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Notice of hereby given that defendants MMAWC, LLC, BRUCE DEIFIK and NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP respectfully appeal to the Nevada Supreme Court the District Court's March 13, 2018, Order Denying Motion to Dismiss and To Compel Arbitration.

Among other things, NRS 38.247(1)(a) provides: "An appeal may be taken from...[a]n order denying a motion to compel arbitration." *Id*.

Dated: April 11, 2018.

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1	Defendants MMAWC, LLC ("MMAWC"), BRUCE DEIFIK ("Deifik") and The
2	NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP ("Family Partnership")
3	submit the following Case Appeal Statement pursuant to NRAP 3(f):
4	1. The name of the Judge who entered order being appealed: The Honorable
5	Nancy Allf, Eighth Judicial District Court, Department 27.
6 7	2. The name of each appellant and the name and address of counsel for each
8	appellant: The appellants are defendants MMAWC, Deifik and the Family Partnership, and
9	their counsel is:
10	MAXIMILIANO D. COUVILLIER III, Esq.
11	Nevada State Bar No. 007661 Black & LoBello
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14	mcouvillier@blacklobello.law
15	3. The name of each respondent and the name and address of counsel for each
16	respondent: The respondents are the plaintiffs ZION WOOD OBI WAN TRUST ("Zion
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f counsel for each AN TRUST ("Zion Trust"), SHAWN WRIGHT ("Wright") as trustee of ZION WOOD OBI WAN TRUST; and WSOF GLOBAL, LLC ("Global"), and their counsel is:

> Byron Thomas, Esq. (Bar 8906) 3275 S. Jones Blvd., Ste. 104 Las Vegas, NV 89146 Byronthomaslaw@gmail.com Ph. 702-747-3103

- All attorneys identified in Numbers 2 and 3, supra, are licensed to practice in 4. Nevada.
- Appellants were not represented by appointed counsel in the District Court 5. and are not being represented by appointed counsel on appeal.
  - Appellants did not apply and were not granted leave proceed in forma 6.

- 7. The date the proceedings commenced in the District Court: The proceedings were commenced by the filing of the Complaint on November 3, 2017.
- 8. Brief description of the action and result in the District Court including the type of the order being appealed:

Respondents/Plaintiffs hold certain interests in MMAWC. MMAWC's previous primary asset and business was operating and promoting mixed martial arts ("MMA") events under the marks and monikers "World Series of Fighting" and "WSOF," which intellectual property MMAWC owned. In 2016, MMAWC sold substantially all of its assets, including the "World Series of Fighting" and "WSOF" marks and monikers, to MMAX Investment Partners, Inc. ("MMAX"). MMAWC refocused its business from operating and promoting its own MMA events and became an investor in MMAX, and MMAX began operating and promoting its own MMA events under MMAX's marks and monikers "WSOF", "World Series of Fighting", and "Professional Fighter's League." Thus, MMAWC's current primary asset and operation is being an investor in MMAX.

Respondents/Plaintiffs are not direct investors, and do not hold any rights, in MMAX. By their lawsuit, however, respondents/plaintiffs are attempting to somehow transcend their interest in MMACW into a direct ownership interest in MMAX, and MMAX's intellectual properties.

All of Respondents' causes of action are contract-based and subject to a mandatory Arbitration provision. The Arbitration provision was negotiated and jointly drafted by respondent/plaintiff Global, Global's predecessor, Global's controlling individuals, and respondents' counsel, Byron Thomas, Esq. The express agreement to the jointly negotiated and drafted Arbitration provision was manifested in the written communications between the parties, and exchange of drafts during the joint drafting process.

When the parties finalized the Arbitration provision, however, the parties did not include

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language and initials or separate signatures to further manifest their agreement to the Arbitration provision [such being manifestly redundant]. Nevertheless, the District Court found that such failure resulted in non-compliance with NRS 597.995, voided the jointly drafted and negotiated Arbitration provision, and denied appellants/defendants' motion to compel arbitration.

- 9. The case has <u>not</u> been previously the subject of an appeal to or original writ proceeding in the Supreme Court or Court of Appeals.
  - 10. The appeal does <u>not</u> involve child custody or visitation.
- 11. This is a civil appeal and, albeit unlikely, it may involve the possibility of settlement.

Dated: April 11, 2018.

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CASE NO.: A-17-764118-C **DISTRICT COURT DEPT: 27** 

NOTICE OF POSTING BOND ON APPEAL BY DEFENDANTS MMAWC, LLC, BRUCE DEIFIK & THE NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP

1	Notice of hereby given that, on April 12, 2018, defendants MMAWC, LLC, BRUCE
2	DEIFIK and NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP posted a bond
3	on appeal in the sum of \$500. A copy of the Official Receipt of the bond check paid to the Clark
4	County District Court Clerk is attached here as Exhibit 1.
5	Dated: April 12, 2018.
6	BLACK & LOBELLO
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9	/s/ Maximiliano D. Couvillier III Maximiliano D. Couvillier III, Esq.
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# EXHIBIT 1

### **OFFICIAL RECEIPT**

### District Court Clerk of the Court 200 Lewis Ave, 3rd Floor Las Vegas, NV 89101

Payor Christopher Childs, Chtd Receipt No. 2018-25416-CCCLK

Transaction Date 04/12/2018

Description Amount Paid

On Behalf Of MMAWC LLC

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Zion Wood Obi Wan Trust, Plaintiff(s) vs. MMAWC LLC, Defendant(s)

Appeal Bond

Appeal Bond SUBTOTAL

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#### DEPARTMENT 27

# CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-17-764118-C

Zion Wood Obi Wan Trust, Plaintiff(s) vs. MMAWC LLC, Defendant(s) Location: Department 27
Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy
Filed on: 1/03/2017
Cross-Reference Case
Number:

**CASE INFORMATION** 

Case Type: Other Civil Matters

Case Flags: Appealed to Supreme Court

DATE CASE ASSIGNMENT

**Current Case Assignment** 

Case Number Court Date Assigned Judicial Officer A-17-764118-C Department 27 11/03/2017 Allf, Nancy

**PARTY INFORMATION** 

Plaintiff Wright, Shawn Lead Attorneys
Thomas, Byron E.

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Silva, Carlos

Deifik, Bruce

Defendant

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Filed By: Plaintiff Zion Wood Obi Wan Trust; Plaintiff WSOF Global, LLC; Plaintiff Wright, Shawn

Complaint

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12/07/2017	Summons Electronically Issued - Service Pending Summons
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01/08/2018	Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant MMAWC LLC Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure
01/08/2018	Motion to Dismiss  Filed By: Defendant MMAWC LLC  Motion to Dismiss Complaint and to Compel Arbitration
02/02/2018	Opposition to Motion to Dismiss  Filed By: Plaintiff Zion Wood Obi Wan Trust; Plaintiff Wright, Shawn  Opposition to Defendant MMAWC, LLC d/b/a World Series of Foghting Motion to Dismiss
02/15/2018	Reply in Support Filed By: Defendant MMAWC LLC Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss Complaint and to Compel Arbitration
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03/13/2018	Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice (Judicial Officer: Allf, Nancy) Debtors: Zion Wood Obi Wan Trust (Plaintiff), WSOF Global, LLC (Plaintiff), Shawn Wright (Plaintiff) Creditors: MMAWC LLC (Defendant) Judgment: 03/13/2018, Docketed: 03/13/2018 Comment: Certain Cause
03/13/2018	Order  Order Re: MMAWC, LLC's Motion to Dismiss and to Compel Arbitration
03/14/2018	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant MMAWC LLC Notice of Entry of Order Re: MMAWC, LLC's Motion to Dismiss and to Compel Arbitration

#### DEPARTMENT 27

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	Defendant Deifik, Bruce Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 4/13/2018	253.00 253.00 <b>0.00</b>
	Defendant MMAWC LLC Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 4/13/2018	247.00 247.00 <b>0.00</b>
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#### DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

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ORDER RE: MMAWC, LLC's MOTION TO DISMISS AND TO COMPEL

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1	TO COMPEL ARBITRATION was entered in the above-entitled matter on the 13th day of March
2	2018, a copy of which is attached hereto.
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4	Dated this 14 <sup>th</sup> day of March 2018.
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arbitration because it finds the arbitration provision at issue is void pursuant to NRS 597.995.
Dated:March, 2018.
District Court Judge
Respectfully Submitted By,
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# DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Other Civil Matters

#### **COURT MINUTES**

February 21, 2018

A-17-764118-C

Zion Wood Obi Wan Trust, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

MMAWC LLC, Defendant(s)

February 21, 2018

10:00 AM

**Motion to Dismiss** 

**HEARD BY:** Allf, Nancy

**COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03A

COURT CLERK: Nicole McDevitt

**RECORDER:** Brynn Griffiths

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Couvillier III, Maximiliano D.

Attorney

Thomas, Byron E.

Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Arguments by counsel regarding the merits of and opposition to the pending motion. Court stated its findings and ORDERED, Motion to Dismiss Complaint and to Compel Arbitration GRANTED IN PART as to civil rico, Court will have thirty days after entry of order to amend, or leave the complaint as is and seek later to amend after discovery is taken; motion DENIED IN PART in all other respects. Mr. Couviller to prepare the order and submit it to opposing counsel for approval.

PRINT DATE: 02/26/2018 Page 1 of 1 Minutes Date: February 21, 2018

# **Certification of Copy**

State of Nevada
County of Clark

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

NOTICE OF APPEAL BY DEFENDANTS MMAWC, LLC, BRUCE DEIFIK & THE NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP; CASE APPEAL STATEMENT BY DEFENDANTS MMAC, LLC, BRUCE DEIFIK & THE NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP; NOTICE OF POSTING BOND ON APPEAL BY DEFENDANTS MMAWC, LLC, BRUCE DEIFIK & THE NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP; DISTRICT COURT DOCKET ENTRIES; CIVIL COVER SHEET; ORDER RE: MMAWC, LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS AND TO COMPEL ARBITRATION; NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER RE: MMAWC, LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS AND TO COMPEL ARBITRATION; AMENDED NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER RE: MMAWC, LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS AND TO COMPEL ARBITRATION; DISTRICT COURT MINUTES

ZION WOOD OBI WAN TRUST; SHAWN WRIGHT as trustee of ZION WOOD OBI WAN TRUST; WSOF GLOBAL, LLC,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

MMAWC, LLC dba WORLD SERIES OF FIGHTING; MMAX INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. dba PROFESSIONAL FIGHTERS LEAGUE; BRUCE DEIFIK; CARLOS SILVA; NANCY AND BRUCE DEIFIK FAMILY PARTNERSHIP LLLP; KEITH REDMOND,

Defendant(s),

now on file and of record in this office.

Case No: A-17-764118-C

Dept No: XXVII

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 13 day of April 2018.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk A-17-764118-C

Christopher Childs, Chtd. 901 N. Green Valley Parkway, #150 Henderson, NV 89074 Nevada State Bank P.O. Box 990 Las Vegas, Nevada 89125 94-77/1224

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