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September 16, 2020

Elizabeth A. Brown Clerk of the Court 201 South Carson Street, Suite 201 Carson City, Nevada 89701-4702

RE: LAS VEGAS DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC vs. JAMES R. BLAHA; BANK OF AMERICA, NA, as successor by merger to BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP; RECONTRUST COMPANY NA; JOSE PEREZ, JR.; EZ PROPERTIES, LLC; K&L BAXTER FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; FCH FUNDING, INC.

**S.C. CASE: 79055** D.C. CASE: A-15-715532-C

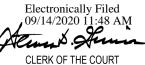
Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to your Order Granting Motion for Limited Remand, dated September 3, 2020, enclosed is a certified copy of the Order Vacating Order Granting Motion for Summary Judgment filed September 14, 2020 in the above referenced case. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 671-0512.

Sincerely,

STEVEN D. GRIERSON, CLERK OF THE COURT

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    LAS VEGAS DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC, )
    a Nevada limited liability company,
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                                     Plaintiff.
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                                                  Dept. No.
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    VS.
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    JAMES R. BLAHA, an individual; BANK OF
    AMERICA, NA, a National Banking
    Association, as successor by merger to BAC
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    HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP;
    RECONTRUST COMPANY NA, a Texas
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    corporation; JOSE PEREZ, JR. an individual;
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    EZ PROPERTIES, LLC, a Nevada limited
    liability company; K&L BAXTER FAMILY
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    LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Nevada limited
    partnership; FCH FUNDING, INC, an unknown
    corporate entity; DOE individuals I through
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    XX; and ROE CORPORATIONS I through
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    XX.
                                   Defendants.)
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# ORDER VACATING ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

On August 18, 2020, this Court entered its Certification of Intent to Vacate Order Granting Motion for Summary Judgment which was entered herein on or about May 24, 2019. The primary basis for the Order Granting Summary Judgment was the Nevada Supreme Court's prior decision in the matter of Bank of Am., N.A. v. Thomas Jessup, LLC Series VII, 135 Nev.

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42, 435 P.3d 1217 (2019) ("*Jessup 1*"). Plaintiff, Las Vegas Development Group, LLC, appealed the Order granting Summary Judgment on June 18, 2019. Defendants, James R. Blaha and Noble Home Loans, Inc. f/k/a FCH Funding, Inc., filed a Notice of Cross Appeal on July 2, 2019.

On May 7, 2020, the Nevada Supreme Court issued an Order vacating its prior Order in *Jessup 1* and replacing it with an Order Affirming in Part, Reversing in Part and Remanding to the district court. *Bank of Am. v. Jessup*, No. 73785, 2020 Nev. Unpub. LEXIS 471 (May 7, 2020) ("*Jessup 2*"). Pursuant to *Jessup 2*, the *en banc* Supreme Court wholly reversed the Panel's decision in *Jessup 1*. The parties hereto thereafter jointly requested that this Court certify its intent vacate the Order granting Summary Judgment.

On September 3, 2020, the Nevada Supreme Court issued an Order Granting Motion for Limited Remand, remanding the case to this Court for the limited purpose of allowing this Court to enter an Order vacating the Order Granting Summary Judgment entered on or about May 24, 2019. GOOD CAUSE APPEARING THEREFOR,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED the primary basis for the entry of this Court's Order Granting Summary Judgment entered herein on May 24, 2019, was invalidated or substantially changed by the Nevada Supreme Court's decision in the matter of *Jessup 2*.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Court's Order Granting Summary Judgment entered on or about May 24, 2019, is hereby VACATED in its entirety.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a status check will be held on September 30, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. during which time the Court will set scheduling deadlines in the matter.

DATED this day of September, 2020 day of September, 2020.

September 16, 2020

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818 7D2 3A77 FF92 Jerry A. Wiese District Court Judge

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All,

I am okay with this although I do note that that the department stated in its email that the status check on September 30, 2020, will be vacated if the order is timely submitted. The court presumably will adjust this when it receives the order in this form. If not, I suppose we can adjust accordingly. Brittany, please email your consent to this version. Lilith and Amy, I will use your prior emails expressing your approval to the revised version.

#### Tim

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My revisions are attached.

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Hello Tim,

We agree with the redlines from Brittany. If it is in that form, you may e-sign for me.

Thank you,

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**ORDER REVISION** 

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Tim,

We also agree with the redlines from Brittany, with those revisions you may es-sign for me.

Sincerely,

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