## In the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST u.a.d. 10/11/16	) )	Liectronically Filed Jan 09 2019 04:50 p.m. Elizabeth A. Brown
SUSAN CHRISTIAN-PAYNE, ROSEMARY KEACH AND RAYMOND CHRISTIAN, JR. Appellants,	Case No.:	Clerk of Supreme Court
ANTHONY L. BARNEY, LTD. and JACQUELINE UTKIN,  Respondents.	) ) )	
ANTHONY L. BARNEY, LTD.,  Cross-Appellant,  -vs- SUSAN CHRISTIAN-PAYNE, ROSEMARY KEACH AND RAYMOND CHRISTIAN, JR.	) ) ) ) )	
Cross-Respondents, and JACQUELINE UTKIN, Respondent.	) ) ) )	

#### APPELLANT/CROSS-RESPONDENTS' APPENDIX - VOLUME 2

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APPENDI	XX VOLUME 1:	
7/13/17	Petition to Assume Jurisdiction of Trust; Confirm Trustees; Instructions, etc.	APP-ROA001-72
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8/22/17	Errata to Notice of Motion and Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(1) and NRCP 12(b)(5)	APP-ROA—98-101
9/15/17	Supplement and Addendum to Petition to Assume Jurisdiction of Trust; confirm Trustees' Instructions, etc. Alternatively to Reform Trust Agreement	APP-ROA102-105
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APPENDIX VOLUME 13a:					
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4/4/18	Hearing Transcript Part 3	APP-ROA-1087-1111			
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4/4/18	Hearing Transcript Part 4	APP-ROA-1112-1134			

DATE **DOCUMENT** NUMBERED APPENDIX VOLUME 14a: 4/10/18 Motion for (1) Fees Pursuant to NRS 165.148 (2) Compliance with and Enforcement of Court Order and Sanctions; (3) for Order to Show Cause Why Former Trustees Should Not be Held in Contempt, and (4) for Extension of Discovery APP-ROA-1135-1279 Part 1 APPENDIX VOLUME 14b: 4/10/18 Motion for (1) Fees Pursuant to NRS 165.148 (2) Compliance with and Enforcement of Court Order and Sanctions; (3) for Order to Show Cause Why Former Trustees Should Not be Held in Contempt, and APP-ROA-1180-1224 (4) for Extension of Discovery Part 2 **APPENDIX VOLUME 15:** 4/12/18 Notice of Entry of Order (Barney Petition Fees) APP-ROA-1225-1232 4/19/18 Petitioner's Combined Opposition to (1) Motion to Turnover Assets and Dissolve Injunction over Trust Assets; (2) Motion to 1. Expunge Lis Pendens and 2. Preliminary Injunction and Countermotion for Distribution/ Termination of Trust; Alternatively for Stay/ Set Bond and Set Evidentiary APP-ROA-1233-1254 Hearing 4/19/18 Opposition to Motion for (1) fees, (2) compliance,

Property (2nd request)

(3) for Order to Show Cause and (4) Extension of Discovery, countermotion to Distribute Trust

APP-ROA-1255-1292

### DATE **DOCUMENT** NUMBERED **APPENDIX VOLUME 16:** 5/8/18 Response to Combined Opposition to (1) Motion to Turnover Assets and Dissolve Injunction Over Trust Assets; (2) Motion to 1. Expunge Lis Pendens and 2. Preliminary Injunction and Opposition to Countermotion or Distribution/ Termination of Trust; Alternatively for Stay, Set Bond and Set Evidentiary Hearing APP-ROA-1293-1333 5/11/18 Supplement to response to Combined Opposition to (1) Motion to Turnover Assets and Dissolve Injunction Over Trust Assets; (2) Motion to 1. Expunge Lis Pendens and 2. Preliminary Injunction and Opposition to Countermotion for Distribution/Termination of Trust; Alternatively for Stay/Set Bond and APP-ROA-1334-1337 Set Evidentiary Hearing **Hearing Transcript** 5/16/18 APP-ROA-1338-1390 APPENDIX VOLUME 17: Notice of Entry of Order (Utkin suspension) 6/1/18 APP-ROA-1391-1401 10/8/18 Notice of Entry – Probate Commissioner R&R (Hearing re Utkin removal) APP-ROA-1402-1408 11/13/18 Notice of Entry – Order Affirming Probate Commissioner R&R (Utkin removal) APP-ROA-1409-1414

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THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST

Dated October 11,2016

### REPLY TO PETITIONER'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS

Nancy Christian ("Nancy" or "Trustor"), by and through their attorneys at the law firm of Anthony L. Barney, Ltd. files the above-referenced Reply to Petitioner's Motion to Dismiss ("Reply") requesting relief from this Court. This Motion is based upon the pleadings and papers on file herein, the memorandum of points and authorities, any exhibits filed herewith, the Verification attached hereto, and any oral arguments presented at the time of the hearing.

Dated this 4th day of October 2017.

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### MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

#### I. Facts Presented:

Nancy filed her motion to dismiss the Petition based upon the lack of standing of the prior trustees, Susan Christian-Payne, Rosemary Keach and Raymond Christian, Jr. ("Prior Trustees"), as contingent beneficiaries of the trust but not vested beneficiaries. The Prior Trustees filed an opposition to the motion to dismiss on September 15, 2017 to which Nancy files this Reply.

As a preliminary matter, the Prior Trustees have complained of the lack of admissible evidence supporting Nancy's factual statements although Nancy verified all factual statements under penalty of perjury. Unlike Nancy's verified statements, however, the Prior Trustees and their attorney are making defamatory and untruthful statements to support their alleged version of the events without any supporting evidence or verifications under penalty of perjury. Indeed, the Prior Trustees will be unable to provide such evidence, because their version of alleged events is false. If this court denies Nancy's motion to dismiss, Nancy will present several witnesses and documentary evidence, which will confirm the severe abuse suffered by her and her husband at the hands of the Prior Trustees.

Nancy and her husband were being cared for by the Prior Trustees after Nancy's husband was released from the hospital in early 2016. Susan Christian-Payne, essentially forced their way back into Nancy and her husband's life in early 2016 after being estranged from Nancy and her husband, Raymond T. Christian ("Raymond Sr.") for several years prior. The Prior Trustees were abusive to both Nancy and her husband and it is believed that they directly contributed to Raymond Sr.'s death. Upon information and belief, after Raymond Sr.'s death,

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See Letter to Cary Colt Payne from Joseph J. Powell, Esq., dated June 27, 2017 attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit C.

the Petitioners pillaged the Trust funds to go on extravagant vacations, wrongfully took life insurance proceeds, and they have now removed Trust funds from the Trust account.

On June 13, 2017, after the Prior Trustees refused to provide Nancy with any Trust funds, Nancy informed Mr. Payne that the Prior Trustees had been removed as trustees on June 12, 2017 pursuant to the clear language of the Trust. She further requested the Trust funds be safeguarded and transferred to the new trustee.2 The Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee was attached to the June 13th Letter.3 To certify that the Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee was procured without undue influence, duress or menace. Nancy went to another attorney who provided her with a Certificate of Independent Review pursuant to NRS 155.097.

Then, on June 21, 2017, Nancy followed up with an electronic email to alert Mr. Payne and the Prior Trustees of the attorney for the new trustee, Monte Reason ("Mr. Reason") and to safeguard the trust assets until the Certificate of Incumbency was provided.4 On June 27, 2017, Joseph Powell, Esq., counsel for Mr. Reason, provided Mr. Payne with a certificate of incumbency indicating that Monte Reason had been appointed as Trustee.5

However, three days later, on June 30, 2017, the Prior Trustees removed \$267,902.53 from the Trust bank account despite the fact that they had been given explicit notice of their lack of authority to act on behalf of the Trust.6 On September 21, 2017, after Nancy received

1 See Letter to Cary Colt Payne dated June 13, 2017 from Tiffany S. Barney, Esq., attached hereto and incorporated

<sup>2</sup> Id. 3 See attachment to Exhibit A. 4 See Email dated June 21, 2017 from Tiffany S. Barney, Esq., to Cary Colt Payne, Esq., attached hereto and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Bank Statement for Chase Bank Account attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit D.

documentary evidence of the withdrawal of Trust funds, Nancy again requested that the Trust funds be provided to the new trustee.<sup>7</sup>

The Prior Trustees have ignored any and all requests by Nancy, the trustor, or Mr. Reason, the successor trustee, to deliver the Trust funds to the successor trustee who is the rightful custodian of the Trust funds. Nancy hereby reserves her right to raise the claims of conversion, breach of fiduciary duty, and to invoke the no-contest clause against the petitioners if necessary for their present actions in this matter.

#### II. Legal Authority and Argument:

## A. The Petitioners lack standing because they are not vested as beneficiaries and they are not trustees

Notably, the prior Trustees base their standing on two premises 1) that they were signatories to the Trust agreement, and 2) that Trust Provision 9.3 was a scrivener's error. The Prior Trustees acknowledged their duties as trustees on the Trust Agreement; but, as soon as they were removed as trustees on June 12, 2017, their standing as trustees was eliminated. Thus, they do not have standing as trustees of the Trust, because they are no longer trustees of the Trust.

Second, Trust Provision 9.3 is not a scrivener's error. Although the Prior Trustees refer to the Trust as "our trust" and that David Grant, Esq., is "their" attorney<sup>8</sup>, and that he will allegedly attest to the scrivener's error, David Grant, Esq., was (or should have been) acting as Nancy and Raymond Sr.'s attorney in the drafting and execution of the Trust. If David Grant, Esq., indeed believes that Trust Provision 9.3 is in error, as the Prior Trustees claim, then, there

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Letter from Tiffany S. Barney, Esq., to Cary Colt Payne, Esq., dated September 21, 2017, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit E.

<sup>8</sup> See Exhibit A of the Prior Trustees' Opposition.

 are serious ethical and malpractice issues in relation to his representation of Nancy and Raymond Sr., which will be addressed further below.

Notably, the only documentary evidence of the alleged "scrivener's error" is inadmissible as hearsay. While there are several exceptions to hearsay, this document does not fall under any exception. Unless or until the Petitioner's provide a sworn statement from Mr. Grant or obtain his testimony at hearing regarding any alleged scrivener's error, they have provided no admissible evidence to support their new theory to attempt to provide them with standing.

Furthermore, in Nevada, extrinsic evidence is rejected where the document is clear and unambiguous. "If the language of the trust instrument is plain and capable of legal construction, that language determines the force and effect of the instrument." [and] extrinsic evidence will not be admitted to alter the plain language of the instrument." Section 9.3 of the Trust is clear and unambiguous and states, "[a]fter the death of the first Trustor to die, the surviving Trustor shall have the power to change the Trustee or Successor Trustee of the Trust by an instrument in writing signed by the surviving Trustor and delivered to the Trustee." There is no ambiguity in this provision nor does any other provision of the Trust create an ambiguity regarding this provision. Therefore, no extrinsic evidence, including any possible testimony from David Grant, or any other person, may be admitted to alter the plain language of the Trust.

Finally, even if David Grant wanted to testify consistent with the Prior Trustee's hearsay email, and even if the court could accept extrinsic evidence, Mr. Grant's testimony in this matter would be subject to the attorney-client privilege, and would violate his duty of confidentiality, as well as other ethical duties owed by him to Nancy, his former client. Nancy has never

provided written consent to Mr. Grant, which would allow him to divulge her privileged or confidential information to the Prior Trustees, or any other person now living. In the absence of such consent, Mr. Grant would be unable to testify.

As contingent beneficiaries, the Prior Trustees do not have an enforceable right or interest under the Trust. Therefore, they are not interested persons pursuant to NRS 132.185. As previously briefed and approvingly cited by Mr. Payne, <sup>10</sup> "Nevada statutes do not contemplate beneficiaries to a revocable inter vivos trust challenging the trust until the settlor's death. Furthermore, such beneficiaries have only a contingent interest, <u>at most</u>, while the settlor is still alive. That interest does not vest until the settlor's death. Other jurisdictions addressing the issue have held similarly."

Therefore, the Prior Trustees lack standing to bring their present petition. Without standing, they are unable to bring their petition and allege claims under any of the statutes they cite in their Opposition.<sup>12</sup>

### B. The Prior Trustees are not vested beneficiaries of the Trust prior to Nancy's passing.

The Petitioner's would have this court believe they are vested beneficiaries of the Trust prior to Nancy's passing. Such a position is contrary to the terms of the Trust and controlling case law.

The trust explicitly states that the entirety of the Trust is to be used for the benefit of the surviving spouse. 13 The Trust further requires that the Trust residence be preserved for the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Frei v. Goodsell, 305 P.3d 70, 74, 2013 Nev. LEXIS 53, \*12-13, 129 Nev. Adv. Rep. 43, 2013 WL 3366670 (Emphasis added.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Mr. Payne's objection filed August 14, 2017 in Case Number P-17-090719-T at page 5 lines 7-19 arguing that until the death of the surviving settlor, no remainder beneficiary has standing to bring a petition challenging the trust or its administration, "[the] beneficiaries have only a contingent interest, at most, while the settlor is still alive. That interest does not vest until after the settlor's death."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Linthicum v. Rudi, 122 Nev. 1452, 1457, (Nev. Dec. 28, 2006) (Emphasis added).

<sup>12</sup> See Page 4, lines 26-28 of Prior Trustees' Opposition

Survivor and that if the Trust residence is sold, at the direction of the Survivor, the funds shall be used to purchase or build another residence for the survivor.<sup>14</sup>

Finally, Section 6.1 of the Trust provides for distribution to the contingent beneficiaries only after "the death of both Trustors." The Petitioner's reliance on Section 6.1(g) is misplaced. The Relevant portion of Section 6.1 (g) states "Moreover, in the event the home referred to in this section 6.1 was sold prior to the Survivor's death, then an amount equal to the net proceeds shall be set aside to be held and distributed pursuant to the above terms of this section 6.1." Section 6.1 does <u>not</u> allow for distribution prior to the death of the survivor, but merely allows for the net proceeds of the sale of the home to be held and distributed according to section 6.1. Section 6.1 provides for distribution <u>only after</u> the death of both Trustors.

In other words, no distribution to any contingent beneficiaries may be made until after the death of the Survivor. To state the obvious, Nancy is the Survivor and she is not dead; therefore, any distributions or request for distributions is entirely premature.

Furthermore, the net proceeds of the sale of the home are required to be used to purchase or build another residence for the survivor. This cannot be done if the net proceed were to be immediately distributed to the contingent beneficiaries.

Finally, the retention of the net proceeds from the sale of the residence is subject to the distributions which the Trustee, Monte, is authorized to make to Nancy for her health, education, maintenance, and support. The Prior Trustees lack a vested interest in the Trust because their potential rights are contingent upon surviving Nancy and upon there being any remaining assets in the Trust estate at Nancy's death.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See section 4.3 of the trust which provides "Any remaining property, both income and principle of this trust estate shall be retained in the Survivor's Trust for the benefit of the Survivor."
<sup>14</sup> See Section 4.4 of the Trust.

Even if the Court accepts the Prior Trustees' incorrect and tortured reading of the Trust and allows an immediate distribution to the Petitioner upon the sale of the Trust Residence, <sup>15</sup> the Petitioner's still lack standing, because they have already removed far more than their share from the net proceeds of the sale of the Trust-owned Property. <sup>16</sup> The funds from the sale of the Trust Residence were deposited into the Trust account and, thereafter, was removed on June 30, 2017 by the Prior Trustees without authority, despite having received several letters from Tiffany Barney, Esq., and Joey Powell, Esq., requesting the Prior Trustees safeguard and delivery of Trust assets to Mr. Reason. <sup>17</sup> The Prior Trustees wrongfully removed \$267,902.53 from the Trust account – an amount which is approximately \$70,000.00 more than the total net proceeds from the sale of the Trust Residence. Although Nancy absolutely rejects the Prior Trustee's argument that they are entitled to the net proceeds of the sale prior to her passing, the Prior Trustees have effectively distributed to themselves, much more than even they claim is allowed under the Trust and, thus, satisfied their alleged interest that they believe imbues them with standing in this matter.

For the purposes of NRS 153, 163, and 164, the Petitioner's do not become beneficiaries unless or until the contingency, a remaining trust estate at Nancy's death, is satisfied. Unless or until this occurs, the Petitioner's cannot claim standing as a contingent beneficiary of the Trust.

In summary, without admissible evidence, the Prior Trustees remain without standing or authority as trustees, because they are no longer trustees. They also fail to show how they are current beneficiaries of the Trust. Therefore, they lack standing to bring their petition and it should be dismissed in its entirety.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Such a position would create taxable lifetime gifts from Nancy which would require her to pay taxes on the amount transferred to the Trustees. This is a clear breach of fiduciary duty as it is solely for the Trustee's benefit and to the detriment of Nancy who is the sole beneficiary of the Trust.

### C. Nancy has not breached the Trust Agreement.

The Prior Trustees' claims regarding an alleged breach of trust is nothing more than misrepresentations of law and fact and has no merit. First, the Prior Trustees assert that the purpose of the Trust was to allegedly protect Nancy from undue influence, yet there is no admissible evidence to support this claim.

Second, the Prior Trustees assert that the Trust was funded solely with Raymond's separate property, again, with no evidence. In fact, the Dancing Vines property, the only asset to which Nancy has extensive documentation (the Prior Trustees kept all of Nancy's paperwork after they threw her out of the Dancing Vines property), shows that it was held in joint tenancy by Raymond Sr. and Nancy since 2009. This evidence directly contradicts the Prior Trustees' claims regarding the funding of the Trust. Most importantly, there is a presumption that all property acquired during marriage is community property, <sup>18</sup> and the Petitioners have provided nothing that would rebut this presumption.

The Prior Trustees again make allegations regarding the purpose of the Trust and Nancy's intentions without providing any admissible evidence to support such allegations. Indeed, Nancy has a very different opinion of the purpose of the Trust and the status of the trustees. Again, David Grant's testimony is immaterial as the unambiguous Trust document clearly provides Nancy with the power to change Trustees. Furthermore, Nancy's intent is best addressed by her not by outside third parties.

The Prior Trustee's claim that exercising an express right clearly written in the Trust agreement is a breach of the agreement is wholly without merit and defies logic. A party

<sup>16</sup> See Exhibit D.

<sup>17</sup> See Exhibits A-C.

<sup>18</sup> See NRS 125

exercising a right specifically and unambiguously reserved to that party in the agreement does not breach the agreement by exercising that right. Notably, the Trust does not state that the Trustees cannot be removed or even that their appointment is permanent anywhere in the Trust agreement. Instead, the Trust provides that the surviving Trustor may remove the Trustees at any time.<sup>19</sup>

Further, the fact that the Prior Trustees signed an acceptance and acknowledgement of their duties as trustees at the time the Trust was created, does not invalidate Section 9.3 allowing Nancy to change the trustees. Accepting their duties as trustees of the Trust did not give them a right to change or amend the provisions of the Trust. In fact, Section 9 does not provide such authority.

Basically, Nancy is not in breach of the Trust agreement for exercising a right provided in the Trust agreement. More importantly, the Prior Trustees do not have the ability to change or amend Nancy's right to change the trustees.

## D. Nancy has not expressly or impliedly waived her rights under the Trust.

The Prior Trustees last spurious claim involves the concept of waiver. They claim that because Nancy signed the Trust agreement, which named the Petitioners as trustees (even though the agreement explicitly reserved Nancy's right to remove them), that she has waived her right to remove them as Trustee. Again, this position is completely without merit.

As pointed out by the Prior Trustees, a waiver may be express or implied. An express waiver requires clear language waiving a particular claim or claims. No such language is contained in the Trust or any other documents. Therefore, Nancy didn't expressly waive her right to change Trustees.

<sup>19</sup> See Section 9.3 of the Trust.

Thus, the Prior Trustees apparently believe that Nancy impliedly waived her right to remove them as Trustees. An implied waiver may only be found "based on conduct which is inconsistent with any other intention than to waive a right." Additionally, "the law does not favor implied waivers." As a matter of law, the express reservation of a right in a written agreement prevents a claim of waiver. 22

Herein, the Prior Trustees have identified no conduct which is inconsistent with any other intention than to waive Nancy's right to remove the Prior Trustees. In other words, Nancy showed conduct consistent with her understanding that she could remove the Prior Trustees and she did so – she never showed any evidence that she impliedly waived her right to remove the Prior Trustees. Even from the outset, the inclusion of an express reservation of the right to remove the Trustees in section 9.3 of the Trust provides evidence wholly inconsistent with waiver.

Clearly, the exercise of a right provided by the trust agreement does not constitute a breach of the agreement, nor does the signing of the agreement expressly reserving the right constitute a waiver of that right. Therefore, Nancy has not waived her right to remove the Prior Trustees. She removed them on June 12, 2017 and they have been put on notice that if they do not deliver Trust property to Mr. Reason, the successor trustee, then the appropriate claims shall be brought against them.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> McKellar v. McKellar, 110 Nev. 200, 871 P.2d 296, 297 (Nev. 1994).

#### III. Prayer for Relief

WHEREFORE, Nancy respectfully requests that this Court issue the following findings and orders:

- 1. The Court dismiss the Prior Trustees' Petition in its entirety;
- The Court find that the evidence attached as Exhibit A to the Prior Trustees'
   Objection is hearsay;
- The Court find that the Prior Trustees brought their petition with unreasonable grounds;
- The Court grant attorney fees and costs pursuant to NRS 18.010 and 18.020 to
   Trustor Nancy Christian; and
  - The Court grant further relief as the Court deems just and proper.
     DATED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

Respectfully submitted, ANTHONY / BARYEY, LTD.

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<sup>22</sup> Iowa Mining Co. v. Bonanza Mining Co., 16 Nev. 64, 74, 1881 Nev. LEXIS 11, \*17-18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> D'Errico v. D'Errico, 51 Nev. 76, 79, 269 P. 26, 26, 1928 Nev. LEXIS 13, \*3 (Nev. 1928), citing Keane v. Murphy, 19 Nev. 89; State v. Murphy, 29 Nev. 247; 40 Cyc. 261; Burlock v. Shupe (Utah), 17 P. 10; Jenkins v. Stephens (Utah), 231 P. 112; Everett v. Jones (Utah), 91 P. 360.

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
2	I hereby certify that I am an employee of Anthony L. Barney, Ltd. and not a party to the
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# **EXHIBIT A**

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June 13, 2017

Cary Colt Payne, Esq. CARY COLT PAYNE, CHTD. 700 S. Eighth Street Las Vegas, NV 89101

Re: Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 ("Trust")
Our Client: Nancy Christian, Trustor and Survivor of the Trust

VIA US FIRST CLASS MAIL AND EMAIL

Dear Mr. Payne,

We are in receipt of the documents provided by the former trustees of the Trust. My client hereby reserves her right to address and/or object to what appears to be the inappropriate use of Trust funds for the former trustees' personal expenses and vacations.

Please be on notice that our client has exercised her right under Provision 9.3 of the Trust to change the trustee of her trust. Please find enclosed the Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee of the Trust ("Modification and Designation"), which makes this change. The recorded Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee of the Trust is attached hereto as Attachment 1. Please be on further notice that she has also obtained an independent attorney review of the Modification and Designation to certify that she was not under any undue influence when the document was executed.

Therefore, we are putting your clients on notice that they are to immediately safeguard and retain all trust property, cease any further use of Trust funds for any purposes, and promptly turn over the Trust funds to the newly designated trustee. A Certificate of Incumbency will shortly follow. If such funds are not provided, our client will request that the court take jurisdiction over the trust and the newly designated trustee, and request that your client turn over the trust funds by court order.

Please be further advised that we reserve the right to bring all remedies under law that are available to our client for any malfeasance or bad acts by the former trustees.

Letter to Cary Colt Payne June 12, 2017 Page 2 of 2

This includes all past and present actions, as well as future actions taken by the former trustees after the date of this correspondence.

If you have any further questions, please feel to contact my office. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

THEFANY S. BARNEY Attorney at Law

tiffany@anthonybarney.com

Encl: Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee

# **Attachment 1**



RECORDING REQUESTED BY:

Anthony L. Barney, Ltd. 3317 W. Charleston Blvd, Suite B Las Vegas, NV 89102

Mail recorded declaration to:

Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 304 Orland St., #39 Las Vegas, NV 89107 Inst #: 20170612-0001212

Fees: \$18.00 N/C Fee: \$0.00

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## MODIFICATION AND DESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE AND SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

#### LET IT BE KNOWN THAT:

I, Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 (hereinafter "Trustor"), do hereby certify, designate, and declare as follows:

- I am the Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 ("Trust") as stated in Declaration of the Trust Agreement.
- Pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Trust, the Trustor has the power to change the Trustee or Successor Trustee of the Trust by an instrument in writing signed by the surviving Trustor and delivered to the Trustee.
- I hereby revoke all of my prior designations of Trustees of the Trust that were created, filed, recorded and/or executed prior to this date in whatever form they may exist (e.g. written, oral, by affidavit, by declaration or otherwise).
- 4. In accordance with Section 9.3 of the Trust, I now hereby designate the following individual(s) to serve as current Trustee and/or Successor Trustee of the Trust in the following order:
  - MONTE BRIAN REASON; otherwise.
  - WELLS FARGO BANK.
- 5. MONTE BRIAN REASON, as designated Trustee shall be empowered to act pursuant to the Trust provisions and, if appropriate, filing with the Recorder of each county in which Trust real property is located a Certificate of Incumbency or similar instrument thereto. The Certificate of Incumbency shall contain a statement setting forth

the circumstances and Trust provisions that entitle the Trustee to act and a declaration that the successor trustee agrees to be bound by the terms of the Trust and agrees to perform the duties of the trustee as required therein and by law.

- In the event that MONTE BRIAN REASON is unable or unwilling to serve as the designated Trustee, then WELLS FARGO BANK, as designated Successor Trustee shall be empowered to act pursuant to the Trust provisions and, if appropriate, filing with the Recorder of each county in which Trust real property is located a Certificate of Incumbency or similar instrument thereto. The Certificate of Incumbency shall contain a statement setting forth the circumstances and Trust provisions that entitle the Trustee to act and a declaration that the successor trustee agrees to be bound by the terms of the Trust and agrees to perform the duties of the trustee as required therein and by law.
- The "Certificate of Incumbency" may be titled something else (such as 7. "Affidavit of Successor Trustee" or "Certificate of Acceptance of Trusteeship") and may be in such form as is appropriate under the circumstances and in the jurisdiction or jurisdictions in which it may be used. It shall reference this Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee.
- Pursuant to NRS 53.045, I declare under penalty of perjury under the law of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016

STATE OF NEVADA SS. COUNTY OF CLARK

NOTARY PUBLIC

Executed this 61217 day of June, 2017.

This instrument was subscribed to, swom to, and acknowledged before me on the 24k of June, 2017 by Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated Octob

> NOTARY PUBLIC **NEVALIEBE** STATE OF NEVADA - COUNTY OF CLAR No: 05-94934-1

# **EXHIBIT B**

#### Tiffany Barney

From: Tiffany Barney <tiffany@anthonybarney.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 9:42 AM

To: 'Cary Colt Payne, Esq.'
Cc: Anthony Barney; Secretary
Subject: Christian Family Trust

#### Dear Mr. Payne -

As a follow up to my letter dated June 13, 2017, I wanted to alert you that Monte Reason has hired the Rushforth Firm to represent him as successor trustee of the Christian Family Trust. I was recently contacted by Joey Powell who indicated that they will be providing me with a Certificate of Incumbency shortly.

Again, please have your client's safeguard the trust funds and assets until such event occurs. I will provide you with the Certificate of Incumbency as soon as it is received.

Sincerely,
Tiffany S. Barney
Attorney at Law
Anthony L. Barney, Ltd.
3317 W. Charleston Blvd., Suite B
Las Vegas, NV 89102-1835
O: 702-438-7878

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# **EXHIBIT C**



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Daniel P. Klefer, J.D. Partner Licensed in Nevada dan@rushforth.net

Joseph J. Powell, J.D. Of Counsel Licensed in Nevada & California locy@rushforth.net

June 27, 2017

Sent via U.S. mail and via e-mail to carycoltpaynechtd@yahoo.com

Cary Colt Payne, Esq. CARY COLT PAYNE, CHTD. 700 S 8th St. Las Vegas, NV 89101

Re:

Christian Family Trust/certificate of incumbency

(Our File: 7745)

Dear Cary:

Please find attached a copy of the executed "Certificate of Incumbency" that has been executed by the new trustee of the "Christian Family Trust" (executed on October 11, 2016)(the "Trust"), Monte Reason, whom I represent. Please be advised that our office is in the process of recording the Certificate of Incumbency.

I am of the understanding that Mrs. Nancy Christian's attorney, Tiffany Barney, Esq., has previously provided you with a copy of the trust amendment/modification that Mrs. Christian has recently signed, which replaced the initial trustees of the Trust, Rosemary K. Christian-Keach, Raymond T. Christian, Jr., and Susan G. Christian-Payne, whom I understand you represent, with my client, Mr. Reason. In any event, I am enclosing a copy of that modification, "Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee," dated June 12, 2017.

Attorney Barney has forwarded me documentation regarding the assets of the Trust that she informed me were provided to her by your office. In reviewing the documentation, it appears to me that the Trust currently has three assets, categorized as residential real property located at 2848 Bluffpoint Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada and two bank accounts at Chase, one with an account number ending in 6040 and the other account number ending in 4816. It is also my understanding that prior to the purchase of the Bluffpoint Drive Residence that the Trust owned the residential real property located at 1060 Dancing Vines Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada ("Dancing Vines"). It is my understanding the proceeds from the Dancing Vines Property were used, at least in part, to purchase the Bluffpoint Drive Residence. Please let me know if any of these understandings is incorrect. Further, please let me know if there happen to be any other assets belonging to the Trust that I am not aware of other than these three stated assets.



Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH J. POWELL Attorney at Law

cc: client

Nancy Christian c/o Tiffany Barney, Esq.

RECORDING REQUESTED BY and when recorded, mail to: The Rushforth Firm, Ltd. P. O. Box 371655 Las Vegas, NV 89137-1655

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#### CERTIFICATE OF INCUMBENCY

# AFFIDAVIT OF INCUMBENT TRUSTEE OF THE CHRISTIAN FAMILLY TRUST

MONTE REASON, under penalties of perjury, does hereby certify and says that:

- On October 11, 2016, NANCY CHRISTIAN, also known as NANCY I. CHRISTIAN, established, along with her late husband, RAYMOND T. CHRISTIAN, also known as RAYMOND T. CHRISTIAN, SR., a revocable Trust entitled the "CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST" (the "Trust").
- Under the terms of said Trust, ROSEMARY K. CHRISTIAN-KEACH, RAYMOND
  T. CHRISTIAN, JR., and SUSAN G. CHRISTIAN-PAYNE, were designated as coTrustees. However, the surviving Trustor, NANCY CHRISTIAN retains the power
  to remove any or all trustees and appoint a replacement trustee, which she has done.
- Section 9.3 of the Trust, titled "Power to Change Trustee" provides for the following:
  - During the joint lifetime of the Trustors, Trustors may change the Trustee or Successor Trustee of this Trust by an instrument in writing, signed by both Trustors, and delivered to the Trustee. In the event that either Trustor should become incapacitated, the other Trustor shall retain the power to change the Trustee of Successor Trustee of this Trust by an instrument in writing, signed by such Trustor and delivered to the Trustee. After the death of the first Trustor to die, the surviving Trustor shall have the power to change the Trustee or Successor Trustee of the Trust by an instrument in writing signed by the surviving Trustor and delivered to the Trustee.
- 4. In accordance with the right afforded to her under Section 9.3 of the Trust, NANCY CHRISTIAN executed a "Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee" on June 12, 2017 in which she expressly removed the then serving co-trustees

ROSEMARY K. CHRISTIAN-KEACH, RAYMOND T. CHRISTIAN, JR., and SUSAN G. CHRISTIAN-PAYNE. In their place, NANCY CHRISTIAN designated MONTE BRIAN REASON to serve as trustee of the Trust.

- 5. Therefore, pursuant to the terms of the Trust, MONTE BRIAN REASON is the designated Trustee. By signing this certificate, MONTE BRIAN REASON agrees to serve as Trustee, accept the duties and responsibilities thereof, and agrees to be bound by the terms of the Trust.
- 6. The Trustee has, among other powers, the power to sell, exchange, lease, and otherwise engage in transactions involving Trust assets as the Trustees deem appropriate. The Trustee has the power to make all types of investments without limitation.
- 7. For purposes of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and related regulations (42 USC § 1320d and 45 CFR §§ 160-164) ("HIPAA"), the undersigned does hereby designate appoint each co-trustee (if any) and each successor Trustee designated in accordance with the terms hereof (even prior to serving in that office) as his or her "personal representative", with full authority to receive private, privileged, protected, or personal health information related to the Trustee or co-trustee's health and/or incapacity and to divulge such information as necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Trust. The undersigned acknowledges that any Trustee or co-Trustee who fails to authorize the release of private, privileged, protected, or personal health information related to the Trustee or co-trustee's health and/or incapacity upon the request of a co-trustee or of a successor Trustee or co-trustee) or who fails to divulge such information as necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Trust shall cease to be the Trustee or a co-trustee.
- The trust instrument provides that no person dealing with the Trust is obligated to
  inquire as to the powers of the Trustees or to inquire as to how the Trustees apply any
  funds delivered to the Trustees.

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#### RECORDING REQUESTED BY:

Anthony L. Barney, Ltd. 3317 W. Charleston Blvd, Suite B Las Vegas, NV 89102

Mail recorded declaration to: Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 304 Orland St., #39 Las Vegas, NV 89107

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# MODIFICATION AND DESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE AND SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

#### LET IT BE KNOWN THAT:

- I, Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 (hereinafter "Trustor"), do hereby certify, designate, and declare as follows:
- I am the Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 ("Trust") as stated in Declaration of the Trust Agreement.
- Pursuant to Section 9.3 of the Trust, the Trustor has the power to change the Trustee or Successor Trustee of the Trust by an instrument in writing signed by the surviving Trustor and delivered to the Trustee.
- I hereby revoke all of my prior designations of Trustees of the Trust that were created, filed, recorded and/or executed prior to this date in whatever form they may exist (e.g. written, oral, by affidavit, by declaration or otherwise).
- 4. In accordance with Section 9.3 of the Trust, I now hereby designate the following individual(s) to serve as current Trustee and/or Successor Trustee of the Trust in the following order:
  - MONTE BRIAN REASON; otherwise,
  - WELLS FARGO BANK.
- 5. MONTE BRIAN REASON, as designated Trustee shall be empowered to act pursuant to the Trust provisions and, if appropriate, filing with the Recorder of each county in which Trust real property is located a Certificate of Incumbency or similar instrument thereto. The Certificate of Incumbency shall contain a statement setting forth

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- 6. In the event that MONTE BRIAN REASON is unable or unwilling to serve as the designated Trustee, then WELLS FARGO BANK, as designated Successor Trustee shall be empowered to act pursuant to the Trust provisions and, if appropriate, filing with the Recorder of each county in which Trust real property is located a Certificate of Incumbency or similar instrument thereto. The Certificate of Incumbency shall contain a statement setting forth the circumstances and Trust provisions that entitle the Trustee to act and a declaration that the successor trustee agrees to be bound by the terms of the Trust and agrees to perform the duties of the trustee as required therein and by law.
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- Pursuant to NRS 53.045, I declare under penalty of perjury under the law of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 6-12-17 day of June, 2017.

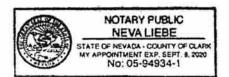
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This instrument was subscribed to, sworn to, and acknowledged before me on the 12th of June, 2017 by Nancy Christian, Trustor of the Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016.



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# **EXHIBIT D**

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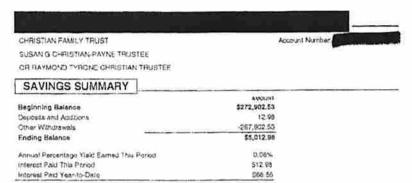
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# **EXHIBIT E**

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September 21, 2017

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Cary Colt Payne, Esq. CARY COLT PAYNE, CHTD. 700 S. Eighth Street Las Vegas, NV 89101

> Re: Christian Family Trust dated October 11, 2016 ("Trust") Our Client: Nancy Christian, Trustor and Survivor of the Trust Subject Property: 2848 Bluff Point Dr. Las Vegas, NV 89134

VIA HAND DELIVERY AND EMAIL

Dear Mr. Payne,

I am in receipt of your letter dated September 8, 2017. First, please advised that we are moving forward to take possession of the Subject Property and will do so against Raymond Christian Jr. If any landlord/tenant lease agreement exists, he will need to produce it immediately, otherwise, he can raise his claim in the unlawful detainer action that will be filed against him after the five day is served upon him next week. Again, please be on notice that your client, Raymond Christian J., does not have authorization to reside in or stay in the Subject Property. Please let us know if he will peaceably leave the premises; otherwise we will continue to move forward with the eviction process.

Second, the Trust is valid until it is proven otherwise. Your clients have not attempted to invalidate the provision that allows my client to change the trustees of her trust. Therefore, unless and until a court invalidates that provision of the trust allowing my client to replace your clients as trustees, the Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee ("Modification and Designation") is a valid instrument that must be followed. Your clients are no longer the Trustees and should <a href="mailto:limmediately">limmediately</a> refrain from acting as such.

Based on the clear, unambiguous language of the Trust, our client had the power to change her trustee and did so. On June 13, 2017, I notified you by written letter that your clients were no longer trustees of the Christian Family Trust and provided you with

Letter to Cary Colt Payne September 21, 2017 Page 2 of 2

the Modification and Designation. After that date, any of your clients actions as purported trustees were without authority and therefore void.

Additionally, on June 21, 2017, I provided you an email stating that Joseph Powell, Esq. who was representing the new trustec, Monte Reason, would be sending you the Certificate of Incumbency allowing him to act. On June 27, 2017, Joseph Powell, Esq., sent you a letter with the Certificate of Incumbency attached. Your clients were well aware that they no longer had authority to act.

On June 30, 2017, your clients then proceeded to remove almost the entire balance (\$267,902.53) of the Trust funds from the Trust account. See June 2017 Statement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Attachment 1. In doing so, your clients have converted Trust funds away from its sole beneficiary and disallowed her from obtaining the needed trust funds she requires for living expenses, which the Trust allows to be distributed. We are demanding that your clients turn over the \$267,902.53 that was converted from the Trust immediately; otherwise, we will file a request to have the court find that the funds were converted and request triple damages if your clients do not return said funds.

If your clients continue to act under color of any trusteeship, we will also bring additional claims against them for acting without such authority. We also reserve all rights to bring any and all claims that have and will become known to us through a thorough review of the Chase records and other documents that evidence that your clients were using Trust funds as their own as well as converting additional Trust funds.

Please be advised that we requested an accounting from the prior trustees in writing on August 22, 2017. Therefore, the sixty day deadline to respond is October 21, 2017. We will expect to see any and all Trust assets on this accounting, including any and all life insurance policies for the late Raymond Christian.

Please also let us know the relationship, if any, that you have with Susan Christian-Payne.

I would appreciate a prompt response to my requests. If you have any further questions, please feel to contact my office. Zach or I will be available to assist you in this matter. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

THE ANY & BARNEY Attorney at Law

tiffany@anthonybamey.com

Attachment: June 2017 Statement Cc: Joseph Powell, Esq., joey@rlklegal.com

# Attachment 1

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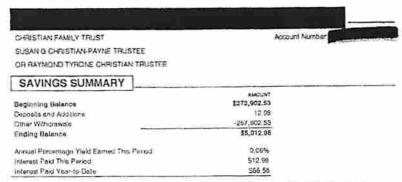
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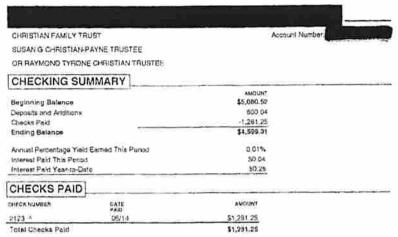
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#### **DISTRICT COURT**

#### CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of

THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST u.a.d. 10/11/16

Case No. P-17-092512-T Department PC1 (Probate) Clark District Family Domestic

RESPONSE TO PETITION TO ASSUME JURISDICTION OF TRUST; CONFIRM TRUSTEES; INSTRUCTIONS, ETC. AND JOINDER IN MOTION TO DISMISS PURSUANT TO NRCP 12(B)(1) AND NRCP 12(B)(5)

Date of Hearing: October 19, 2017 Time of Hearing: 2:00 P.M.

Monte B. Reason ("Monte"), by an through his counsel of record, Joseph J. Powell, Esq. of Rushforth Lee & Kiefer LLP, hereby Responds to the "Petition to Assume Jurisdiction of Trust; Confirm Trustees; Instructions, Etc." that was filed by Susan Christian-Payne, Rosemary Keach, and Raymond Christian, by and through their counsel of record, Cary Colt Payne, Esq., of Cary Colt Payne, Chtd., on July 31, 2017 ("Petition"). Further, Monte hereby joins in the "Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(1) and NRCP 12(b)(5)", together with the "Reply to Petitioner's Opposition to Motion to Dismiss", filed by his mother, Nancy B. Christian, by and through her counsel of record, Anthony L. Barney, Esq., of Anthony L. Barney, Ltd., on August 17, 2017, and October 4, 2017, respectively (collectively referred to herein as "Motion to Dismiss").

Monte hereby Responds and Joins as follows:

#### I. RESPONSE TO PETITION

It is clear that the former trustees of The Christian Family Trust, dated October 11, 2016, Susan Christian-Payne, Rosemary Keach, and Raymond Christian, which shall be collectively referred to herein as the "Former Trustees", feel the need to insult, disparage, and defame Monte because they do not like the fact that their mother removed them as trustees of a trust that she co-created with her late husband.

Instead of merely making their arguments relating to Nancy Christian's abilities to make changes to the Trust, including her removal rights, the Former Trustees have decided to personally attack Monte. Interestingly, they feel the need to claim that Mrs. Christian is not making her own decisions involving her own trust, despite the fact that she not only has her own estate planning attorney, but the amendment/modification that she made was also verified and validated by an independent attorney as well, Sean Tanko, Esq., who has an impeccable reputation as an estate planning attorney in the Las Vegas Valley. Therefore, instead of focusing on the authority provided in the Trust that clearly affords Mrs. Christian to have taken the action that she has, the Former Trustees feel the need to recklessly and maliciously assassinate Monte's character. Such actions are reprehensible and despicable.

It goes without saying that Monte denies each and every allegation, and attack, that the Former Trustees have launched at him. With this said, Monte feels the need to respond to a few of the ludicrous statements that have been made by the Former Trustees, which Monte believes have been made in a desperate attempt by the Former Trustees to either cover up actions that they don't wish to see the light of day, and/or are intended to get them closer to their self serving objectives of blocking Mrs. Christian from receiving any benefit from a trust that was co-created with her husband, and which contains her own assets. With this stated, for the sake of organization, Monte will address some of the attacks in the same order that they were presented in the Petition.

#### <u>The Former Trustees allege exploitation and/or undue influence exerted by</u> Monte on his Mother

As previously stated, Nancy Christian has had attorneys of her own throughout her estate planning process. The Trust was prepared by David Grant, Esq who represented both Mr. Christian and Mrs. Christian. If Mr. Grant had felt that Mrs. Christian was not acting of her free will and volition, or did not possess testamentary capacity to create estate planning documents, then it is an exceedingly safe assumption that Mr. Grant would have declined to represent Mrs. Christian.

Further, as it relates to the "Modification and Designation of Trustee and Successor Trustee" ("Modification") executed by Mrs. Christian, that document was discussed with and prepared by Tiffany Barney, Esq. Again, just as Attorney Grant had to assess and analyze, if Attorney Barney felt as though Mrs. Christian was not acting of her own free will or if she did not possess testamentary capacity, Attorney Barney assuredly would have declined to prepare the Modification. On top of this, Sean Tanko, Esq. provided an independent review of the Modification and within his "Certificate of Independent Review" Mr. Tanko concluded that the decisions of Mrs. Christian found under the Modification were "not the product of fraud, duress or undue influence". Therefore, this baseless accusation of the Former Trustees lacks any supporting evidence.

It is clear that the Former Trustees simply do not like that Mrs. Christian exercised a right expressly afforded to her under her own trust, and want to lash out at someone. Apparently, they felt like Monte was an easy target to defame.

Coincidentally, the Former Trustees claim that there is "family history" to support their assertion, yet this supposed "family history" that would show that Monte has exploited or unduly influenced his mother during this Modification execution time period are never explained. Further, they simply fail to address the fact that three completely unrelated and independent attorneys concluded that Mrs. Christian was capable of making her own decisions as it related to her trust.

As a side note and matter of housekeeping, it should be recognized that despite the Former Trustees understanding and knowledge that Attorney Grant, Attorney Barney, and Attorney Tanko all served as Mrs. Christian's attorneys in regard to her estate planning, they sent their Petition to undersigned counsel, despite the fact that at no time has undersigned counsel, nor the law firm of Rushforth Lee & Kiefer LLP ever represented Mrs. Christian, let alone insinuated such. On the contrary, Mr. Powell has made it clear to their counsel, Mr. Payne, that he represented Monte, and only Monte. *Nancy's decision to live with Monte* 

Apparently, according to the Former Trustees' warped sense of reality, Mrs. Christian's choice to live with her youngest son is something that should be held against Monte. The fact that Mrs. Christian decided that she did not want to reside in an assisted living facility, and would prefer to live with her son is not abnormal in the slightest, yet the Former Trustees want to insinuate that somehow Mrs. Christian is being held captive by her son. The Former Trustees' claims are absolutely ludicrous. Apparently, despite the fact the Former Trustees' do not wish to live with their mother, their mother can't decide on who she does or does not want to live with.

#### Former Trustees allege that Monte is not "qualified" to serve as the Trustee of the Trust

The Former Trustees seemingly want this Court to believe that a standard exists for a trustee to "qualify" to serve, as though they must possess certain credentials, yet they fail to cite a single Nevada statute or authority which imposes such. By the extension of their erroneously created logic, Nevada would then supposedly prevent a a settlor from choosing whomever they wanted to serve as a current or successor trustee. The reality of the situation is that Nevada does not interject itself into the decision making of a settlor and a settlor may choose whomever they want to serve as a trustee.

The best guess that Monte can come up with is that the Former Trustee's want to analogize the office of trustee to somehow being the same as a personal

representative. Again, they do not expressly state this, so this is only an assumption. If this assumption is correct and the Former Trustees are indeed making this claim, the Former Trustees are exceedingly mistaken in such a belief.

The fact of the matter is that any person is free to choose any other person, or entity, that they wish to serve as their trustee. At the end of the day, a trust is a legal entity, and vehicle, that holds the assets of the creating party and they are free to choose anyone that they wish to be the manager of such entity, which is no different then the choice of a appointing a general manager for an LLC.

Although the Former Trustees fail to provide any explanation of what they mean by "qualifying", it is clear, based on the Declaration of Susan Christian-Payne, that they are referring to Monte's past mistakes and missteps. What they fail to understand or take into consideration, however, is that Mrs. Christian, Monte's mother, is well aware of his past. In fact, in her Motion to Dismiss, the following is stated:

Nancy made her decision for Monte to serve as trustee with full knowledge of Monte Reason's past legal issues.

As stated, Nancy knew exactly the mistakes that Monte has made in the past, and with this knowledge still, obviously, believes that Monte, a son that she can trust, was the best choice to serve as trustee of the Trust. Mrs. Christian has made *her* decision and the fact that the Former Trustees do not like it is irrelevant. It is not, and has never been, their choice to make.

In Mrs. Christian-Payne's Declaration she references her father's decision for the Former Trustees to serve as the trustees¹. Apparently, Mrs. Christian-Payne and the other Former Trustees are failing to take a couple of things into consideration. First, the Trust was co-created, by *both* Mr. and Mrs. Christian, not simply Mr. Christian. Second, if Mr. and Mrs. Christian had mutually agreed that the surviving spouse had no right to change the Trustees, then the Trust would have expressly stated so. It does not and

<sup>&</sup>quot;When my parents initially created The Christian Family Trut, my father specifically wanted myself and my siblings to be the original co-trustees, . . . . ."

instead expressly states the converse of such prohibition, thus affording the survivor, here Mrs. Christian, to do exactly that which was done. Third, if Mr. and Mrs. Christian had wanted to, they could have come to an agreement which prohibited Monte from ever serving as a trustee. Once again, they did not. Therefore, for Mrs. Christian-Payne to assert about what her father wanted, even if taken at face value despite no documentary evidence to support this assertion, which Monte does not, he could have insisted on provisions being added to express such desire. He did not as the Trust is devoid of any discussion whatsoever about Monte being prohibited from serving as the trustee.

#### II. JOINDER TO MOTION TO DISMISS

Monte hereby joins his mother's Motion to Dismiss in its entirety. As discussed in his Response to the Former Trustees' Petition, the bottom line is that the Former Trustees' have no right to challenge Mrs. Christian's decision to appoint Monte as the Trustee. It is not their decision to make. They may not like it, but, like with many things in life that they do not agree with, their dislike of the situation is irrelevant, especially in a legal context.

As the Motion to Dismiss has done a wonderful job of explaining to this Court, the Former Trustees have no standing as to this matter. At this point in time, they are merely contingent beneficiaries of the Trust and contingent beneficiaries do not have the authority under Nevada law to interfere with the decisions of a living settlor that they do not like or agree with.

As stated in Monte's Response, the Former Trustees' aggressive reaction to their mother's removal of them is highly suspicious and seems to indicate that their interference with their mother's decision is motivated solely by self interest, which Monte believes will eventually come to light in this matter.

In summary, Monte fully supports, and joins in the Motion to Dismiss that has been filed by his mother.

#### III. INTERFERENCE WITH BANK ACCOUNTS

It is important for this Court to understand what occurred after Monte was appointed as trustee by his mother.

After being appointed as trustee by his mother, Monte personally delivered the relevant trust documentation to Chase Bank which clearly established that he was the presently acting trustee of the Trust. Specifically, Monte presented a full copy of the Trust, a copy of the Modification, and a copy of the Certificate of Incumbency. At such initial visit, the Chase Bank representative indicated that a photocopy of the Trust was not acceptable and that Monte needed to obtain the "wet ink" signed version of the Trust and return to the Bank with such in hand. Traditionally speaking, this is entirely unheard of that a bank, or any financial institution, would require an original trust instrument to be produced, instead of producing a photocopy.

Despite this highly unusual request, rather than voicing an objection to this Bank's unjustified requirement of him, Monte simply went on his way and sought to retrieve the original signed trust instrument from David Grant's office. Attorney Grant's office provided him with such and he returned to the same Chase Bank branch location.

What followed was truly bizarre and highly suspect behavior on the part of Chase Bank. When Monte returned and presented the Bank with an original, wet ink version of the trust instrument, he was told that he would not be given access to the accounts titled in the Trust's name because there was a prior "2006" version of the Trust that owned the accounts. When Monte asked for evidence of this, specifically requesting to be provided with a copy of this supposed 2006 trust bearing the same name reflected on the accounts, or, in turn, any related documents to establish its existence, he was provided with no further explanation and was effectively told to leave and not return.

On information and belief, through documentation obtained by Mrs. Christian's attorneys via production from Chase Bank in response to a subpoena for records, Chase Bank has no evidence on file regarding any 2006 trust which is the holder/owner of the

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two accounts. As such, it appears that Chase Bank received instruction, and or threats from the Former Trustees, to not allow Monte access, as trustee, to the accounts. Again, it is exceedingly odd that Chase Bank denied Monte access to the accounts based on what appears to be a completely fabricated set of facts. One would be hard pressed to think that the Bank, which is essentially guilty of conversion like behavior in not providing access to a trustee over accounts belonging to a trust, was the true source of this perplexing behavior. Nevertheless, Monte will eventually get to the bottom of this behavior at some point and hereby reserves all rights, and remedies, that may be pursued once his investigation is complete against the Former Trustees and Chase Bank.

Notwithstanding this issue, Monte requests that this Court order that Chase Bank provide him with complete unobstructed access to the accounts, numbers ending in 6040 and 4816, which clearly belong to the Trust.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, in addition to the arguments expressed and contained within the Motion to Dismiss, Monte respectfully requests that this Court dismiss, with prejudice, the Former Trustees' Petition in its entirety.

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Respectfully submitted by:

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#### VERIFICATION OF RESPONSE TO PETITION TO ASSUME JURISDICTION OF TRUST; CONFIRM TRUSTEES; INSTRUCTIONS, ETC. AND JOINDER IN MOTION TO DISMISS PURSUANT TO NRCP 12(B)(1) AND NRCP 12(B)(5)

Under penalties of perjury, I, the undersigned, hereby declare that:

- 1. I am submitting a "Response to Petition to Assume Jurisdiction of Trust; Confirm Trustees; Instructions, Etc. and Joinder in Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRCP 12(B)(1) and NRCP 12(B)(5)." ("Response and Joinder")
  - 2. I have never been convicted of a felony.
- 3. I know the contents of the Response and Joinder, which I know to be true of my own knowledge, except for those matters stated on information and belief, which I believe to be true.

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> **DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

In the Matter of Case No.: P-17-092512-T Dept. No.: PC-1 THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST u.a.d. 10/11/16

#### **ACCOUNTING**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on October . 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served to the following at the their last known address(es), facsimile numbers and/or e-mail/other electronic means, pursuant to:

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## ACCOUNTING For the Period from October 27, 2016 to September 30, 2017

#### INCOME/CREDITS:

Receipts - Rent California rental

Oct 2016- July 2017- \$800/month (9 months) \$7,200.00 Aug-Oct - \$750/month \$2,250.00

Gain or (loss) on Sales \$-0-

Misc Income: Interest/rebates \$39.87

Total Income/Credits: \$9,489.87

#### **EXPENDITURES/DEBITS:**

Disbursements/Expenses \$ see attached

Expenses of Sales \$-0-

Loss on Sales \$-0-

Date	Amount Transaction Type	Category	Account Name
10/10/2017; Wf Home Mtg (Yermo-CA)	312.52 debit	Mortgage & Rent	CPC CHECKING
9/29/2017 interest	0.03 credit	Interest Income	CPC CHECKING
9/6/2017; Wf Home Mtg (Yermo-CA)	312.52 debit	Mortgage & Rent	CPC CHECKING
8/31/2017 interest	0.04 credit	Interest Income	CPC CHECKING
8/31/2017 Interest	0.14 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
8/14/2017 Wf Home Mtg (Yermo-CA)	312.52 debit	Mortgage & Rent	CPC CHECKING
8/11/2017 Water Bill On-Line Payment Fee (Yermo-CA)	2.5 debit	Service Fee	CPC CHECKING
8/11/2017 Av Ranchos Waterbilpm- (Yermo Water Bill)	52.42 debit	Bills & Utilities	CPC CHECKING
7/31/2017 interest	0.04 credit	Interest Income	CPC CHECKING
7/31/2017 interest	0.13 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
7/10/2017 Water Bill On-Line Payment Fee (Yermo-CA)	2.5 debit	Service Fee	CPC CHECKING
7/10/2017 Av Ranchos Waterbilpm- (Yermo Water Bill)	46.6 debit	Bills & Utilities	CPC CHECKING
7/5/2017 Wf Home Mtg (Yermo-CA)	312.52 debit	Mortgage & Rent	CPC CHECKING
6/30/2017 Interest	0.04 credit	Interest Income	CPC CHECKING
6/16/2017 Wf Home Mtg (Yermo-CA)	800 credit	Income	CPC CHECKING
6/14/2017 Check 2123 Attorney Fee	1281.25 debit	Check	CPC CHECKING
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5/22/2017 Av Ranchos Waterbilpm- (Yermo Water Bill)	79.85 debit	Bills & Utilities	CPC CHECKING
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5/8/2017 Remote Online Deposit Yermo Rent (145.97 repairs)	654.03 credit	Income	CPC CHECKING
5/2/2017 Check 2122- Property Taxes (Bluff Point)	\$ 483.93 debit	Property Taxes	CPC CHECKING
S/1/2017 Discover Card Rebate	\$ 25.04 credit	Reimbursement	CPC CHECKING
4/28/2017 Interest	\$ 0.03 credit	Interest Income	CPC CHECKING
	\$ 1,000.00 debit	<b>Business Services</b>	CPC CHECKING
4/24/2017 Transfer from CPC SAVINGS	\$ 2,000.00 credit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
4/17/2017 Check 2120 - Bluff Point Warranty Repair	\$ 16.25 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
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3/31/2017 Interest	\$ 0.05 credit	Interest Income	CPC CHECKING

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3/23/2017 Check 2119-Vogl Const (Dancing Vines Repair)	\$ 1,300.00 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
3/21/2017 Check 2118 - (Dad's Memorial Trip)	\$ 2,488.01 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
3/20/2017 Transfer from CPC SAVINGS	\$ 2,500.00 credit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
3/14/2017 Rebate	\$ 5.02 credit	Income	CPC CHECKING
3/13/2017 Escrow Refund -(Yermo, CA)	\$ 9.73 credit	Income	CPC CHECKING
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3/6/2017 Deposit - (Yermo, CA)	\$ 800.00 credit	Rental Income	CPC CHECKING
3/2/2017 Av Ranchos Waterbilpm- (Yermo, CA)	\$ 41.27 debit	Bills & Utilities	CPC CHECKING
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2/27/2017 Dad's Memorial Trip	\$ 27.53 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
2/27/2017 Check 2114- Dad's Sam's Club Account Payoff	\$ 356.26 debit	Credit Card Bill	CPC CHECKING
2/27/2017 Memorial Dinner	\$ 200.00 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
2/24/2017 Gas	\$ 23.24 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
2/23/2017 Preferred Homecare Az- Medical Equip Lease	\$ 30.26 debit	Health Insurance	CPC CHECKING
2/13/2017 Lowe's-Return	\$ 35.61 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
2/13/2017 Costco	\$ 973.34 debit	Furnishings	CPC CHECKING
2/13/2017 Transfer from CPC SAVINGS	\$ 5,000.00 credit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
2/13/2017 Living Spaces - Furniture	\$ 643.49 debit	Furnishings	CPC CHECKING
2/13/2017 Rosemary Keach Reimbursement	\$ 2,000.00 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
2/10/2017 Southern Nv Health -Certificates	\$ 115.00 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
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1/6/2017 Home Depot	\$ 81.64 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
1/6/2017 Amazon (Medical Supplies)	\$ 7.05 debit	Personal	CPC CHECKING
1/5/2017 Amazon (Medical Supplies)	\$ 52.00 debit	Personal	CPC CHECKING
1/5/2017 Amazon (Medical Supplies)	\$ 37.99 debit	Personal	CPC CHECKING
1/3/2017 Home Depot	\$ 44.92 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
12/30/2016 Check 2112- Wells Fargo (Deposit Dad's Acct)	\$ 5,000.00 debit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
12/30/2016 Transfer from CPC SAVINGS	\$ 5,000.00 debit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
12/28/2016 Sams Club	\$ 119.83 debit	Groceries	CPC CHECKING
12/28/2016 DMV- Mom's DL address change	\$ 10.25 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
12/28/2016 DMV- Dad's DL address change	\$ 18.25 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
12/28/2016 Check 2111 - Dancing Vines Water	\$ 20.46 debit	Bills & Utilities	CPC CHECKING
	\$ 638.97 debit	Credit Card Bill	CPC CHECKING
: 2	\$ 1,900.00 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC CHECKING
12/22/2016 Republic Services Dumpster	\$ 685.00 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
12/22/2016 Costco	\$ 219.51 debit	Groceries	CPC CHECKING
12/20/2016 Sams Club	\$ 9.50 debit	Groceries	CPC CHECKING
12/12/2016 Sams Club Credit Card (Dad's CC)	\$ 761.74 debit	Credit Card Bill	CPC CHECKING
12/10/2016 Check 2108- Medical Assistant	\$75 debit	Personal Care	CPC CHECKING
12/8/2016 Check 2106-Ray C Reimbursement (Bluff Point Repairs)	\$ 1,757.00 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING
12/3/2016 Check 2107- Medical Assistant	\$ 75.00 debit	Personal Care	CPC CHECKING
11/28/2016 Transfer from CPC SAVINGS	\$ 5,000.00 debit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
11/28/2016 Check 2105-Wells Fargo (Deposit Dad's Acct)	\$ 2,500.00 debit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING
11/28/2016 Check 2104-VOID	- 5		
11/22/2016 Check 2103- Home Insurance (Bluff Point)	\$ 718.00 debit	Home Insurance	CPC CHECKING
11/20/2016 Check 2102- Garage Door Repair (Dancing Vines)	\$ 450.00 debit	Home Improvement	CPC CHECKING

11/19/2016 Sams Club	\$ 169.	169.36 debit	Groceries	CPC CHECKING
11/19/2016 Transfer from CPC SAVINGS	\$ 5,000.00 d		Transfer	CPC CHECKING
11/16/2016 Check 9991 - Home Inspection (Bluff Point)	\$ 245.	debit	Home Services	CPC CHECKING
11/16/2016 Wire Transfer -(Bluff Point Earnest Deposit)	\$ 3,000.00	<b>L</b>	Home Services	CPC CHECKING
10/27/2016 Check 9990- Wells Fargo (Deposit Dad's Acct)	\$ 2,000.	2,000.00 debit	Transfer	CPC CHECKING

Date Description	Amount Transaction Type	Category	Account Name
10/5/2017 Deposit - (Yermo, CA)	750 credit	Income	CPC SAVINGS
9/29/2017 Interest	0.2 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
9/7/2017 Deposit - (Yermo, CA)	750 credit	Income	CPC SAVINGS
8/31/2017 Interest	0.14 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
8/14/2017 Deposit - (Yermo, CA)	750 credit	Rental Income	CPC SAVINGS
7/31/2017 Interest	0.13 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
6/30/2017 Withdrawal	267902.53 debit	Misc Expenses	CPC SAVINGS
6/30/2017 Interest	12.98 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
5/31/2017 Interest	14.77 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
4/28/2017 Interest	12.61 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
4/24/2017 Transfer to CPC CHECKING	2000 debit	Transfer	CPC SAVINGS
3/31/2017 Interest	14.05 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
3/20/2017 Transfer to CPC CHECKING	2500 debit	Transfer	CPC SAVINGS
2/28/2017 Interest	8.33 credit	Interest Income	CPC SAVINGS
2/14/2017 Dancing Vines Sale	194590.71 credit	Income	CPC SAVINGS
2/13/2017 Transfer to CPC CHECKING	5000 debit	Transfer	CPC SAVINGS

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### **DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

In the Matter of Case No.: P-17-092512-T Dept. No.: PC-1 THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST u.a.d. 10/11/16

#### **INVENTORY RECORD OF VALUE**

STATE OF NEVADA: COUNTY OF CLARK } ss.

SUSAN CHRISTIAN PAYNE, pursuant to the laws of the State of Nevada (NRS 53.045), and under penalty of perjury, hereby declares that the following is a true statement of all of the estate of the above-named Trust. I hereby certify that the property described herein is property where there is no reasonable doubt as to value and is believed to be equal in value to money in the amount set opposite each respective item, and that the value of the whole of the inventoried estate as of the date of decedent's death (1/31/17) was as stated herein.

Dated the OO day of October, 2017



### REAL PROPERTY

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2848 Bluff Point Drive, Las Vegas, NV \$292,960.00<sup>1</sup> 37920 Grandview Ave., Yermo, CA (rental) \$64,088.00

\$357,048.00

### **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Proceeds of Sale <sup>2</sup>
1060- Dancing Vines, Las Vegas, NV \$194,704.59
Oxford Policy proceeds \$54,206.61
Oxford Policy proceeds \$106,719.79
Chase accounts proceeds \$73,197.94

\$428,828.93<sup>3</sup>

Chase Savings (6040) \$ 6,513.45 Chase Checking (4816) \$ 4,357.84

(as of 9/30/17) \$10,871.29

TOTAL VALUE OF TRUST PROPERTY:

\$796,748.22

<sup>1</sup> Value based upon Zillow printout (10/16/17)

Held for distribution, subject to claims, etc.

Held by Client Trust Account



#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on October , 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served to the following at the their last known address(es), facsimile numbers and/or e-mail/other electronic means, pursuant to:



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BY MAIL: N.R.C.P 5(b), I deposited for first class United States mailing, postage prepaid at Las Vegas, Nevada;

Tommy L. Christian 245 South Lemon, Apt C Orange, CA 92566

Christopher A. Christian 560 W. 20th Street #12 San Bernardino, CA 92405



BY E-MAIL AND/OR ELECTRONIC MEANS: Pursuant to Eighth Judicial District Court Administrative Order 14-2, Effective June 1, 2014, as identified in Rule 9 of the N.E.F.C.R. as having consented to electronic service, I served via e-mail or other electronic means (Wiznet) to the e-mail address(es) of the addressee(s).

Daniel Keifer, Esq. Email: kenny@rlklegal.com Joseph Powell, Esq. email: joey@rushforth.com RUSHFORTH, LEE & KIEFER, LLP 1701 Village Center Circle, Suite 150 Las Vegas, NV 89134 Attorney for Monte Reason

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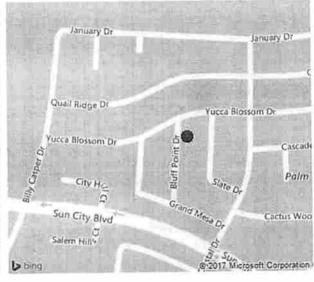
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#### 2848 Bluff Point Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89134





2848 Bluff Point Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89134

2 beds · 2 baths · 1,653 sqft

SOLD: \$265,000

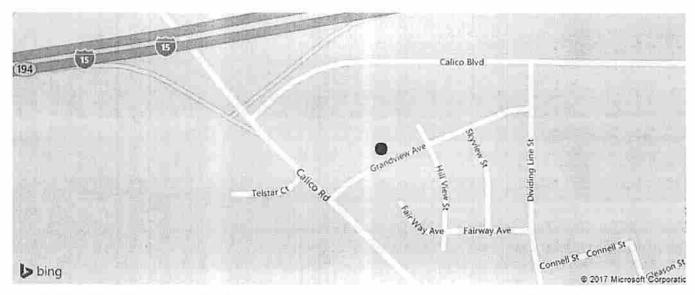
Sold on 12/09/16

Zestimate<sup>3</sup>: \$292,960

Est. Refi Payment \$1,034/mo

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#### 37920 Grandview Ave, Yermo, CA 92398



### 37920 Grandview Ave, Yermo, CA 92398

3 beds · 2 baths · 1,144 sqft

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#### OFF MARKET

Zestimate\*: \$64,088

Est. Refi Payment \$250/mo

### **Closing Disclosure**

Closing Information

Date Issued

2/8/2017

Closing Date

Disbursement Date

Settlement Agent

File#

Equity Title of Nevada 17840030-084-TGR

Property

1060 Dancing Vines Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89183

Sale Price

\$210,000.00

Transaction Information

Borrower

Seller

Deborah Coulter and Paul Hirsch

1060 Dancing Vines Avenue

Las Vegas, NV 89183

\*\*See Attachment

Summaries of Transact			Contact Information REAL ESTATE BROKER (B)				
SELLER'S TRANSACTIO							
Due to Seller at Closing \$210,511.59 21 Sale Price of Property \$210,000.00 22 Sale Price of Any Personal Property Included in Sale 32				Name Address		Black & Cherry Real Estate 2421W. Horizon Ridge PKWY Suite 110 Henderson NV 89052	
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Existing Loan(s) Assumed or Taken Subject to				Phone		(702) 945-2728	
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#### Equity Title of Nevada

2475 Village View Dr., Suite 250 Henderson, NV 89074 Phone: (702) 432-1111

File No./Escrow No.: 17840030-084-TGR Print Date & Time: 2/8/2017 - 12:47:19PM Officer/Escrow Officer: Tacl Granlund

Settlement Location: 2475 Village View Dr., Suite 250, Henderson, NV 89074

Property Address: 1060 Dancing Vines Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89183, 177-27-611-254

Seller: Lender: American Financial Network

Rosemary K. Christian-Keach, Raymond T. Christian, Jr. and Susan G. Christian-Payne, Trustees of the Christian

Settlement Date: 2/10/2017

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Trash 02/10/17 to 04/01/17		23.85
Title Insurance Premium Adjustment	303.60	
Other Loan Charges		
Notary Signing Fee	125.00	
Title Charges & Escrow/Settlement Charges		
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Reimburse Agent to Real Estate By Design	330.00	
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The Christian Family Trust, dated October 11, 2016	
Rosemary K. Christian-Keach, Trustee	•
The Christian Family Trust, dated October 11, 2018	
Raymond T. Christian, Jr., Trustee	
The Christian Family Trust, dated October 11, 2016	
Susan G. Christian-Payne, Trustee	•

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· Register: CLIENT TRUST ACCOUNT: Christian Family Trust

From 06/01/2016 through 10/05/2017 Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment C	Deposit	Balance
06/30/2017	185830	Christian Family Trust	CLIENT TRUST ACC	Deposit		106,719.79	106,719.79
06/30/2017	185831	Christian Family Trust	CLIENT TRUST ACC	Deposit		54,206.61	160,926.40
06/30/2017	9569903	Susan G. Christian-P	CLIENT TRUST ACC	Deposit		267,902.53	428,828.93

September 01, 2017 through September 29, 2017

Primary Account: 000000446556040

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SUMMARY

ASSETS	7-12/19	BEGINNING BALANCE	ENDING BALANCE
Checking & Savings	ACCOUNT	THIS PERIOD	THIS PERIOD
Chase Private Client Checking	000000446556040	\$4,670.33	\$4,357.84
Chase Private Client Savings	000003008644816	5,763.25	6,513.45
Total		\$10,433.58	\$10,871.29
TOTAL ASSETS		\$10,433.58	\$10,871.29

All Summary Balances shown are as of September 29, 2017 unless otherwise stated. For details of your retirement accounts, credit accounts or securities accounts, you will receive separate statements. Balance summary information for annuities is provided by the issuing insurance companies and believed to be reliable without guarantee of its completeness or accuracy.

## CHASE PRIVATE CLIENT CHECKING

CHRISTIAN FAMILY TRUST

SUSAN G CHRISTIAN-PAYNE TRUSTEE

OR RAYMOND TYRONE CHRISTIAN TRUSTEE

Account Number: 000000446556040

## **CHECKING SUMMARY**

	AMOUNT
Beginning Balance	\$4,670.33
Deposits and Additions	0.03
Electronic Withdrawals	-312.52
Ending Balance	\$4,357.84
Annual Percentage Yield Earned This Period	0.01%
Interest Paid This Period	\$0.03
Interest Paid Year-to-Date	\$0.37

# TRANSACTION DETAIL

DATE	DESCRIPTION				AMOUNT	BALANCE
DATE	Beginning Ba	alance				\$4,670.33
09/06	Wf Home Mtg		22758965	Web ID: W952318940	-312.52	4,357.81
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6	Susan Christian-Payne, Rosemary Case No.: P-17-092512-T Department S					
7	Petitioners, vs					
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9	Nancy I. Christian, Respondent,					
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11	NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER					
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13	entered in the foregoing action and the following is a true and correct copy					
14	thereof.					
15	Dated: This 31st day of October, 2017.					
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DISTRICT COURT
FAMILY DIVISION
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SUSAN CHRISTIAN-PAYNE,	)	
ROSEMARY KEACH, AND	ý	
RAYMOND CHRISTIAN	ý	Case No.: P-17-092512-7
PETITIONERS,	)	Dept No.: S
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<b>v.</b>	)	
	)	
NANCY I. CHRISTIAN,	)	
RESPONDENT	)	

### **DECISION**

This matter came before the Court for a Status Check on October 19, 2017. After reviewing the oral arguments and pleadings, reviewing exhibits and documents on file herein, the Court makes the following findings of fact and orders:

### I. Statement of the Case

This is a dispute regarding a family trust following the removal of Petitioners as co-trustees and Respondent Nancy Christian's appointment of Monte Reason as the successor trustee.

#### II. Issues

- 1. Standing of Petitioners
- 2. Jurisdiction of the Court over the trust

### III. Finding of Facts

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- One year ago, Raymond T. Christian (hereinafter "Raymond") and Nancy I. Christian (hereinafter "Nancy") executed The Christian Family Trust (hereinafter "the trust") on October 11, 2016.
- 2. Susan Christian-Payne, Rosemary Keach, and Raymond Christian (hereinafter "Petitioners") were the original individuals named co-trustees and accepted the Trusteeship of the Trust at the time of its initial execution in October 2016. The names of the four (4) now living children from the Grantors' marriage are Rosemary Christian-Keach, Raymond T. Christian, Jr., Tommy L. Christian, and Susan Christian-Payne.
- In January 2017, the residence at 1060 Dancing Vines was listed for sale by
  Petitioners. On or about January 18, 2017, Petitioners accepted a contract on the
  Dancing Vines property. The property was sold on February 13, 2017.
- Grantor Raymond Christian died on January 31, 2017. Grantor Nancy Christian is currently 77 years old.
- 5. About a month after Raymond died and after the property closed, Nancy Christian sought to be paid an additional \$5,000 per month from the trust.
- 6. The Trust provides at Article 4.3(a) that: "the Trustee, in Trustees' sole discretion may pay to the Survivor all of the net Income of the Trust estate, as the Trustee may determine necessary, In the Trustee's sole discretion for the health, education and maintenance of the survivor . . ."
- 7. Nancy was informed as to the trust terms and net income payments by correspondence dated June 3, 2017. Within 10 days thereafter, Nancy, executed documents to remove Petitioners as co-trustees and appoint Monte Reason.

- 8. The Grantors resided in Clark County, Nevada; the Trust is being administered in Clark County, Nevada; the Trust is believed to own property in Clark County, Nevada; and the Trust is governed by the laws of the State of Nevada.
- Petitioners claim that upon Raymond's death, the trust was to be divided into a survivor's trust and a decedent's trust.
- 10. As written, the trust provides Nancy with the authority to change the trustee or successor trustee after Raymond's death. See Trust Article 9.3.
- 11. Petitioners allege that the trust was not intended to be revocable as to the trustees and that Article 9.3 contained at least one scrivener's or other similar type of error.
- 12. Monte Reason, the successor trustee, is Nancy's child from a previous marriage.

  Monte Reason has past child support arrears and criminal issues including drug issues. His share was to be ten percent of the trust and was to be held in a trust to be distributed in the sole discretion of the trustee Susan G. Christian-Payne. See Trust Sec. 6.1 (f) and (g). Petitioners were to each receive twenty percent of the proceeds from the sale of the home outright and free of trust. See Trust Sec. 6.1 In addition, Petitioners were to receive each one third of any remaining property. See Sec. 6.2
- 13. The Trust provides in Section 6.1 "Upon the death of **both** Trustors, the Trustee shall first sell the Trustors' primary residence located at 1060 Dancing Vines, Las Vegas, Nevada, and the proceeds from the sale of such home shall be distributed..."

  Emphasis added. However, Sec 6.1 (g) provides "Moreover, in the event the home referred to in this Section 6.1 was sold prior to the Survivor's death, then an amount equal to the net proceeds from such earlier sale shall be set aside to be held and distributed pursuant to the above terms of this Section 6.1."

IV. Law and Analysis

Pursuant to the trust, the Trustees had the "sole discretion" to use the net income to support the surviving trustor. Furthermore, if in the "opinion" of the Trustees the income from the trust was not sufficient to support the survivor, the Trustees could use the trust principal to support the needs of the survivor. See Trust Article 4.3.

After payments of decedent expenses following death of one of the trustors, any remaining property in the trust was to be transferred to the Survivor Trust. See Trust Article 4.3. Nancy claims that the trust provided that if she asked for more funds and the Trustees, in their sole discretion, did not agree, she had the authority to replace the Trustees. Nancy and the original co-trustees seek to litigate whether Nancy can remove and replace Petitioners pursuant to the interpretation of the language in the Trust. Sec. 9.3. In addition, since the real property at 1060 Dancing Vines has been sold there is the question of using those proceeds for Nancy or setting the proceeds "aside to be held and distributed pursuant to the terms of" the trust.

In addition, there is the question of exploitation, fraud, duress, or undue influence by the newly appointed trustee Monte Reason over his mother, Nancy. Petitioners are the original trustees and the children of the grantors. See Trust Sec. 1.2. Moreover they were to receive sixty percent of "the net proceeds from . . .sale" of the home at 1060 Dancing Vines. See Trust Sec. 6.1 (g).

Nancy cites <u>Linthicum v. Rudi</u>, 122 Nev. 1452, 148 P.3d 746 (2006) to support her assertion that the Court lacks jurisdiction over this case. However, there are several distinctions between Linthicum and the present case. First, in Linthicum, the petitioners were only beneficiaries of the trust. Here, Petitioners were formerly trustees of the trust.

Second, the petitioners in Linthicum sought relief because they were removed as beneficiaries of the trust. Here, Petitioners were removed as trustees of the trust; their status as beneficiaries of the trust has not been modified or questioned. Furthermore, Petitioners allege that they were removed as trustees because of undue influence and duress.

Significantly, Linthicum deals exclusively with a revocable inter vivos trust with a sole grantor. Here, the Christian Family Trust was created as a revocable inter vivos trust by co-grantors. Upon the death of Raymond, the trust became irrevocable. See Trust Sec. 9.2. Furthermore, a discretionary survivor's trust was created. See Trust Sec. 4.3. The language of Linthicum is clear that it refers only to revocable inter-vivos trusts:

"However, neither of these statutes directly addresses revocable inter vivos trusts, such as the trust in this case. [...] Nevada statutes do not contemplate beneficiaries to a revocable inter vivos trust challenging the trust until the settlor's death."

Nevada law provides the court discretion to accept jurisdiction and to decide who is an interested party. "Interested person" means a person whose right or interest under an estate or trust may be materially affected by a decision of a fiduciary or a decision of the court. The fiduciary or court shall determine who is an interested person according to the particular purposes of, and matter involved in, a proceeding. NRS 132.185.

Here, Petitioners were co-trustees of the trust and had fiduciary responsibility to protect the interests of Nancy and the assets of the Christian family trust. They had sole discretionary power of the assets of the trust and allege that they were removed as trustees for exercising this discretion. Petitioners further allege that appointment of Monte Reason as trustee will result in abuse or misuse of trust assets.

Nevada law provides that trustees may petition the court regarding any aspect of the trust including appointing or removing a trustee. NRS 153.031(k). Moreover, Nevada law allows the Court to take jurisdiction of cases in matters involving fraud or duress. "The court has exclusive jurisdiction of proceedings initiated by the petition of an interested person concerning the internal affairs of a non-testamentary trust, including a revocable living trust while the settlor is still living if the court determines that the settlor cannot adequately protect his or her own interests or if the interested person shows that the settlor is incompetent or susceptible to undue influence." NRS 164.015(1)

The Court finds that Petitoners, as the original co-trustees and the children of the Grantors, as well as beneficiaries of the trust, are interested person as defined in NRS 132.185. Petitioners have standing to question whether Nancy properly removed them from the role of trustees. NRS 164.015, (1) (3) and (4).

This Court has jurisdiction over the trust. NRS 164.010 (2). In fact, both sides have questions regarding the holding and setting aside of net proceeds of the sale of real property, breach of fiduciary duty, and interpretation of the trust instrument. The Court has jurisdiction to review the trust to resolve these issues. NRS 164.033.

#### V. CONCLUSION

The Petitioners are "interested persons" as defined in NRS 132.185 and have standing to pursue their petition. The Court has jurisdiction to review the trust to help resolve their issues.

NRS 164.033. It is the Court's intention to refer this matter for a conference with a Senior Judge.

WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED
THAT Nancy shall file an Answer/Responding Pleading pursuant to statute.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT all trust assets shall be frozen until further order of the Court.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT the assets withdrawn from the trust by Petitioners shall be placed in to an account and frozen.

Petitioners shall provide proof of the location of these assets to Nancy and the Court within 10 days.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 3/ day of October, 2017

Honorable VINCENT OCHOA
District Court Judge, Department S

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