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11	BETTY CHAN, et al.	Case No: 78666				
12	Appellants,	Dist. Ct. No. A-16-744109-C				
13	v.	REPLY TO PLAINTIFFS- APPELLANTS RESPONSE TO				
14	WAYNE WU, et al.	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE				
15	Appellees.	ENTERED MARCH 9, 2020				
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17	COME NOW, Appellees Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., and					
18	Jamin Chiu (haraaftar "Annallaas" or "Dagnand	ants") by and through their counsel of				
19	Jerrin Chiu (hereafter "Appellees" or "Respond	ents ) by and through their counsel of				
20	record, MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ., of Blackrock Legal, LLC, and bring this Reply to					
21	Plaintiffs-Appellants Response to Order to Show (	Cause Entered March 9, 2020 (hereafter				
22	"Reply"). This Reply is based upon the pleadings papers on file herein, the following					
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24	memorandum of points and authorities, and any oral argument that may be presented at the time					
25	of hearing.					
26	MEMORANDUM OF POIN					
27	<u>BACKGROUND</u>					
28	This matter involves a realtor, Betty Chan (hereafter "Ms. Chan"), who is unwilling to					
_0	accept that she is not entitled to a commission on a real estate sale after abandoning the client					

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during the specific time period he had told her he would need help buying a home. A panel of three arbitrators appointed by the Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors determined to split the commission awarding Ms. Chan \$3,448.83 (25%) of a \$13,795.32 commission and the remainder of the Commission (75%) to Wayne Wu. In truth, the full commission should have been awarded to Wayne Wu. Binding arbitration at GLVAR determined that Wayne Wu was the procuring real estate agent for the sale of real property located at located at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138, APN # 137-34-119-012, (hereinafter "Subject Property") and awarded him the larger share of the commission.

Ms. Chan violated ethical and contractual duties owed to GLVAR and Respondents by improperly filing a lawsuit against Respondents, prior to filing for binding arbitration with GLVAR. Ms. Chan had signed an agreement with GLVAR requiring that all disputes between brokers be resolved via binding arbitration, rather than litigation. It was only after being threatened with sanctions by Respondent that Chan filed a Motion to Stay the improperly filed litigation and filed for binding arbitration with the GLVAR.

Following arbitration and issuance of a binding decision, Ms. Chan continued her vexatious litigation by seeking to overturn the decision of the Arbitration Panel. The district court found the arbitration award to be binding and confirmed the award on August 22, 2018. The Court signed the Order Denying the Motion to Vacate<sup>1</sup> on September 18, 2018. On October 31, 2018 the Court granted the Respondents request for Summary Judgment and took their request for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Costs under advisement. On March 22, 2019, the district court issued the Order Granting Defendant's Countermotion for Summary Judgment and awarded a portion of Wu's Attorney Fees and Costs.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exhibit "1" Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, Sep. 18, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Attached as Exhibit "2".

Ms. Chan filed her *Notice of Appeal* on April 22, 2019, appealing the March 22, 2019 Order. Ms. Chan <u>did not</u> appeal the September 18, 2018 Order which specifically confirmed the arbitration award. She instead appealed the March 22, 2019 Order which affirmed the September 18, 2018 Order, granted partial summary judgment and awarded fees and costs to Appellees. It is critical to note that both the arbitration award and the September 18, 2018 Order operated as findings that Wayne Wu (hereafter "Wu") was the procuring cause of the real estate transaction.

On March 9, 2020, this Court issued its *Order to Show Cause* (hereafter "Second OSC") raising three jurisdictional issues with Ms. Chan's appeal. This is the second order to show cause filed by this Court. The first *Order to Show Cause* (hereafter "First OSC") was issued on November 14, 2019 and it raised concerns that the appeal was filed prematurely while a tolling motion for reconsideration was pending. Ms. Chan has attempted to cure this first jurisdictional defect by filing *Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time)* on January 7, 2020 (hereafter "Motion to Resolve"). The Motion to Resolve was filed before the District Court to resolve the motion for reconsideration. The District Court granted the Motion to Resolve in part, only to the extent that "it requests this Court to rule upon Plaintiff's previous Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants Counter Motion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs." Essentially, the District Court denied the motion for reconsideration. However, Defendants'/ Appellees' counterclaims have still not been resolved by the District Court.

The Second OSC points out three more critical flaws with Ms. Chan's appeal. First, the March 22, 2019 order is not appealable under NRS 38.247(1)(c) because it does not actually confirm the arbitration award, it affirms the order entered on September 18, 2018. Second,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Exhibit "3".

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Appellees' counterclaim for abuse of process is still pending in the district court. Finally, the Second OSC acknowledges that Ms. Chan improperly filed the appeal on behalf of appellant Asian American Realty, a corporation. A non-attorney may not represent a company in an appeal. As a result, this Court ordered Ms. Chan to show cause why her appeal should not be dismissed for want of jurisdiction.

On April 6, 2020, Ms. Chan filed *Plaintiffs-Appellants' Response to Order to Show* Cause Entered March 9, 2020 (hereafter "Response"). In her Response, Ms. Chan claims that her Motion to Resolve corrected the jurisdictional concerns raised in the First OSC. She additionally claims that the Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award was not properly served on Ms. Chan's counsel. Finally, Ms. Chan claims that none of the concerns wisely raised in the Second OSC defeat this Court's jurisdiction. Oddly, Ms Chan filed Plaintiffs' Amended Notice of Appeal on April 6, 2020 (hereafter "Amended Notice"). The Amended Notice states that Ms. Chan is appealing the March 22, 2019 Order, the District Court's Order regarding the Motion to Resolve and "[a]ll prior judgments, orders, rulings, and decisions which the District Court has already entered in this action and as to which Plaintiffs are aggrieved parties as of the date indicated below."<sup>4</sup> It seems like Ms. Chan is now improperly attempting to bootstrap every other order, whether appealable or not, to the current appeal. Such comprehensive language includes all orders, regardless of whether they were timely appealed. This baffling action is a clear attempt to appeal everything that has negatively impacted Ms. Chan.

Importantly, the Motion to Resolve did not adjudicate appellees' counterclaims. Furthermore, the Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award was properly served on all parties. Finally, the defects referred to in the Second OSC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Exhibit "4".

defeat jurisdiction. The March 22 Order did not confirm the arbitration award, it affirmed the order confirming the arbitration award. Further, the counterclaims are still pending and Ms. Chan cannot file an appeal on behalf of Asian American Realty. Ms. Chan's appeal has so many flaws that it cannot possibly remain before this Court. This Court has pointed out multiple reasons why the appeal is jurisdictionally flawed. Dismissal of the appeal is the appropriate action in this case.

#### **LEGAL ARGUMENT**

## I. THE NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER WAS SERVED ON ALL PARTIES VIA ELECTRONIC SERVICE

Ms. Chan claims that the Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award was never served on all parties. This is simply not true. On September 21, 2018, Appellees filed their Certificate of Service, attached Exhibit "2". The Certificate of Service states that the "Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award" was served via electronic service. It also shows that Janice Michaels and Todd Kennedy received service by U.S. Mail. Todd Kennedy served as Ms. Chan's counsel until October 9, 2018, at which point he was substituted in by Janice. Therefore, he was served with the Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award. In fact, Mr. Kennedy signed the Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award. Ms. Chan's claim that she never received notice of the entry of order is incorrect. This entire appeal has been an attempt to appeal an order that was no longer appealable by several months. Ms. Chan failed to appeal the September 14 Order in a timely manner. This was a deliberate choice by her and her counsel at the time. She cannot concoct jurisdiction months later.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Exhibit "8".

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What's more is the receipt of service shows that both Todd and Janice viewed the electronically served *Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award*. Janice Michaels accessed the electronically served *Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award* on September 18, 2018.<sup>6</sup> Todd Kennedy accessed the *Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award* on November 7, 2018 and he viewed the electronically filed *Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award* on September 18, 2018.<sup>7</sup> Both Ms. Chan's present counsel at the time, and the counsel she substituted in later received and viewed the *Notice of Entry of Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award*. Ms. Chan's claim that service was not accomplished is false. Ms. Chan, therefore, had 30 days after September 18, 2018 to appeal the *Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award*. No appeal was filed until April 22, 2019. She cannot appeal the *Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award*.

Once the thirty (30) day appeal period had run on the Order affirming the arbitration award that action (the binding arbitration) was final. The only action remaining at that time was the district court matter between the parties, not the binding arbitration. However, because the District Court claims pending against all Appellees were resolved by the binding arbitration, Summary Judgment was granted in favor of Appellees as to all District Court claims pending against them.

# II. THE MARCH 22, 2019 ORDER AFFIRMED THE FINDINGS IN THE SEPTEMBER 2018 ORDER WHICH OPERATED AS A FINDING THAT WU WAS THE PROCURING CAUSE

Ms. Chan appealed the March 22, 2019 Order, not the September 2018 Order. Had she desired to challenge the findings made by the arbitration panel, which were confirmed by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Exhibit "5"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Id.

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September 2018 Order, she should have appealed back in October 2018. Ms. Chan claims, incorrectly, that the March 22, 2019 order substantively changed the parties' legal rights and obligations. In Campos-Garcia v. Johnson, cited in both the Second OSC and Ms. Chan's Response, this Court explained that the "appealability of an order or judgment depends on 'what the order or judgment actually does."8 In other words, the substance of an order determines its appealability, not an order's title. Ms. Chan cites this very portion of <u>Campos-Garcia</u> but fails to understand its significance.

Ms. Chan claims that the March 22, 2019 Order fundamentally alters the September 18, 2018 Order because it states that "the September 18, 2018 Order is affirmed wherein Wu was determined the procuring cause and the Arbitration was confirmed." Nearly her entire Response hinges on this argument. Ms. Chan argues that because the order contains language about a procuring cause, it somehow was making a new finding which fundamentally altered the September 18, 2018 Order. This is simply not true. As cited previously, the appealability of an order hinges on what the order does. In other words, substance governs over form. The September 18, 2018 Order affirmed the arbitration award, and considered the issue of whether under Nevada law you can have more than one procuring cause. Of course one of the arguments raised by Ms. Chan during the hearing on her motion to overturn the arbitration award was that you cannot have more than one procuring cause. The Court specifically found in paragraph 6 of the September 2018 Order that: "Notwithstanding, the Court finds that Nevada law does not prohibit splitting commission between two individuals both claiming to be the procuring cause. This language makes it abundantly clear that the Court did consider the arbitration award with respect to Mr. Wu being a procuring cause (or the primary procuring cause) and was affirming

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Campos-Garcia v. Johnson, 130 Nev. 610, 611, 331 P.3d 890, 890 (2014).

<sup>9</sup> Exhibit "2".

the Arbitration award in that regard. The later March 2019 Order merely affirmed that prior finding and made no material change to the ruling.

The Arbitration Panel awarded Wayne Wu the lion's share of the commission because he was the primary procuring cause of the sale. The Arbitration Award and the September 18, 2018 Order both, substantively speaking, determined that Wu was the procuring cause (or primary procuring cause) of the of the sale. The March 22, 2019 Order changed nothing, it simply affirmed that finding.

#### III. THE COUNTERCLAIMS ARE STILL PENDING

Ms. Chan presents no cognizant argument as to why the pending counterclaims do not defeat jurisdiction in this matter. Ms. Chan claims that the order is appealable pursuant to NRS 38.247(1)(c) and that to pursue such an appeal, it need not be a final order. In other words, Ms. Chan believes that since the March 22, 2019 Order contains language regarding the procuring cause of the real estate transaction, it was somehow transfigured into an order confirming or denying an arbitration award. If the March 22, 2019 Order "disturbed, revised, and substantively changed the parties' legal rights and obligations" as Ms. Chan argues, Appellees ask, what specifically changed? After the September 18, 2018 Order, Ms. Chan was only entitled to a portion of the Commission, as Wu was the procuring cause, and the arbitration award was confirmed. After the March 22, 2019 Order, Ms. Chan was still only entitled to a portion of the commission and the arbitration award was still in effect. There was no fundamental change to the previous arbitration award or the September 18, 2018 Order. The only thing that changed after the March 22, 2019 Order was that Ms. Chan now owed a mountain of attorney's fees for her litigious behavior. Ms. Chan cannot appeal pursuant to NRS 38.247(1)(c) nor NRS 38.247(a)(f).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Ms. Chan's *Response* at 3:1-2.

As if this were not enough, the counterclaims have never been adjudicated and the March 22, 2019 Order is not a final order.

Since none of the remaining provisions of NRS 38.247 are applicable to this matter, Ms. Chan's only method for appeal are the provisions outlined in NRAP 3A. As previously briefed, the only possible provision upon which Ms. Chan could rely in NRAP 3A is NRAP 3A(b)(1). This provision allows an appeal of "[a] final judgment entered in an action or proceeding." Ms. Chan is, essentially, conceding that this is not a final order, as there are counterclaims pending, therefore it cannot be appealed pursuant to NRAP 3A(b)(1). In its most recent order on the Motion to Resolve, the District Court reiterated that "it does not have jurisdiction to adjudicate Defendants' counterclaim for abuse of process" and therefore it could not "certify the MSJ Order as being final as to all of Plaintiffs' and Defendants' claims and counterclaims under NRCP 54(b)." The District Court essentially acknowledged that there were pending counterclaims but did not resolve them. Thus, the March 22, 2019 Order is not a final order and cannot be appealed pursuant to NRAP 3A (b)(1). None of the other provisions of NRAP 3A are applicable just as none of the provisions of NRS 38.247 are applicable. There is simply no statutory basis for appealing. Ms. Chan's appeal should be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

#### IV. A NON-ATTORNEY CANNOT FILE AN APPEAL FOR A CORPORATION

Ms. Chan acknowledges that she improperly filed the *Notice of Appeal* on behalf od Asian American Realty, but essentially asks that this court excuse this deficiency because she retained counsel a few weeks after she filed. Ms. Chan plays the victim, alleging that she had no choice but to file the appeal on behalf of Asian American Realty because her counsel had just withdrawn. It is important to remember that Ms. Chan has gone through four different attorneys.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> NRAP 3A(b)(1).

<sup>12</sup> See Exhibit "3".

Her current counsel is her fifth advocate in this matter. She has either fired her previous counsel or caused them to withdraw as counsel. It should come as no surprise to her, that retaining a fifth replacement attorney would be difficult when her case is so incredibly weak, and she refuses to listen to her counsel's advice. She even admits that it took her three weeks to retain a new attorney.<sup>13</sup> It is questionable that constitutes prompt action, as put forth by Ms. Chan.

Ms. Chan did file an Amended Notice on April 6, 2020, through counsel. However, this Amended Notice is procedurally defective as it attempts to bootstrap every order adverse to Ms. Chan into this appeal. Even though this Court has discretion to allow an attorney's prompt appearance to correct the defect in Ms. Chan's original appeal, it should not allow Ms. Chan to file an amended notice which envelopes every order adverse to Ms. Chan. Appellees view such a desperate attempt to retain jurisdiction as almost an admission that the appeal is jurisdictionally deficient. If the only error in Ms. Chan's original notice of appeal was that she filed it *pro se* on behalf of an entity, then why did she add language which attempts to encapsulate the September 18, 2018 Order? Appellees request that this Court dismiss the appeal for want of jurisdiction. Ms. Chan did file the appeal on behalf of an entity, which is clearly not permissible under <u>Guerin v. Guerin</u>. She waited three weeks to obtain new counsel, knowing that she needed to appeal within 30 days of the March 22, 2019 Order.

Finally, her attempt to cure the jurisdictional defect contains an obvious attempt to bootstrap unappealable orders to the current appeal. The Notice of Appeal was improperly filed on behalf of a corporate entity it is fatally flawed. The time to file a notice of appeal has run and this Court does not have jurisdiction over the appeal. Ms. Chan cannot, nearly a year later, file an amended notice and cure the multitude of deficiencies of her appeal. The entire appeal is defective due to this flaw and dismissal is, therefore, appropriate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Ms. Chan's *Response* at 16:18-19.

## V. APPELLEES SHOULD BE AWARDED ATTORNEY'S FEES INCURRED DURING THIS APPEAL

Appellees have incurred significant attorney's fees combatting Ms. Chan's deficient appeal. Due to Ms. Chan's carelessness and litigious behavior, this Court has issued two show cause orders, to which Appellees have been forced to respond. Furthermore, Appellees have incurred attorney's fees participating in mediation when Ms. Chan failed to participate in good faith. The Court should award Appellees' attorney's fees for the expense associated with combatting an appeal which is so obviously frivolous and jurisdictionally deficient. Appellees' have incurred a total of \$AMOUNT defending against this unnecessary appeal. \$AMOUNT of that amount represents attorney's fees. NRS 155.140(3) provides that "[i]n any proceeding filed pursuant to this title, the court has jurisdiction and authority to fix and adjudicate fees and costs due an attorney from his or her client for services performed by the attorney in connection with the proceeding." Furthermore, under NRS 30.040(1), the court may issue declaratory relief that the attorney's fees owed to Counsel are just, reasonable and due. Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 38 allows an award of attorney's fees and costs when an appeal has

frivolously been taken or been processed in a frivolous manner, when circumstances indicate that an appeal has been taken or processed solely for purposes of delay, when an appeal has been occasioned through respondent's imposition on the court below, or whenever the appellate processes of the court have otherwise been misused, the court may, on its own motion, require the offending party to pay, as costs on appeal, such attorney fees as it deems appropriate to discourage like conduct in the future.

Ms. Chan's conduct has been the model of frivolity and misuse. She has filed a jurisdictionally deficient appeal and has drug this dispute, a dispute over \$13,000.00, out for years. All of this was to satiate her pride and arrogance. She has incurred attorney's fees multiple times larger than the arbitration award and caused Appellees to do the same. Indeed, she was not joking in her

warning that she had a "few hundred thousand in hand that I can use" to pay attorneys to vindicate her ego. <sup>14</sup>

Moreover, in the Agreement to Arbitrate Chan explicitly agreed that "In the event I do not comply with the award and it is necessary for any party to obtain judicial confirmation and enforcement of the award against me, <u>I agree to pay that party costs and reasonable</u>

attorney's fees incurred obtaining such confirmation and enforcement." Appellees are still fighting to enforce the arbitration agreement. The District Court agreed with the award of fees in the March 22, 2019 Order and granted Appellees an award of \$35,034.58, of which \$34,981.00 is fees and \$53.58 is costs (redacted invoices attached as <u>Exhibit "9"</u>). Now, Appellees have incurred even more attorney's fees trying to enforce the arbitration agreement, whose award pales in comparison to the total amount of attorney's fees they have incurred.

"[I]n determining the amount of fees to award, the court is not limited to one specific approach; its analysis may begin with any method rationally designed to calculate a reasonable amount . . . ."

Nevada courts have long relied upon the factors in Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank to determine reasonability of fees, including:

(1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived. <sup>17</sup>

Any attorney fee award must be based on a **Brunzell** analysis.

<sup>14</sup> See Exhibit "7".

<sup>15</sup> See Exhibit "8".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Shuette v. Beazer Homes Holding Corp., 121 Nev. 837, 864, 124 P.3d 530 (2005).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank, 85 Nev. 345, 349, 455 P.2d 31, 33 (1969).

# A. <u>Brunzell Factor #1</u>: "the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill" <sup>18</sup>

Counsel for Appellees, Michael A. Olsen, Esq. is a founding partner of his firm and has been a member of the State Bar of Nevada for over twenty years. He is a graduate of Utah State University and BYU's J. Reuben Clark Law School. His abilities as an advocate have been recognized through numerous awards and honors, and Mr. Olsen's abilities have been honed through, among other experience, regular appearances in the Eighth Judicial District Court on contested matters. He makes regular appearances before the Probate Court.

Thomas R. Grover, Esq. has been practicing in Las Vegas for more than seven years, the entirety of which has been in probate administration and litigation similar to the present matter. He is a graduate of Utah State University and the University Of Nebraska College Of Law. Mr. Grover also regularly appears in the Eighth Judicial District Court on contested matters, including matters before the Probate Court. Mr. Grover appears almost weekly in probate court on contested matters.

Keith D. Routsong, Esq. is a graduate of Brigham Young University and the University Of Nebraska College Of Law. His practice focuses primarily on contested matters in probate and civil court.

B. <u>Brunzell Factor #2</u>: "the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation" <sup>19</sup>

This matter has involved a substantial amount of time for research, and analysis of issues relating to the arbitration and commission disputes. It has required familiarity with several

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

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legally complex aspects of Nevada law, including issues dealing with the complexities of arbitration and the appeals process.

#### Brunzell Factor #3: "the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work"<sup>20</sup>

This litigation has required a substantial amount of time and effort. Appellees' counsel has diligently pursued the maximum relief available and have advanced argument to preserve legal standards that harmonize with other applicable law.

#### D. Brunzell Factor #4: "the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived"21

Appellees have received counsel and representation throughout the appeals process and through mandatory arbitration. Furthermore, Counsel for Appellees have prepared responses to two orders to show cause.

While "good judgment would dictate that each of these factors be given consideration by the trier of fact and that no one element should predominate or be given undue weight,"<sup>22</sup> each factor strongly supports an award of attorneys' fees and costs in favor of Petitioner. Thus, Appellees request an award of attorney fees and costs totaling \$35,034.58, incurred combatting Ms. Chan's frivolous appeal.

#### **CONCLUSION**

This Court should dismiss the appeal in its entirety. Ms. Chan has stated, incorrectly, that the service was improper for the September 18, 2018 Order. The 30 days passed for an appeal of the September 18, 2018 Order as its notice of entry was served and viewed by Ms. Chan's, then, current counsel, and the counsel she retained afterward. Furthermore, the March 22, 2019 Order did not fundamentally alter the September 18, 2018 Order. It merely affirmed the previous

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349–50.

findings that Wayne Wu was the procuring cause of the real estate transaction. Ms. Chan fails to present any rational explanation for why the pending counterclaim does not defeat jurisdiction. The District Court was clear in its most recent order that the claims were still pending and the March 22, 2019 Order was not final. Finally, Ms. Chan's argument dispelling the problem with her filing the appeal on behalf of Asian American Realty falls flat. She waited weeks to retain an attorney, filed on behalf of an entity, and tried to cure that defect by including grossly overreaching language into the *Amended Notice of Appeal*. Her appeal should be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. Appellees should receive an award of attorney's fees for Ms. Chan's litigious and outrageous behavior.

DATED this 20th day of APRIL 2020.

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NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP., JERRIN	)
CHIU, KB HOME SALES – NEVADA INC.,	
Defendants/Counterclaimants.	)

#### NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the ORDER DENYING MOTION TO VACATE OR

MODIFY ARBITRATION AWARD was entered on the Court's record on the 18th day of

September, 2018. A copy of said Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "1".

DATED this 18th day of September, 2018.

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ORDER DENYING MOTION TO
VACATE OR MODIFY
WAYNE WU, JUDITH SULLIVAN,
NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP., JERRIN
CHIU, KB HOME SALES – NEVADA INC.,

Defendants/Counterclaimants.

#### APPEARANCES

Michael A. Olsen, Esq. of Goodsell & Olsen, LLP, on behalf of Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., and Jerrin Chiu, Defendants/Counterclaimants.

Todd E. Kennedy, Esq. of Kennedy & Couvillier, PLLC on behalf of Betty Chan and Asian American Realty & Property Management, Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants.

This matter came on for hearing on August 22, 2018 before the Honorable Eric Johnson regarding Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants' Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award (hereafter "Motion to Vacate"), and Defendants/Counterclaimants' Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees (hereafter "Countermotion"). The Court Page 1 of 4

having read and considered the papers and pleadings on file, having heard oral arguments made at the time of hearing, and good cause appearing, therefore the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Because Betty Chan, Wayne Wu, and Judith Sullivan are all Realtors, the parties recognize that the underlying dispute in this matter involving commission funds totaling \$13,795.32 was required to be submitted to the Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors (hereafter "GLVAR") for binding arbitration. Plaintiff/Counterdefendant Betty Chan submitted her Request and Agreement to Arbitrate (Member) (hereafter "Agreement to Arbitrate") to the GLVAR seeking arbitration of the dispute.
- The Agreement to Arbitrate contained express consent to arbitrate the dispute between the parties through the GLVAR in accordance with the Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual subscribed to by Realtors.
- This matter proceeded to an arbitration before a GLVAR arbitration panel on April 17, 2018.
- 4. Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants have brought their Motion to Vacate seeking to overturn or modify the arbitration award (hereafter "Award") that was duly entered by the GLVAR arbitration panel on April 27, 2018. The Award determined, that of the \$13,795.32 in total commission, \$3,228.83 was to be paid to Betty Chan and that the remaining \$10,346.49 was to be paid to Defendant/Counterclaimant Wayne Wu.
- 5. Specifically, Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants have attempted to assert the Award should be modified based on statutory and common law grounds, including that the GLVAR purportedly exceeded its authority to arbitrate, acted in an arbitrary and capricious manner, demonstrated manifest disregard for the law, or that the Award was procured by fraud.

6.	Notwithstanding, the Court finds that Nevada law does not prohibit splitting a
commission	between two individuals both claiming to be the procuring cause and therefore
Plaintiffs/C	ounterdefendants have failed to meet their burden of demonstrating clear and
convincing	evidence of a violation under any of the standards asserted in the Motion to Vacate
that would	justify modifying or vacating the Award.
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#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

- a. That the Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award is DENIED.
- b. That pursuant to NRS 38.241(4) and NRS 38.242(2) the Arbitration Award of the GLVAR arbitration panel is CONFIRMED.
- c. That the Counter-Motion seeking summary judgment and an award of attorney fees is taken under advisement, with supplemental briefing to be filed by the Defendants/Counterclaimants by September 5, 2018;
- d. That Plaintiffs/Counterclaimants shall have until September 19, 2018 to submit any responsive briefing regarding the Counter-Motion as supplemented.
- e. AND THAT a hearing on the Countermotion for Summary Judgment and for Attorney's fees shall be held on October 10, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

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This matter came on for hearing on October 31, 2018 before the Honorable Eric Johnson presiding on the Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees [and costs] (hereafter "Countermotion") and Plaintiffs Opposition to recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees. The Court having read and considered the papers and pleadings on file, having heard oral arguments made at the time of hearing, and good cause appearing, therefore the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### FINDINGS OF FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The underlying dispute in this matter involves realtor commission funds totaling \$13,795.32 for the real estate transaction on January 8, 2016 for the purchase of the home located at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138, APN # 137-34-119-012 by Dr. Jerrin Chiu. This matter came before a GLVAR arbitration panel on April 17, 2018. The arbitration panel heard all evidence and arguments of the parties and found that Wu (respondent) was to be paid the \$10,346.49 of the commission funds due from the sale and Betty Chan (complainant) was to be paid \$3448.83.

#### A. COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT GRANTED

- 2. This matter initially came on for hearing on August 22, 2018 before the Honorable Eric Johnson regarding Plaintiffs Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award (hereafter "Motion to Vacate"), and Defendants Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees (hereafter "Countermotion").
- 3. During the August 22, 2018 hearing, this Court denied Plaintiffs Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration award finding: "that Nevada law does not prohibit splitting a commission between two individuals both claiming to be the procuring cause and therefore

Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants have failed to meet their burden of demonstrating clear and convincing evidence of a violation under any of the standards asserted in the Motion to Vacate that would justify modifying or vacating the Award." See September 18, 2108 Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award.

- 4. During that same August 22, 2018 hearing the Court further found that Wayne Wu was the procuring cause and: "That pursuant to NRS 38.241(4) and NRS 38.242(2) the Arbitration Award of the GLVAR arbitration panel is CONFIRMED; and That the Counter-Motion seeking summary judgment and an award of attorney fees is taken under advisement, with supplemental briefing to be filed by the Defendants/Counterclaimants by September 5, 2018." *Id.* The Court hereby affirms its Order dated on or about September 18, 2018 Denying Plaintiffs Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and finding Wu to be the procuring cause. The Court further notes the allowable time frame for Plaintiffs to file a Motion to Reconsider the September 18, 2018 Order has passed.
- 5. The Court set the remaining Countermotion for Summary Judgment and For Attorney's fees and Costs to be heard on October 31, 2018, at which time all supplemental briefing regarding the Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and for Attorney's fees and costs, along with the Opposition to the same, was considered.
- 6. NRCP 56(c) provides that summary judgment shall be rendered if "the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any, show that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." The Nevada Supreme Court stated that a factual dispute is "genuine" when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the nonmoving party. Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 P.3d 1026 (2005). Once the moving party has shown that there is no genuine dispute as to material facts, the burden shifts to the nonmoving

party to set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against that party. In meeting this burden, the nonmoving party, "is not entitled to build a case on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation and conjecture." *Id.* 

7. The Arbitration Panel's award resolved all disputes the plaintiffs had against these defendants, Wu, Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp and Chiu. For the reasons stated above the award is confirmed and Wu is confirmed as the procuring cause. This resolves the Plaintiff's request for declaratory relief and claim of unjust enrichment. Because there are no genuine issues as to any material fact left to be decided against these defendants in this case, summary judgment in favor of the defendants is proper.

#### B. COUNTERMOTION FOR ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS GRANTED

- 8. Defendants requested the Court award them their attorney fees and costs. After considering the pleadings and arguments of counsel, attorney fees and cost are awarded in the amounts of \$920.83 for costs and \$21,435.00 for legal fees.
- 9. The Court finds that the Defendants fees are reasonable and were actually incurred in the confirmation and enforcement of the award of the Arbitration Panel. The Court finds that the contractual provision contained in the Arbitration Agreement signed by both Plaintiff and Defendant provided that "In the event [a party does] not comply with the award and it is necessary for any party to obtain judicial confirmation and enforcement of the award against me, [the party] agree[s] to pay that party costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in obtaining such confirmation and enforcement."
- 10. The Court further finds that provision was reasonable and enforceable. As costs were never challenged, the Court hereby ORDERS costs in the amount of \$920.83 pursuant to Defendants' Memorandum of Costs and Disbursements, which was unopposed.

11. The Court hereby ORDERS attorney's fees in the amount of \$21,435.00. The Court finds this amount is reasonable and actually incurred by Defendants in enforcing the arbitration award. The Court is awarding attorney fees after the entry of the arbitration award and Plaintiffs' filing of its Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, starting on July 25, 2018. The Court declines to award fees requested on the invoices dated December 31, 2016, January 31, 2017, and February 28, 2017, as the redactions made to Plaintiffs' counsel's billing records prevent the Court from determining if those fees were reasonable and necessary. The Court has reviewed the remaining fees and finds they were reasonable and appropriate for litigating the matter and in keeping with attorney fees for such work in Southern Nevada. The Court further finds that the Brunzell factors have been met for the reasons stated in Defendant's Countermotion for Attorney Fees and Costs as set forth below.

- 12. When determining an award of attorneys' fees and costs, Nevada courts have long relied upon the factors in Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank. These four factors analyze (1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived.
- 13. **Brunzell Factor #1**: "the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill". Counsel for Defendants, Michael A. Olsen, Esq. is a founding partner of his firm and has been a member of the State Bar of Nevada for over twenty years. He is a graduate of Utah State University and BYU's J. Reuben Clark Law School. His abilities as an advocate have been recognized through numerous awards and honors,

and Mr. Olsen's abilities have been honed through, among other experience, regular appearances in the Eighth Judicial District Court on contested matters.

- 14. **Brunzell Factor #2:** "the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation" This matter involved complex legal issues including a determination of procuring cause and whether the Arbitration Panel exceeded its authority pursuant to Nevada statute. Because the Plaintiff elected to contest the validity of the Arbitration award it became incumbent on Defendant to defend the award and have it confirmed by the Court. Defendant was successful in confirming and enforcing the Arbitration Award.
- and attention given to the work". The Plaintiffs attempt to set aside the Arbitration Award and to further litigate against the Defendants has required investment of a substantial amount of time and effort to prepare and provide a proper defense, including against motion practice initiated by the Plaintiffs. The fees and costs awarded were reasonably incurred in defending the actions taken by Plaintiffs in this matter as set forth in detail above.
- 16. **Brunzell Factor #4:** "the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived". Defendants were ultimately successful in upholding and enforcing the Arbitration Award, recognizing Wu as the procuring cause and thereby securing summary judgment in favor of the Defendants.
- 17. While "good judgment would dictate that each of these factors be given consideration by the trier of fact and that no one element should predominate or be given undue weight," each factor strongly supports an award of attorneys' fees and costs in the favor of Defendants.

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# That the September 18, 2018 Order is affirmed wherein Wu was determined the a. procuring cause and the Arbitration Award was confirmed. That the Countermotion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED That the Motion for Attorney's Fees and Costs is GRANTED and that Attorney's fees in the amount of \$21,435.00 and Costs in the amount of \$920.83 are hereby awarded DISTRICT COURT JUDGE **ERIC JOHNSON**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

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EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

BETTY CHAN and ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY &

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

WAYNE WU; JUDITH SULLIVAN; NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP.; JERRIN CHIU; and KB HOME

13 | SALES-NEVADA INC.;

Defendants.

And All Related Claims

CASE NO:

A-16-744109-C

**DEPT NO:** 

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**Hearing Date: 1/22/2020** 

Hearing Time: 8:30 a.m.

# ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO FORMALLY RESOLVE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND TO CERTIFY JUDGMENT AS FINAL —AND—

COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM

On January 22, 2020, the Court heard Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (filed Jan. 7, 2020) [the "Motion to Resolve"] and Defendants' Countermotion for Summary Judgment on Abuse of Process Claim (filed Jan. 16, 2020) [the "Countermotion"]. Having reviewed the Motion to Resolve, the Countermotion, and the other pleadings and papers on file in this action, and having considered the arguments of counsel at the hearing, the Court finds just, good, and sufficient cause for GRANTING in part and DENYING in part the Motion to Resolve and for DENYING in all respects the

Countermotion. In this connection, the Court hereby enters the following Findings, Conclusions, and Order:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

The Court hereby makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:

- 1. On March 22, 2019, the Court ruled upon a separate countermotion and entered its Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs ("MSJ Order").
- 2. On April 1, 2019, Plaintiffs, who were representing themselves *pro se* at the time, filed their Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants Counter Motion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs ("Motion for Reconsideration").
- 3. In their Motion for Reconsideration, Plaintiffs sought only an extension of time to find a new attorney who could review this Court's MSJ Order and then file an actual motion for reconsideration on the merits. Plaintiffs requested two alternative means to achieve this end: (1) vacate the Summary Judgment Order for one month or (2) extend the time to file a motion for reconsideration on the merits. (Id.). Here are Plaintiffs' exact words:
  - ... Plaintiff Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management respectfully requests this Court to vacate the entry of order so Plaintiff can have a month to locate an attorney to review before the entry of order as originally ordered by the Court. Or in the alternative Plaintiff is requesting the Court to grant a reconsideration of the Order and allow extension of reconsideration time ... so that [Plaintiffs'] can locate a replacement attorney and put this reconsideration on hold until then if the request is granted.
  - 4. The Court never ruled on the Motion for Reconsideration.
- 5. In the MSJ Order, this Court ruled "[t]hat the September 18, 2018 Order is affirmed wherein Wu was determined the procuring cause and the Arbitration Award was confirmed."

- On April 22, 2019, Plaintiffs, who were still representing themselves pro se, filed their Notice of Appeal in this action.
- 7. When Plaintiffs filed their appeal, the counterclaim for abuse of process of Defendants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu (collectively "Defendants") was still pending and had not yet been adjudicated.
- 8. On November 14, 2019, in the appeal, the Supreme Court issued an Order to Show Cause ("OSC") as to why the appeal should not be dismissed because of the pending Motion for Reconsideration, which this Court had not "formally resolved."
- In the OSC, the Supreme Court stated that all that is required to cure the potential
  jurisdictional defect is "a written, file-stamped order resolving" the Motion for Reconsideration.
- 10. To the extent the foregoing Findings of Fact may be characterized as Conclusions of Law, they are hereby deemed to be such Conclusions.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Court hereby makes the following CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

A. As explained in the Supreme Court's OSC, the appeal may have been prematurely taken because of the Motion for Reconsideration, which Plaintiffs filed when they were representing themselves pro se. This Court may resolve issues relating to any such prematurity.

A premature notice of appeal does not divest the district court of jurisdiction.... If ... a written order or judgment, or a written disposition of the last-remaining timely motion listed in Rule 4(a)(4), is entered before dismissal of the premature appeal, the notice of appeal shall be considered filed on the date of and after entry of the order, judgment or written disposition of the last-remaining timely motion.

NRAP 4(a)(6). Thus, this Court may resolve the issue of appealability.

- B. The Court concludes that it has jurisdiction and may rule upon the Motion for Reconsideration, and to that extent, Plaintiffs' Motion to Resolve should be GRANTED.
- C. The Court concludes that, in substance and form, Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration lacks merit, presents no new facts or law, and is therefore DENIED.

D. Because an appeal has been taken, the Court concludes that it does not have jurisdiction to adjudicate Defendants' counterclaim for abuse of process. *See Foster v. Dingwall*, 126 Nev. 49, 52, 228 P.3d 453, 454-455 (2010) ("This court has repeatedly held that the timely filing of a notice of appeal "divests the district court of jurisdiction to act and vests jurisdiction in this court.""). Accordingly, Defendants' Countermotion should be DENIED.

E. Because the Court may not adjudicate Defendants' counterclaim for abuse of process, it also concludes that it may not certify the MSJ Order as being final as to all of Plaintiffs' and Defendants' claims and counterclaims under NRCP 54(b). *See Foster*, 126 Nev. at 52, 228 P.3d at 454-455. Therefore, to the extent that Plaintiffs' Motion seeks to have this Court so certify the MSJ Order, such Motion should be DENIED.

F. To the extent the foregoing Conclusions of Law may be characterized as Findings of Fact, they are hereby deemed to be such Findings.

#### ORDER

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED as follows:

- i. Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (filed Jan. 7, 2020) ["Motion to Resolve"] is hereby GRANTED in part and DENIED in part, as follows:
  - a. Plaintiffs' Motion to Resolve is GRANTED to the extent that it requests this Court to rule upon Plaintiff's previous Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants Counter Motion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs (filed Apr. 1, 2019) ["Motion for Reconsideration"]; and
  - b. in all other respects, Plaintiff's Motion to Resolve is DENIED.
  - ii. Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration is in all respects hereby DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.	
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	DISTRICT COURT JUDGE Case No. A-16-744109-C ERIC JOHNSON
Submitted by:	Approved:
By:  R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. Nevada Bar. No 9807 Attorney for Plaintiffs  Date:	BLACKROCK LEGAL, LLC 10155 W. Twain Ave., Suite 100 Las Vegas, NV 89147  By: MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 6076 Attorney for Plaintiffs  Date: 2/7/20

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- 2. The District Court's Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (filed Mar. 10, 2020; notice of entry served and filed Mar. 10, 2019); and
- 3. All prior court judgments, orders, rulings, and decisions which the District Court has already entered in this action and as to which Plaintiffs are aggrieved parties as of the date indicated below.

DATED: *April 6, 2020*.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: /s/R. Duane Frizell R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ.

Nevada Bar No. 9807 Attorney for Plaintiffs/ Counter-Defendants

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 1 I certify that on April 6, 2020, I caused the foregoing PLAINTIFFS' AMENDED 2 **NOTICE OF APPEAL** to be served upon the following parties: 3 4 MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ. JANICE M. MICHAELS, ESQ. 5 Nevada State Bar No. 6062 Nevada State Bar No. 6076 THOMAS R. GROVER, ESQ. WOOD SMITH HENNING & BERMAN, LLP 6 Nevada State Bar No. 12387 2881 Business Park Court, Suite 200 KEITH D. ROTSONG, ESQ. Las Vegas, Nevada 89128 7 Attorney for Defendant Nevada State Bar No. 14944 8 BLACKROCK LEGAL, LLC KB Home Sales-Nevada Inc. 10155 W. Twain Ave., Suite 100 9 Las Vegas, Nevada 89147 Attorneys for Defendants/Counterclaimants 10 Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., and Jerrin Chiu 11 12 13 By causing a full, true and correct copy thereof to be sent, together with any and all exhibits and 14 other attachments, by the following indicated method(s): 15 by mailing in a sealed, first-class postage-prepaid envelope, addressed to the above 16 listed individuals, and deposited with the United State Postal Service; 17 $\boldsymbol{X}$ by electronic service through the Eighth Judicial District e-file/e-serve service; 18 by hand delivery; 19 20 by faxing to the attorney at his/her last known fax number; 21 by electronic mail to the last known e-mail address of the attorney/the party. 22 /s/R. Duane Frízell 23 R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 9807 24

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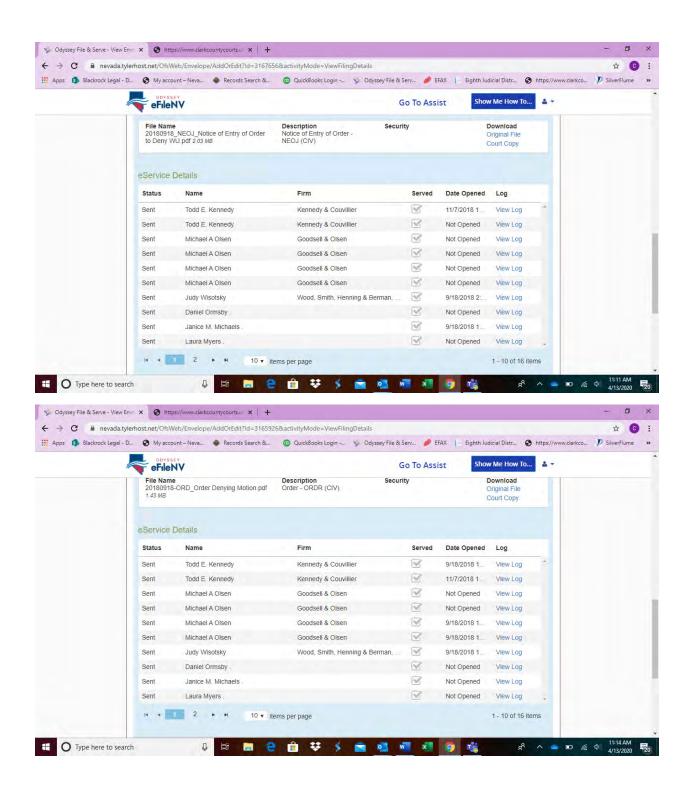
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Honestly from day one i met you my focus is not on the commission, i felt insulted and humiliated, another agent dared challenge me and he really do not know who I am. I have been really sad more than i am angry. Last night i read many court cases. Even though my card was disappeared, it wont hurt me winning. I liked to teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, then I will be very happy to play their game. I got my direction last nite, so i felt peaceful now. All I need KB to understand I dont hate KB for this, and I need them to work with me on my plan. Jana, I dont blame you either and take care of yourself.



April 27, 2018

Nevada Real Estate Corp. Mr. Wayne Wu (Agent) and Judith Sullivan (Broker) 3512 Wynn Road Las Vegas, NV 89103

VIA EMAIL and CERTIFIED MAIL

RE: Arbitration Case #16201A

Dear Mr. Wayne Wu,

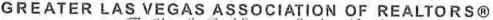
Enclosed is a amended letter referencing the actual Award of Arbitrators decision for the above-referenced case. Please reference the "Award of Arbitrators" that actually states that \$3,448.83 to be paid by Respondent to Complainant, and the remaining \$10,346.49 be paid to Respondent from the title company.

The award must be paid no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 7, 2018, either directly to the Respondent or to the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®. The funds will be deposited in a GLVAR escrow account and are held by GLVAR pending the outcome of a procedural review and/or legal challenge. A request for procedural review must be filed within twenty (20) days of the award. Alternatively, a notice of legal challenge must be received within that same twenty (20) day period.

The appeal period runs until 5:00 p.m. on May 17, 2018. If no appeal is received by that date at the offices of the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®, 6360 S Rainbow Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89118, a letter will be sent to all named parties and the file will be closed.

Please note our new location at 6360 S. Rainbow Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89118. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me.





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Thank you for participating in the Arbitration process.

Sincerely,

Ingrid Trillo, Director

**GLVAR Professional Standards** 

Enclosures:

A12 Award of Arbitrators

A13 (Appeal) Request for Procedural Review (Arbitration)

A7 Notice of Right to Challenge Tribunal Members Designation of Counsel

Cc: Todd Kennedy, Esq., Black & Lobello Michael Olsen, Esq., GoodsellOlsen Judith Sullivan, Esq., Nevada Real Estate Corp Betty Chan-Broker, Asian American Realty





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#### Award of Arbitrators

The undersigned, duly appointed as the Hearing Panel to hear and determine an arbitrable dispute between

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Many arbitration hearings are convened to determine questions of procuring cause. For purposes of arbitration conducted by Boards and Associations of REALTORS\*\*, procuring cause is considered to be the initiation of the unbroken chain of causal events that results

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Appeal deposits Can Not exceed \$500.

# Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® 1750 E Sahara Ave Las Vegas, NV 89109 702-784-5000

## Request for Procedural Review (Arbitration) Case #16201A

To the President of the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®

In the case of: Betty Chan, (Broker) Asian American Realty	vs. Wayne Wu (Agent), Judith Sullivan(Broker)
Complainant	Respondent
I (we),, do hereby request	a procedural review of the arbitration hearing procedures in the
above-cited case before the Board of Directors of the	,
NOTE: The Directors will not hear an appeal on the merits of the arb allegation(s) of procedural deficiency or other irregularities which m	itration award. A request for procedural review must be based on ay have deprived a party of due process.
My (our) request is based on the following:	
(Set forth in reasonable detail [narrative] the facts which support if the narrative exceeds the space below. The procedural review	the request for review. Attach narrative to request form v request must be accompanied by a deposit in the amount
of \$ 250.00 * made payable to the Greater Las	Vegas Association of Realtors ®.
NOTE: Only those facts and issues raised in this written request will hearing.	
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Form #A-7

#### Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® 1750 E Sahara Ave Las Vegas, NV 89109

CASE NO.:

#### Notice of Right to Challenge Tribunal Members\*

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Notice is given herewith	to parties in the matter of_		VS.			// <b>=</b>
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## Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® 6360 S Rainbow Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89118 (702) 784-5052

### DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL (Arbitration)

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11420	06/24/2019	\$5,273.50	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
05/01/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Research case law and statutes for issue with opposing party representing her corporation in the appeal. Review filings remotion to reconsider.	250.00	1:42	425.00
05/01/2019	Christine Manning:Contingency Prepared Certificate of Service for Notice: Prepared mailings: Electronically filed and served documents to the court.	0.00	0:18	0.00
05/03/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Follow up on status of appeal; review whether Bond has been posted.	450.00	0:30	225.00
05/06/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review deadlines on appeal, including request for transcripts; look at what issues are actually appealable.	450.00	0:48	360.00
05/07/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review bond filing and status of supreme court case, specifically whether opposing counsel has made appearance on behalf of opposing party.	250.00	0:12	50.00
05/07/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review and respond to email from Duane Frizzell, Esq., follow up on appealable issues.	450.00	0:48	360.00
05/13/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Place call to opposing counsel re: appeal and transcripts.	450.00	0:24	180.00
05/15/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review and respond to email from opposing counsel re: transcript for appeal; place calls to opposing counsel.	450.00	0:30	225.00
05/17/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESO.:Contingency Conference with clients	450.00	1:06	495.00
05/21/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review filings from the Supreme Court re: matter being transferred to Mandatory Supreme Court Settlement conference; review transcripts from prior hearings.	450.00	0:48	360.00
05/24/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Conference with associate re: outline for mediation brief	450.00	0:48	360.00
05/28/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed supreme court filing re: confidential supreme court settlement statement. Began drafting the same.	250.00	0:36	150.00
05/28/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Instructed paralegal to calendar various deadlines with the supreme court.	250.00	0:12	50.00

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05/29/2019	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Review status of research re: whether order is even appealable; review strategy for upcoming mediation.	450.00	0:48	360.00
05/31/2019	<b>CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS: Court Filing Fee-Wiznet</b> Electronic Filing Fees	3.50	1	3.50
05/31/2019	Julian Campbell:\$100 Prepared Amended Retainer Agreement	100.00	0:42	70.00
05/31/2019	CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS: Westlaw Research Westlaw Online Legal Research	11.00	1	11.00

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12270	04/20/2020	\$4,350.00	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
06/05/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed settlement statement deadline and supreme court filing. Left a message with settlement judge re: the same.	250.00	0:36	150.00
06/05/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Phone call with settlement judge re: due date for settlement statement. Follow up with Julian and MAO re: no due date tomorrow.	250.00	0:18	75.00
06/11/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review status of appeal: case appeal statement: conference with associate re:	450.00	0:48	360.00
06/12/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review strategy for appeal; work on setting date and time for conference with supreme court settlement judge.	450.00	0:36	270.00
06/13/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review notice of appeal and case appeal statement to determine what, exactly, is being appealed. Review statutes for crossappeal for attorney fees. Compose email to MAO re: the same.	250.00	1:12	300.00
06/13/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review case in preparation for settlement conference.	450.00	0:42	315.00
06/14/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Attend conference call with Supreme Court Settlement Judge; update client re: same.	450.00	0:48	360.00
06/18/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Drafted factual portion of confidential settlement statement. Began drafting first legal argument for settlement statement.	0.00	1:54	0.00
06/18/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Conference with paralegal reference new arguments for settlement brief.	450.00	0:36	270.00
06/19/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review strategy for settlement; follow up with client re:	450.00	0:42	315.00
06/21/2019	Keith Routsong:Contingency Finished drafting first legal argument for confidential settlement statement. Began drafting second legal argument.	250.00	1:54	475.00
06/21/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed docketing statement to ascertain which order, exactly is being reviewed. Reviewed pleadings to determine whether issues are appeal-able. Began drafting legal argument re: the same.	0.00	1:42	0.00
06/21/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Confirm appeal of Order is improper based upon research; review motion to dismiss options.	450.00	0:24	180.00
06/24/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Added additional argument re: attorney's fees. Conducted edits of first argument for conciseness and space. Finalized third legal argument for timeliness.	250.00	1:54	475.00
06/24/2019	Keith Routsong:\$250 Drafted weakest portion of arguments, drafted conclusion. Compiled and redacted exhibits.	250.00	1:36	400.00
06/25/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review and incorporate edits made by MAO in Confidential	250.00	0:18	75.00

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
	Settlement Statement.			
06/26/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review status settlement brief.	450.00	0:24	180.00
06/27/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Final edits for settlement statement. Instructions to paralegals to send to settlement judge before deadline.	250.00	0:36	150.00

BALANCE DUE

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INVOICE#	DATE	TOTAL DUE	ENCLOSED
12271	04/20/2020	\$720.00	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
07/03/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review email from settlement judge indicating that Settlement Conference must be moved; review dates for availability.	450.00	0:36	270.00
07/08/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review final outline for settlement brief: discuss strategy re:	450.00	0:30	225.00
07/26/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Follow up on getting all clients	450.00	0:30	225.00
07/30/2019	Christine Manning:Contingency Correspondence and phone call with Wayne	0.00	0:12	0.00

BALANCE DUE

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INVOICE#	DATE	TOTAL DUE	ENCLOSED
12272	04/20/2020	\$6,123.46	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
08/01/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, FSQ.:Contingency Follow up on settlement brief; review strategy for upcoming mediation; review which Order can be challenged.	450.00	1:06	495.00
08/05/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Set call with mediator Jim Kohl, commence compilation of documents and exhibits to be used at mediation.	450.00	0:48	360.00
08/06/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review Settlement brief and all recently filed pleadings and exhibits and mark them up for settlement conference.	450.00	2:18	1,035.00
08/06/2019	Christine Manning:\$100 Prepared binder for hearing.	100.00	0:42	70.00
08/07/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began research on timeliness of opposing party's appeal, specifically, whether the order constituted a final order.	250.00	0:24	100.00
08/07/2019	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Travel to and attend settlement conference.	450.00	5:12	2,340.00
08/08/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review strategy for filing of	450.00	1:06	495.00
08/12/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESO.:Contingency Review strategy for getting	450.00	0:36	270.00
08/15/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESO.:Contingency Review strategy for case:	450.00	0:54	405.00
08/19/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Follow up on strategy for MSJ	450.00	0:48	360.00
08/31/2019	CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS: Westlaw Research Westlaw Online Legal Research	13.46	1	13.46

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INVOICE#	DATE	TOTAL DUE	ENCLOSED
12273	04/20/2020	\$2,335.00	

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09/03/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Follow up with associate re:	450.00	0:30	225.00
09/13/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Legal research re: final appealable orders: look at arguments	450.00	2:06	945.00
09/16/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed status of case to determine whether MSJ can be filed. Began basic drafting of MSJ.	250.00	0:42	175.00
09/16/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began drafting factual portion of Motion to Dismiss and legal argument.	250.00	0:54	225.00
09/18/2019	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Follow up on getting settlement judge to submit report to the Supreme Court so we can proceed with getting appeal dismissed.	450.00	0:36	270.00
09/24/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Continue work on getting appeal dismissed: review legal research re:	450.00	1:06	495.00

BALANCE DUE

\$2,335.00



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INVOICE#	DATE	TOTAL DUE	ENCLOSED
12274	04/20/2020	\$1,030.00	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
10/14/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review case status and strategy:	450.00	0:54	405.00
10/15/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review case status and email settlement judge's assistant to follow up on settlement report.	250.00	0:18	75.00
10/18/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Research for Motion to Dismiss, specifically statutes/ rules/ cases for appeals/ final orders.	250.00	1:18	325.00
10/18/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Drafting of Motion to dismiss - revisions to older draft and additional language about final order.	250.00	0:54	225.00
10/28/2019	<b>Keith Routsong: Contingency</b> Research case law on limitation that appeals must be to final orders.	0.00	1:12	0.00
10/29/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began drafting legal argument that appeal is not to a final order.	0.00	0:48	0.00
10/31/2019	Keith Routsong:Contingency Completed mandatory settlement review.	0.00	0:12	0.00

BALANCE DUE

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12275	04/20/2020	\$3,935.00		

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11/05/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Finished drafting legal argument that the order on appeal is not a final order.	250.00	1:12	300.00
11/06/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Continue legal research on dismissal of appeal;	450.00	0:48	360.00
11/06/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Revised legal argument that appeal cannot be taken regarding sufficiency of arb. award to include corresponding citations to docket statement.	250.00	0:48	200.00
11/06/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Research cases under Uniform Arbitration Act adopted in Nevada. Draft legal argument, re: the same.	250.00	1:12	300.00
11/06/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Revised legal argument that order is not final to comply with language in uniform arbitration act.	250.00	0:36	150.00
11/07/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Research case law opposing jurisdiction pursuant to NRS 38.247(1)(c).	250.00	1:24	350.00
11/07/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Incorporated new case into legal argument. Drafted additional legal argument re: dismissal.	250.00	2:18	575.00
11/07/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Drafted conclusion. Conducted final proof reading.	250.00	1:06	275.00
11/14/2019	<b>THOMAS R. GROVER, ESQ.:\$350</b> Review Order to Show Cause and relevant rules.	350.00	0:12	70.00
11/14/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review Order to Show Cause from the Supreme Court;	450.00	0:30	225.00
11/15/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review order to show cause issued by the Supreme Court. Begin research on additional jurisdictional issue raised by Supreme Court.	250.00	1:30	375.00
11/18/2019	Keith Routsong:Contingency Review record to determine whether disposition had been handed down for motion for reconsideration.  Review April 1, 2019 Motion for	250.00	0:30	125.00
11/22/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency	450.00	0:18	135.00
11/26/2019	Review email from opposing counsel re: appeal issues.  MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review and respond to email re: appeal and intention re: MSJ.	450.00	0:30	225.00
11/29/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review discovery plan once case has been remanded.	450.00	0:36	270.00



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12276	04/20/2020	\$4,055.00	

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12/03/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Commence work on outline for Motion for Summary judgment on counterclaims.	450.00	1:24	630.00
12/05/2019	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Review and respond to email from opposing counsel re: finality of order.	450.00	0:18	135.00
12/11/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed notice of hearing filed by court clerk.	250.00	0:12	50.00
12/11/2019	Vicki Pyne:Contingency Reviewed and imported Notice of Hearing regarding status check of appeal electronically filed with the Court	150.00	0:12	30.00
12/17/2019	Vicki Pyne:Contingency Reviewed and imported Reply to Response to Order to Show Cause and Alternative Request for Leave and Additional Time to Cure Any Jurisdictional Defendant by Stipulation, Motion, or Order in the District Court electronically filed with the Nevada Supreme Court	150.00	0:12	30.00
12/17/2019	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Review pleading filed by opposing counsel; discuss argument for reply brief with associate.	450.00	0:48	360.00
12/18/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed content of draft motion to dismiss to determine portions relevant to reply. Began basic drafting of Reply to Response to order to show cause.	250.00	0:54	225.00
12/19/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed case law cited by Supreme Court. Began researching effect of minute order.	250.00	1:12	300.00
12/19/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Revised factual portion of Motion to Dismiss to fit reply to Order to Show Cause.	250.00	0:36	150.00
12/20/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Revised order of arguments presented in Reply to Motion to Dismiss. Drafted legal argument re:	250.00	2:06	525.00
12/20/2019	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Finished researching and review case law re: effect of minute order.	250.00	0:54	225.00
12/20/2019	Keith Routsong:Contingency Drafted legal argument re:	250.00	1:06	275.00
12/20/2019	Keith Routsong:Contingency Drafted legal argument against additional time to correct deficiencies. Proof read and finalized reply. Sent to MAO for review. Instructed paralegal to calendar deadline.	250.00	1:12	300.00
12/24/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review strategy and outline for response to Order to Show Cause.	450.00	0:30	225.00
12/30/2019	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Continue work on outline for response brief on appeal; review whether lower court ruled on abuse of process.	450.00	1:06	495.00



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12277	04/20/2020	\$5,993.72		

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01/02/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Drafted in additional language directed by MAO. Instructed paralegal to file the reply.	250	0:54	225
01/02/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Follow up on status of filing reply. Emails re: the same.	250	0:12	50
01/02/2020	Christine Manning:Contingency Prepared Certificate of Service for Response: Electronically filed and served documents to the court.	100.00	0:12	20.00
01/03/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Reviewed notice sent by Supreme Court clerk. Drafted motion for extension on time. Instructed paralegal to file the same.	250	1:42	425
01/03/2020	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review revise and file Reply brief.	450.00	0:42	315.00
01/07/2020	Vicki Pyne:Contingency Reviewed and imported Order Granting Motion to Extend Time to file Respondents' Reply to Appellants' Response to Order to Show Cause electronically filed with the Court	150.00	0:12	30.00
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01/27/2020	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Follow up on proposed Order; review status of supreme court case.	450.00	0:36	270.00
01/31/2020	CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS: Court Filing Fee-Wiznet Electronic Filing Fees	3.50	2	7.00
01/31/2020	CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS:Postage Postage	0.80	1	0.80
01/31/2020	CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS: Westlaw Research Westlaw Online Legal Research	16.92	1	16.92

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12278	04/20/2020	\$966.00		

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02/13/2020	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Follow up on status of supreme court decision on whether case can proceed.	450.00	0:24	180.00
02/28/2020	CLIENT COST REIMBURSEMENTS:Postage Postage	1.00	1	1.00

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12279	04/20/2020	\$755.00	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
03/10/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review show cause order filed by Supreme Court. Instructed paralegal to calendar accordingly.	250.00	0:30	125.00
03/16/2020	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Review strategy for moving forward on case if appeal is dismissed.	450.00	0:48	360.00
03/25/2020	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Follow up on status of getting ruling from Supreme Court on Order to show cause.	450.00	0:36	270.00

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12280	04/20/2020	\$3,565.00	

SERVICED	DESCRIPTION	RATE	QTY	AMOUNT
04/06/2020	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review and analysis of Amended Notice of Appeal; instruct associate to review whether the same is procedurally proper.	450.00	0:36	270.00
04/06/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review amended notice of appeal.	250.00	0:12	50.00
04/07/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review of response to order to show cause filed by opposing counsel.	250.00	1:00	250.00
04/07/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began drafting facts for response.	250.00	0:36	150.00
04/07/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began reviewing case law and status of service of previous orders in preparation for drafting legal arguments.	250.00	1:12	300.00
04/07/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began drafting legal argument that service of the Notice of Entry of Orders were served properly.	250.00	1:00	250.00
04/07/2020	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Review in detail amended Notice of Appeal; follow up with associate re; objection to the same; review Response to Order to Show Cause; follow up with associate re: arguments in response.	450.00	0:54	405.00
04/08/2020	<b>MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency</b> Review and analysis of arguments for reply to Supreme Court.	450.00	0:42	315.00
04/08/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Review case law cited by opposing counsel in response to OSC.	250	1:06	275
04/13/2020	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Confirm service of Sept 2018 Order and Notice of Entry of Order; review strategy moving forward with appeal and Response brief due.	450.00	0:36	270.00
04/13/2020	<b>Christine Manning:\$100</b> Reviewed past filings for receipt of service to opposing counsel; forwarded to attorney.	100.00	0:30	50.00
04/13/2020	Christine Manning:\$100 Prepared screen shots for exhibits; forwarded to attorney.	100.00	0:24	40.00
04/14/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Continued drafting factual portion of response to OSC to include recent hearings in district court and amended notice of appeal.	250	1:36	400
04/14/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Continued drafting first legal argument to include information on service of NEOJ.	250	0:54	225
04/14/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Continued review of pleadings, OSC and notices for legal arguments/ facts.	250	1:06	275
04/14/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began drafting second legal argument re: operation of Sept. 2018 order and failure to appeal.	250	1:12	300

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04/14/2020	<b>Keith Routsong: Contingency</b> Began drafting third legal argument re: counterclaims.	250	1:18	325
04/15/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Began drafting legal argument that Ms. Chan cannot file appeal on behalf of entity. Begin review of case law re: the same.	250	0:42	175
04/15/2020	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Conference with associate re: arguments for Response brief to Supreme Court; review strategy for knocking out late filed amended notice of appeal.	450.00	0:36	270.00
04/16/2020	<b>Keith Routsong: Contingency</b> Research on appellate procedure for award of attorney's fees for frivolous appeals.	250	0:48	200
04/16/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Drafted portion of reply for attorney's fees through the appeal.	250	1:12	300
04/16/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Revisions and additions to legal argument regarding pending counterclaims.	250	1:18	325
04/16/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Finished drafting legal argument regarding non-attorney filing appeal on behalf of entity. Reviewed past proceedings for relevant information.	250	1:30	375
04/16/2020	<b>Keith Routsong:Contingency</b> Revisions and edits to legal arguments for reply. Drafted conclusion.	250	1:00	250
04/17/2020	<b>Keith Routsong: Contingency</b> Compile tentative exhibits. Revise footnotes for final draft.	250	0:48	200
04/17/2020	MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.:Contingency Review and revise Supreme Court brief; response.	450.00	1:06	495.00

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\$6,740.00