-	-	-	(3,915.89)	(7,851.69)	(3,486.74)	-	(15,254.32)
4	Auto Related - Audi	-	-	(6,554.48)	(3,811.27)	(6,813.80)	-	-	-	(17,179.55)
5	Auto Related - BMW	(9,056.04)	(91,349.22)	(48,442.31)	(4,342.44)	-	-	-	-	(149,190.01)
6	Auto Related - GMAC (Carfax)	(51,000.00)	(51,000.00)	(51,000.00)	(114,500.00)	(19,800.00)	-	-	-	(387,300.00)
7	Auto Related - Harley	-	-	-	-	-	(10,518.81)	-	-	(10,518.81)
8	Auto Related - Luxury (not elsewhere classified)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,101,989.54)	(1,101,989.54)	(1,101,989.54)	(2,203,979.08)
9	Auto Related - Mercedes	-	-	-	(1,093.93)	(17,278.45)	(7,890.76)	(8,964.54)	(16,474.89)	(35,448.58)
10	Auto Related - Porsche	-	-	(21,906.02)	(18,338.96)	(17,278.45)	-	-	-	(67,523.43)
11	Auto Related - Toyota	-	-	-	-	-	(104,818.78)	-	-	(104,818.78)
12	Auto Related - Volvo	(424.61)	-	(854.93)	(1,134.00)	(4,510.00)	(2,374.39)	(14,238.23)	(4,373.50)	(21,931.63)
13	Auto Related (CA)	-	-	-	-	(665.79)	(665.64)	-	-	(1,331.43)
14	Auto Related (CC)	(1,508.24)	(1,508.24)	(799.00)	(22.00)	-	-	(5,107.00)	-	(8,837.44)
15	Auto Related (NV)	(88.00)	(191.00)	(572.43)	(634.21)	(199.44)	(810.00)	(340.45)	(779.43)	(3,004.56)
16	Bank Fees	(309.27)	(309.51)	(157.12)	(130.86)	(281.38)	(538.17)	(1,141.48)	(443.08)	(3,182.97)
17	Bank Fees: Cash Advances	(1,898.31)	(4,048.41)	(1,390.40)	-	-	-	-	-	(7,337.12)
18	Bank Fees: Finance Charge	-	-	(70.19)	(1,102.24)	(66.59)	(41.28)	-	-	(1,379.00)
19	Bank Fees: Foreign Transaction	-	-	(1,414.12)	(1,625.83)	(1,272.57)	(4,041.50)	(4,811.35)	(4,408.90)	(17,569.80)
20	Bank Fees: Interest	-	(94.21)	(1,414.12)	(1,625.83)	(71,508.72)	(2,745.65)	(1,529.27)	(1,209.32)	(78,548.94)
21	Bank Fees: Loan Interest	-	-	-	-	(16,960.51)	-	-	-	(16,960.51)
22	Blue Note	-	-	-	-	-	(25,000.00)	-	-	(25,000.00)
23	Capital Call - Mutual Fund	-	-	-	(144.24)	-	-	-	-	(144.24)
24	CC Payment - Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,271.20	(31,812.40)	(24,541.20)
25	CC Payment - American Express	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(9,543.08)	(9,543.08)
26	CC Payment - Black Card	-	(615.25)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,281.10)	(1,896.35)
27	CC Payment - BofA	(13,836.32)	(22,106.47)	(7,450.60)	(3,707.81)	-	-	-	-	(47,101.20)
28	CC Payment - Chase	-	-	(111.28)	(3,383.80)	300.00	-	-	(113.85)	(3,194.03)
29	CC Payment - Citicards	(20,800.00)	(10,181.95)	(11,290.91)	(8,893.89)	(215.00)	(204.85)	(139.82)	(113.85)	(50,420.42)
30	CC Payment - US Airways	-	-	(78.00)	(3,000.00)	196.00	(180.00)	(304.00)	-	(3,008.00)
31	Cellular - AT&T	(3,032.20)	(6,511.44)	(6,602.67)	(5,871.74)	(7,892.30)	(2,278.18)	(8,849.68)	(5,759.90)	(49,299.12)
32	Cellular - Verizon	(3,861.47)	(1,731.87)	(1,700.00)	(1,800.00)	(960.00)	(160.00)	(837.50)	(1,998.64)	(17,877.88)
33	Checks written to Cash	-	(4,950.00)	(700.00)	(6,500.00)	-	-	(800.00)	(1,340.00)	(13,190.00)
34	City of CA	-	-	(140.40)	(584.00)	(143.00)	(174.00)	-	(134.70)	(1,071.40)
35	Cleaning Services - Dry Cleaners	(324.94)	(553.10)	(179.70)	(1,274.75)	(1,476.85)	(3,024.59)	(2,889.20)	(1,652.86)	(11,779.89)
36	Cleaning Services - Dry Cleaners (CA)	-	-	(288.99)	(282.85)	(28.91)	-	-	-	(600.75)
37	Cleaning Services - Dry Cleaners (CO)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	Donations	(3,240.00)	(3,100.00)	(3,700.00)	(3,800.00)	(3,450.00)	(3,500.00)	-	-	(20,790.00)
39	Dues & Subscriptions	(81.81)	(87.91)	(924.15)	(1,391.52)	(6,128.69)	(1,111.40)	(725.97)	(316.67)	(12,182.11)
40	Dues & Subscriptions - 24 Hour	-	-	(1,746.48)	(1,157.96)	(1,152.96)	(3,152.96)	(1,352.96)	(1,054.88)	(8,463.30)
41	Dues & Subscriptions - Alarm	-	-	-	-	-	(519.68)	(8,871.14)	(1,309.90)	(10,700.72)
42	Dues & Subscriptions - Auto de Cash (CA)	(6,562.98)	(9,283.40)	(8,976.43)	-	-	-	-	-	(24,822.81)
43	Dues & Subscriptions - Auto de Cash (CA)	(5,498.82)	(3,994.83)	(11,943.43)	(11,754.98)	(6,019.89)	(6,194.18)	(8,339.84)	(4,182.18)	(62,337.46)
44	Dues & Subscriptions - Fitness (CA)	-	-	(749.93)	(1,034.09)	(573.00)	(371.58)	-	-	(2,728.50)
45	Dues & Subscriptions - Fitness (CO)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(45.00)	(450.00)
46	Dues & Subscriptions - Membership Dues	-	-	(2,100.00)	(2,100.00)	(2,100.00)	(2,100.00)	(2,100.00)	(2,100.00)	(10,500.00)
47	Expenditure for Mr. Stelzer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48	Expenditure for Mr. Stelzer - Possible exp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
49	Furniture-related	-	-	(327.65)	(2,439.98)	(5,159.18)	-	-	-	(8,726.81)
50	Furniture (CO)	(8,608.23)	(2,429.43)	(2,941.34)	(4,471.61)	(2,337.81)	(1,813.13)	(2,381.54)	(2,026.87)	(21,987.90)
51	Gas/Fuel	-	(139.84)	(119.40)	(97.79)	(229.44)	(441.84)	(321.20)	(834.99)	(1,387.23)
52	Gifts	-	-	(787.23)	-	-	-	-	-	(787.23)
53	Golf	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
54	Groceries	(2,614.90)	(4,904.47)	(2,594.17)	(7,090.16)	(5,377.79)	(3,418.51)	(4,607.78)	(4,402.54)	(34,745.38)
55	HCA dues - Welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
56	Home related	-	(1,347.00)	(1,293.69)	-	-	(2,140.15)	(4,870.00)	(29,181.82)	(38,721.64)
57	Home related - Art (Wishline BPO)	-	-	(416.00)	(780.00)	(780.00)	(861.00)	(1,121.00)	(1,075.80)	(5,033.80)
58	Home related - Pest Control	-	(1,247.86)	(9,458.91)	(1,379.99)	(13,644.06)	(13,644.06)	(13,644.06)	(13,644.06)	(55,360.00)
59	Home related (CA)	(7,198.23)	(18,567.64)	(11,023.90)	(17,384.17)	(27,089.40)	(34,270.44)	(36,744.44)	(28,043.22)	(172,191.52)
60	Insurance	-	(9,311.80)	(10,932.84)	(16,557.00)	(16,557.00)	(101,673.62)	-	-	(166,073.26)
61	Interior Design	-	-	(13,355.16)	(8,549.90)	(32,279.50)	(1,011.00)	(19,541.00)	(15,011.00)	(90,017.56)
62	Jewelry/Watches	-	-	-	-	(665.00)	-	-	-	(665.00)
63	Landscaping	-	-	(39.11)	-	-	-	-	-	(39.11)
64	Legal Fees	-	-	(52,500)	-	-	-	-	-	(52,500)
65	Legal Fees - Divorce	-	-	(115,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(115,000.00)
66	Loan - Michael Kaye	-	-	-	-	-	(150,612.28)	-	-	(150,612.28)
67	Loan Payment	-	-	(897.43)	-	-	(483.25)	-	-	(1,380.68)
68	Loan Payment - Bank of America	(59,897.20)	(71,896.64)	(54,145.64)	(84,996.02)	(4,687.14)	-	-	-	(273,622.64)
69	Loan Payment - Chase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
70	Loan Payment - US Bank	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
71	Loan Payment - US Bank	(45,980.60)	(45,980.60)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(91,961.20)
72	Loan Payment - Washington Mutual	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(10,000.00)
73	Loan Payment - Wells Fargo	-	-	(10,000.00)	(10,000.00)	(10,000.00)	-	-	-	(30,000.00)
74	LOC	(17,511.49)	(10,868.57)	(12,977.86)	(10,378.13)	(23,428.48)	(64,148.65)	(57,500.19)	(125,673.61)	(238,485.18)
75	Landscaping	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
76	Marking Corporation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
77	Meal and entertainment	(9,014.79)	(19,111.65)	(25,978.48)	(31,277.60)	(25,763.03)	(42,605.08)	(32,366.17)	(26,154.87)	(209,234.27)

ASSESSMENTS OF POTENTIAL COMMUNITY WASTE NOT ELSEWHERE CLASSIFIED  
Please refer to Anthony's December 15, 2015 report.

EXHIBIT 6

Ref	Description	2005	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
78	Medical/Therapy	(6,456.24)	(9,172.00)	(7,831.94)	(10,069.48)	(4,215.94)	(7,097.00)	(6,511.28)	(26,246.92)	(74,810.86)
79	Moving expenses		(3,513.63)				(6,070.00)			(9,583.63)
80	Need Canceled Check	(166,935.94)	(5,500.00)	(806.50)	(333.00)	(757.25)	(437.70)	(551.45)	(564.26)	(172,435.84)
81	Parking/Tolls/Fees (CA)	(170.85)	(50.00)				(16,897.94)	(18,315.59)	(19,415.00)	(33,413.93)
82	Payments to Individuals	(430.21)	(7,713.00)	(1,159.50)	(6,590.00)	(16,921.78)	(10,953.00)	(2,000.00)	(26,012.00)	(89,073.00)
83	Payments to Individuals - Daniel Porcila				(3,000.00)		(20,000.00)	(15,000.00)	(10,000.00)	(48,000.00)
84	Payments to Individuals - Pet Murphy	(2,000.00)		(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)	(2,951.53)	(3,500.00)		(6,890.00)	(20,841.53)
85	Payments to Individuals - Shipa Petric						(2,000.00)		(3,250.00)	(5,250.00)
86	Personal Care		(75.00)		(138.93)	(321.37)	(289.00)	(889.46)	(481.26)	(1,645.30)
87	Pet Related (CA)	(550.10)					(4,079.90)	(3,915.73)	(2,492.60)	(14,130.09)
88	Pharmacy	(1,888.39)	(2,303.89)	(2,894.17)	(4,876.69)	(3,386.65)	(7,431.70)			(29,813.84)
89	Photography			(210.00)	(117.80)		(138.00)			(453.80)
90	Political Contributions	(3,500.00)	(41,700.00)	(50,730.00)	(53,538.49)	(54,600.00)	(15,744.21)	(8,500.00)	(5,000.00)	(214,332.68)
91	Pool Related (CA)		(900.00)	(1,415.00)	(1,390.00)	(1,313.00)	(2,073.14)	(2,400.00)	(3,487.00)	(12,948.14)
92	Pay for Urinals							(81,000.00)		(81,000.00)
93	Professional Services (CA)	(2,921.00)	(3,275.00)			(4,381.50)			(120.00)	(11,202.50)
94	Property Management					(953.00)		(18,000.00)		(18,953.00)
95	Property Management - Luxury Las Vegas							(15,413.75)	(33,432.00)	(48,845.75)
96	Property Purchase	(49,600.00)	(457,203.59)			(2,200,977.00)	(5,880,546.23)	(547,800.00)	(3,842,271.85)	(12,878,254.73)
97	Rent - Lincoln Park					(4,383.18)	(5,390.03)			(9,773.21)
98	Rent - Sugar Cube Building			(162.00)	(1,891.79)	(1,150.42)				(2,744.21)
99	Rent - Urban Blake			(34,551.50)	(59,551.47)	(27,803.89)				(121,906.86)
100	Security				(136.80)	(748.53)	(247.50)	(247.50)	(378.48)	(1,778.91)
101	Security - K-9 Enforcement						(25,888.50)			(25,888.50)
102	Shipping	(41.81)	(13.60)	(181.30)	(88.53)	(26.06)	(188.75)	(44.73)	(1.06)	(660.77)
103	Shopping	(9,406.10)	(20,120.49)	(52,445.68)	(22,975.61)	(30,456.32)	(44,588.96)	(24,776.49)	(34,264.65)	(239,212.62)
104	Spending (Internationals)		(52.10)	(2,189.20)	(3,240.42)	(1,880.04)	(4,128.04)	(2,856.82)	(4,057.18)	(18,543.89)
105	Storage (CO)			(803.00)				(189.00)		(1,792.00)
106	Tax Payments - Property Taxes (CA)		(10,981.26)	(10,037.30)		(10,652.50)	(50,088.06)	(112,073.36)	(39,562.24)	(213,807.56)
107	Thomasia							(100,000.00)		(100,000.00)
108	Transportation	(948.30)	(638.53)	(1,000.47)	(1,350.44)	(2,884.00)	(2,583.20)	(4,974.70)	(6,308.20)	(19,782.82)
109	Travel	(64.62)	(10.99)	(65.41)		(829.02)	(810.00)	(482.21)	(536.64)	(2,882.89)
110	Travel - Airfare	(5,918.32)	(2,629.52)	(4,996.42)	(4,568.20)	(4,440.57)	(4,034.00)	(2,177.00)	(2,211.75)	(35,968.87)
111	Travel - Airfare Insurance	71.95	(194.87)	(399.80)	(284.31)	(494.37)	(134.37)	(209.80)	(329.78)	(1,373.75)
112	Travel - Inflight services		(18.80)	(45.80)	(108.40)	(86.70)	(45.00)	(207.00)	(217.94)	(709.00)
113	Uncategorized	(4,484.11)	(10,645.21)	(10,865.70)	(5,731.23)	(10,886.31)	(21,800.76)	(30,827.04)	(51,316.03)	(143,608.29)
114	Utilities - Cable			(2,738.24)	(4,416.14)	(5,156.80)	(4,103.54)	(3,813.56)	(2,581.77)	(22,348.07)
115	Utilities - Century Link			(812.20)	(1,540.17)	(1,619.07)	(1,658.50)	(1,866.84)	(1,618.25)	(9,113.69)
116	Utilities - Gas (CA)	(578.36)	(944.59)	(1,346.86)	(1,106.70)	(3,240.60)	(3,242.89)	(4,705.25)	(4,091.18)	(18,343.43)
117	Utilities - LA Department	(289.11)	(848.64)	(548.27)	(8,490.07)	(4,667.71)	(6,630.23)	(19,152.49)	(13,013.87)	(44,378.07)
118	Utilities - Time Warner Cable		(616.43)	(1,188.94)	(3,883.15)	(1,831.38)	(1,409.17)	(1,041.81)	(1,889.10)	(9,863.60)
119	Utilities (CA)	(642.39)	(2,791.76)	(6,442.73)	(2,253.14)				(718.00)	(10,896.99)
120	Utilities (CO)						(297.45)			(297.45)
121	Wire Transfer - Unknown			(5,120.00)		(37,778.43)		(7,887.41)	(2,500.00)	(54,285.84)
122	Wire Transfer and cash advances	(73,999.66)	(84,715.26)	(105,212.50)	(118,453.41)	(77,726.50)	(35,380.24)	(64,495.17)	(45,817.89)	(279,050.00)
123	WT - Investment						(900,000.00)			(900,000.00)
124	Yacht Related					(8,428.21)	(88,931.28)	(47,028.27)	(18,396.21)	(171,784.97)
125	Yacht Related - purchase							(858,795.00)		(858,795.00)
126						(536,077.87)				(1,444,872.87)
TOTAL										(9,811,015.84)

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"Not Classified Elsewhere" Expenditures With Eliminations Other Than for Amounts for Unaffordable Business Related and Personal Expenditures

Schedule 1		Year												Total		Adjustments		Adjusted
Ref	Description	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1	Accounting Services																	
2	Apple iTunes	(21,451)	(9,383)	(74,380)	(12,477)	(21,451)	(12,477)	(21,451)	(12,477)	(21,451)	(12,477)	(21,451)	(12,477)	(21,451)	(12,477)	(21,451)	(12,477)	(21,451)
3	Apple Support	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)	(143,452)
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		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017			
57	Pharmaceutical - Act (Whistle)													
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1                                   **IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**

2           DENNIS KOGOD,

3                                   Appellant/Cross-Respondent,

4           v.

5           GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD,

6                                   Respondent/Cross-Appellant.

Supreme Court No. 71147

District Court Case No. D-13-489442-D

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10                                  **CIVIL APPEALS**

11           1. Judicial District           Nevada           Department   Q  
12                                   County           Clark           Judge       BRYCE DUCKWORTH  
13                                   District Ct. Case No.   D-13-489442-D

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4. **Nature of Disposition below (check all that apply):**

- ☐ Judgment after bench trial                      ☐ Grant/denial of NRCP 60(b) relief
- ☐ Judgment after jury verdict                      ☐ Grant/denial of injunction
- ☐ Summary Judgment                      ☐ Grant/denial of declaratory relief
- ☐ Default judgment                      ☐ Review of agency determination
- ☐ Dismissal                      ☒ Divorce decree:
- ☐ Lack of Jurisdiction                      ☒ Original                      ☐ Modification
- ☐ Failure to state a claim
- ☐ Failure to prosecute
- ☐ Other disposition (specify):

5. **Does this appeal raise issues concerning any of the following: No**

- ☐ Child custody                      ☐ Termination of parental rights
- ☐ Venue                      ☐ Grant/denial of injunction or TRO
- ☐ Adoption                      ☐ Juvenile matters

6. **Pending and prior proceedings in this Court.** List the case name and docket number of all appeals or original proceedings presently or previously pending before this Court that are related to this appeal.

None.

7. **Pending and prior proceedings in other courts.** List the case name, number and court of all pending and prior proceedings in other courts that are related to this appeal (e.g., bankruptcy, consolidated or bifurcated proceedings and their dates of disposition.

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1           8.     **Nature of the action.** Briefly describe the nature of the action, including a list of the  
2                   causes of action pleaded and the result below.

3           This is a divorce action after a twenty-four (24) year marriage. The case involved the division of  
4 a substantial community estate, and alimony. Plaintiff /Cross Appellant sought an unequal division of  
5 community property and alimony.

6           In its 114 page Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decree of Divorce, the trial court,  
7 Judge Bryce Duckworth, addressed the effect of Dennis's transfer of millions of dollars of community  
8 funds by to third parties without Gabrielle's knowledge or consent. As more fully set forth in the trial  
9 Court's findings, Dennis supported a mistress, Nadya Khapsalis, for many years during the marriage. He  
10 fathered two children of Ms. Khapsalis (twins, age 8 years). Dennis lived a lavish lifestyle with his  
11 mistress and their children, and transferred millions of dollars of community funds for their benefit. He  
12 also transferred substantial funds for the benefit of his other family members.  
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14           At trial, Gabrielle, through her experts, Anthem Forensics, provided extensive evidence of  
15 Dennis' deceptive waste, dissipation, and improper gifting of community property in violation of his  
16 fiduciary duty to Gabrielle, Nevada statute, and the Joint Preliminary Injunction ("JPI") . The district  
17 court found that Dennis hid his acts from Gabrielle through deception, artifice and fraud, made false  
18 promises to the district court to provide an accounting of his community waste, and submitted  
19 knowingly false statements to the district court to protect his relationship with another one of his  
20 mistresses.  
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22           The district court found that Dennis had improperly transferred or utilized \$4,087,863 of  
23 community funds, and held that Dennis's acts constituted a compelling reason to divide the community  
24 property unevenly. The Court required Dennis to reimburse Gabrielle for one-half of that figure, and  
25 accomplished that reimbursement through an unequal division of parties community assets.  
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1 Gabrielle requested that she be compensated for the opportunity cost “of foregone returns”  
2 associated with Dennis’ improper transfer and use of community assets and income for purposes that did  
3 not benefit the marital community. The district court denied that request.  
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5 Gabrielle also requested an award of alimony based in part upon the massively different post-  
6 divorce earnings of the parties. The district court found that including Dennis’s 2015 W-2 income, his  
7 average annual income for the five years from 2011 through 2015 was \$13,975,268.90. The district  
8 court further found that Gabrielle’s average gross monthly income was \$4,624.30 (or \$55,491.60 per  
9 year) and her net monthly income was \$3,800 (or \$45,600 per year). Despite the wide gap in the parties’  
10 income, the district court awarded Gabrielle only \$18,000 per month in alimony for 108 months (or 9  
11 years). The district court ordered that the alimony be paid in lump sum with a 4% discount rate.  
12 Gabrielle appeals the amount of that award.  
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14 **9. Issues on cross-appeal.** State concisely the principal issue(s) in this appeal:

- 15 • Whether the district court erred in failing to include the normal return the community  
16 would have earned on money Dennis transferred when the Court calculated of the amount  
17 Dennis should reimburse the community for his improper transfer, use and gifts of  
18 community property;
- 19 • Whether the Court erred by failing to compensate the community for expenditures of  
20 community funds for the maintenance, operation, depreciation and use of two yachts  
21 Dennis hid through fraudulent concealment during the marriage;
- 22 • Clarification of the remedies available for a spouse’s violation of the prohibitions  
23 contained in NRS 123.230, and the calculation of damages arising from such a violation;
- 24 • Whether the district court erred by ordering that a spouse’s improper transfer, use or  
25 gifting of community funds could only occur after a marriage was “irretrievably broken”;
- 26 • Whether the district court’s award of alimony for Gabrielle was inadequate based upon  
27 the relative incomes of the parties, the length of the marriage, and other relevant alimony  
28 factors; and,
- Whether the court’s calculation of only \$500 per violation as a sanction for Dennis’s 19  
violations of the Joint Preliminary Injunction was an abuse of discretion considering  
Dennis’s wealth and income.

**10. Pending proceedings in this Court raising the same or similar issues.** If you are  
aware of any proceedings presently pending before this Court that raises the same or

similar issues raised in this appeal, list the case number and docket number and identify the same or similar issues raised:

None.

11. **Constitutional issues.** If this appeal challenges the constitutionality of a statute, and the state, any state agency, or any officer or employee thereof is not a party to this appeal, have you notified the Clerk of this Court and the Attorney General in accordance with NRCP 44 and NRS 30.130?

N/A   X   Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Other issues.** Does this appeal involve any of the following issues?

\_\_\_\_\_ Reversal of well-settled Nevada precedent (on an attachment, identify the case(s))

\_\_\_\_\_ An issue arising under the United States and/or Nevada Constitutions

\_\_\_\_\_ A substantial issue of first impression

\_\_\_\_\_ An issue of public policy

  X   An issue where *en banc* consideration is necessary to maintain uniformity of this Court's decisions

\_\_\_\_\_ A ballot question

If so, explain:

This case presents issues of first impression (one never specifically addressed by decision of this Court and one that is an extension of previous precedent):

This appeal requests clarification of the calculation and metric of damages arising from a parties' improper transfer or gifting of community funds, and whether that calculation should include interest. Though the Court has addressed the issue of an uneven distribution of community property for "community waste," this provides the Court the opportunity to better define the issue, and set guidance for damages arising from waste, specifically the improper gifting of community property prohibited by NRS 123.230.

13. **Trial.** If this action proceeded to trial, how many days did the trial last? Five (5) full days.

14. **Judicial disqualification.** Do you intend to file a motion to disqualify or have a justice recuse him/herself from participation in this appeal? If so, which Justice? No.



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**TIMELINESS OF NOTICE OF APPEAL**

15. **Date of entry of written judgment or order appealed from:** August 22, 2016

Attach a copy. If more than one judgment or order is appealed from, attach copies of each judgment or order from which an appeal is taken.

Exhibit "3" – Notice of Entry of Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decree of Divorce.

16. **Date written notice of entry of judgment or order served:** August 22, 2016.

E-Served Pursuant to NEFCR9 on, or placed in the folder(s) located in Clerk's Office of the attorneys.

17. **If the time for filing the notice of cross-appeal was tolled by a post-judgment motion (NRCF 50(b), 52(b), or 59) specify the type of motion, and the date and method of service of the motion, and date of filing, and attach copies of all post-trial tolling motions:** N/A.

18. **Date Notice of Cross-Appeal was filed:** September 21, 2016. If more than one party has appealed from the judgment or order, list date each notice of appeal was filed and identify by name the party filing the notice of appeal: N/A

19. **Specify statute or rule governing the time limit for filing the Notice of Appeal, e.g., NRAP 4(a), NRS 155.190, or other:** NRAP 4(a)

**SUBSTANTIVE APPEALABILITY**

20. Specify the statute or other authority granting this Court jurisdiction to review the judgment or order appealed from:

NRAP 3A(b)(1)   X   NRS 155.190 \_\_\_\_\_ (specify subsection)

NRAP 3A(b)(2) \_\_\_\_\_ NRS 38.205 \_\_\_\_\_ (specify subsection)

NRAP 3A(b)(3) \_\_\_\_\_ NRS 703.376 \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

NRAP 3A(b)(1) permits an appeal from: "A final judgment entered in an action or proceeding commenced in the court in which the judgment is rendered." Here, the divorce decree is a final judgment.

1       21.    **List all parties involved in the action in the District Court:**

2       GABRIELLE CIOFFI-KOGOD

3       DENNIS KOGOD

4       If all parties in the District Court are not parties to this appeal, explain in detail why those  
5       parties are not involved in this appeal, *e.g.*, formally dismissed, not served, or other: Not  
6       applicable.

7       22.    **Give a brief description (3 to 5 words) of each party's separate claims, counter-**  
8       **claims, cross-claims or third-party claims, and the trial court's disposition of each**  
9       **claim, and how each claim was resolved (*i.e.*, judgment, stipulation), and the date of**  
10      **disposition of each claim. Attach a copy of each disposition.**

11       •   Dennis' claims –

- 12           ○   Dissolution of marriage;
- 13           ○   Equal division of community property;
- 14           ○   Fair and equitable division of community debts;
- 15           ○   No spousal support; and,
- 16           ○   Each party bear their own attorney's fees and costs.

17       •   Gabrielle's claims –

- 18           ○   Dissolution of marriage;
- 19           ○   Spousal support;
- 20           ○   Unequal division of community property;
- 21           ○   Confirmation of separate property;
- 22           ○   Attorney's Fees and Costs; and,
- 23           ○   Order to Show Cause/Sanctions against Dennis for violation of the JPI.

24      23.    **Did the judgment or order appealed from adjudicate ALL the claims alleged below**  
25      **and the rights and liabilities of ALL the parties to the action below?**

26        X   No              Yes

27      24.    **If you answered "No" to the immediately previous question, complete the following:**

- 28       (a) Specify the claims remaining pending below: Pursuant to NRCP 54, Gabrielle has  
filed a Motion for Attorney's Fees and Costs which is scheduled for a hearing before  
the district court on October 18, 2016.
- (b) Specify the parties remaining below: Gabrielle Cioffi-Kogod and Dennis Kogod.
- (c) Did the District Court certify the judgment or order appealed from as a final judgment  
pursuant to NRCP 54(b)?

1                      X   No                           Yes                    **If Yes, attach a copy of the certification or order,**  
2                    **including any notice of entry and proof of service.**

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4                    (d) Did the District Court make an express determination, pursuant to NRCP 54(b), that  
5                    there is no just reason for delay and an express direction for the entry of judgment:

6                      X   No                           Yes

7                    25.    **If you answered “No” to any part of question 25, explain the basis for seeking**  
8                    **appellate review:** The order is independently appealable under NRAP 3A(b).

9                    26. **Attach file-stamped copies of the following documents:**

- 10                    • The latest-filed complaint, counterclaims, cross-claims, and third partyclaims  
11                    • Any tolling motion(s) and order(s) resolving tolling motion(s)  
12                    • Orders of NRCP 41(a) dismissals formally resolving each claim, countermotions,  
13                    cross-claims and/or third party claims asserted in the action or consolidated action  
14                    below, even if not at issue on appeal  
15                    • Any other order challenged on appeal  
16                    • Notices of entry for each attached order

17                    Exhibit “1” - Complaint for Divorce

18                    Exhibit “2” - Answer to Complaint for Divorce and Counterclaim

19                    Exhibit “3” - Notice of Entry of Finding of Facts, Conclusion of Law and Decree of  
20                    Divorce

21                    **VERIFICATION**

22                    I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read this Docketing Statement, and that the information  
23                    provided in this Docketing Statement is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, information and  
24                    belief, and that I have attached all required documents to this Docketing Statement.

25                    Gabrielle Cioffi-Kogod  
26                    Name of Respondent/Cross-Appellant  
27                    10/19/2016  
28                    Date

29                    Radford J. Smith, Esq.  
30                    Name of Counsel of Record  
31                    [Signature]  
32                    Signature of counsel of record

33                    State of Nevada, County of Clark  
34                    State and County where signed



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on the 19 day of October, 2016, I served a copy of this Docketing Statement upon all counsel of record by mailing it by first class mail with sufficient postage prepaid to the following address:

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