

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA

NONA TOBIN, AS TRUSTEE OF THE
GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST,
DATED 8/22/08,

Appellant,

vs.

JOEL A. STOKES; SANDRA F.
STOKES, AS TRUSTEE OF THE
JIMI JACK IRREVOCABLE TRUST;
YUEN K. LEE, AN INDIVIDUAL,
D/B/A MANAGER; F. BONDURANT,
LLC; SUN CITY ANTHEM
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.;
AND NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE,
LLC,

Respondents.

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Case No. 79295

APPEAL

from the Eighth Judicial District Court, Department XXXI
The Honorable Joanna S.. Kishner, District Judge
District Court Case No. A-15-720032-C

RESPONDENTS' JOINT REPLY TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

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Respondents Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. (**SCA**), and Jimijack Irrevocable Trust (**Jimijack**, and with Nationstar and SCA, collectively, **respondents**), by and through their counsel of record, submit their joint reply to the Court's order to show cause filed January 7, 2010.

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

In an order dated January 11, 2017, the court granted Nona Tobin, **as Trustee** of the Gordon B. Hansen Trust, to intervene in the underlying lawsuit. (*See* **Ex. 1**, order.) The Order in multiple locations refers to Nona Tobin, **as Trustee** of the Gordon B. Hansen Trust, and does not refer to Nona Tobin individually. Ms. Tobin, the individual, never obtained an order allowing her to intervene in the litigation. The district court confirmed this interpretation of the January 11, 2017 order in minutes of a June 3, 2019 hearing, stating: “the intervention motion was granted back in 2016 as Tobin trustee on behalf of the trust, there is nothing in the record that allowed Ms. Tobin to come in as an individual”¹ (**Ex. 2**, court minutes, June 3, 2019.)

In the same month of January of 2017, the Gordon B. Hansen Trust (**Hansen Trust** or **Trust**) filed cross-claims against SCA. (*See* January 31, 2017 Cross-

¹ Though granted in 2016 the Order was entered January 11, 2017.

Claim.) SCA challenged Nona Tobin as Trustee's ability to represent the Trust without legal counsel. The Trust, through counsel, eventually stipulated to dismiss all claims except for quiet title against SCA. The quiet title claim included allegations SCA failed to comply with NRS 116 and the Community's Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (**CC&Rs**). SCA eventually obtained summary judgment against Nona Tobin as Trustee for the Trust. That decision is on appeal.

After the court granted summary judgment, Ms. Tobin individually moved for a new trial and moved to dismiss, and counterdefendants opposed her motions. The district court struck her motion for new trial and motion to dismiss from the record as rogue documents. The court's findings of fact and conclusions of law further confirm Ms. Tobin was never a party to this matter in her individual capacity. *See Ex. 3*, notice of entry findings of fact and conclusions of law, November 22, 2019 ("1. Nona Tobin, an individual, is not, and has never been, a party to this case."; "2. Nona Tobin's involvement in this case is limited to her role as trustee of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST Dated 8/22/08.").

The district court's striking of Ms. Tobin's individual filings does not provide jurisdiction over her attempts to appeal in her individual capacity.² The court never denied Ms. Tobin, individually, the ability to properly seek entry into the litigation,

² *See* Nona Tobin's individual amended notice of appeal filed in this Court January 2, 2020, attempting to appeal an order striking rogue documents and *see* NRAP 3A(a).

nor did it determine whether Ms. Tobin could or could not participate in the litigation as an individual. Finding that Ms. Tobin is not a party and therefore cannot file in the litigation is not the same. The closest Ms. Tobin ever came to requesting entry into the litigation individually was a motion to substitute real party in interest filed May 23, 2019. (See **Ex. 4**, motion.) She later withdrew that motion and the court never ruled on it. (See **Ex. 5**, court minutes, May 29, 2019.) Ms. Tobin, individually, previously attempted to appeal, and on September 4, 2019, this Court dismissed that attempt, finding “[it] lacks jurisdiction to address her claims as an individual[]”, citing to *Valley Bank of Nev. v. Ginsburg*, 110 Nev. 440, 446, 874 P.2d 729, 734 (1994), which references NRAP 3A(a) (standing to appeal).

The district court's order later striking additional rogue filings by Ms. Tobin, individually, does not change the fact she was never a party to the underlying litigation, and that this Court still lacks jurisdiction based on its prior reasoning. *Id.* That Ms. Tobin's amended notice of appeal was filed by an attorney rather than *pro se* is also a distinction without difference for purposes of jurisdiction.

The Court also lacks jurisdiction on the grounds “no statute or court rule permits an appeal from an order striking filings.” See *Cunningham v. Exec. Branch of Nevada Gov't*, 127 Nev. 1128, 373 P.3d 907 (2011) (unpublished) (citing *Castillo v. State*, 106 Nev. 349, 352, 792 P.2d 1133, 1135 (1990)), and see also NRAP 3A(a) (“a party who is aggrieved by an appealable judgment or order may appeal from that

judgment or order. . . .”) Here, the most recent notice of appeal attempts to appeal an order striking documents—which is not appealable.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, respondents request the appeal be dismissed in part as to the appeal by Nona Tobin in her individual capacity.

DATED March 30th, 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of AKERMAN LLP, and that on this 30th day of March, 2019, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **RESPONDENTS' JOINT REPLY TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**, in the following manner:

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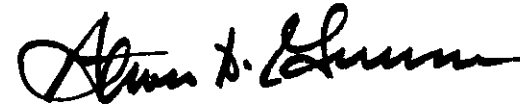
I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose discretion the service was made.

/s/ Carla Llarena
An employee of AKERMAN LLP

EXHIBIT 1

**Order Granting Applicant Nona Tobin's
Motion to Intervene
(Filed January 11, 2017)**

EXHIBIT 1



CLERK OF THE COURT

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Defendant-in-Intervention, Cross-Claimant, Counter-Claimant
In Proper Person

**DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

JOEL A. STOKES and SANDRA F. STOKES,
as trustees of the JIMI JACK IRREVOCABLE
TRUST,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; SUN CITY
ANTHEM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,
INC.; DOES 1 through X and ROE
BUSINESS ENTITIES 1 through 10, inclusive,

Defendants.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC,

Counter-Claimant,

vs.

JIMI JACK IRREVOCABLE TRUST;
OPPORTUNITY HOMES, LLC, a Nevada
limited liability company; F. BONDURANT,
LLC, a Nevada limited liability company;
DOES I X, ROE CORPORATIONS XI XX,
inclusive,

Counter-Defendants

Case No.: A-15-720032-C

Dept. No.: XXXI

**ORDER GRANTING APPLICANT
NONA TOBIN'S MOTION TO
INTERVENE**

Hearing date: December 20, 2016

Hearing time: 9:00 a.m.



1 This matter came for hearing before the Court on December 20, 2016, at 9:00 AM.
2 Applicant/Intervening Defendant/Counter-Claimant Nona Tobin, Trustee of the Gordon
3 B. Hansen Trust, appeared in Proper Person while Plaintiffs/Counter-Defendants, Joel
4 A. Stokes and Sandra F, Stokes, as Trustees of the Jimijack Irrevocable Trust, were represented
5 by Joseph Y. Hong, Esq., of Hong & Hong, a Professional Law Corporation.

6 The motion to Intervene and Notice of Hearing was electronically served to all parties
7 included on the Wiz-net E-file Master Service list for the consolidated cases. Plaintiff/Counter-
8 Defendant Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, received e-service through their Counsel, Wright, Finlay
9 & Zak, LLP, but no appearance at the hearing was made on behalf of Nationstar Mortgage,
10 LLC.

11 The Court, having considered the pleadings and papers on file and heard the arguments
12 of the parties present at the hearing, and for good cause appearing, hereby rules as follows:

13 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that Applicant
14 Nona Tobin's Motion to Intervene into consolidated cases No. A-15-720032-C and
15 A-16-730078-C, of which Case No. A-15-720032-C serves as the main case is GRANTED.

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1 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that Applicant Nona
2 Tobin shall file her Counter-Claim(s) and Cross-Claim(s) ~~on or before January~~ ^{within twenty (20) days} ~~2017~~ ^{hereof.}
3 Any Cross-Claim Ms. Tobin may file against Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, may be filed no later
4 than twenty (20) days following a determination by this Court to void the disputed foreclosure
5 sale for delinquent HOA assessments. *John*

6 **IT IS SO ORDERED** this 10 day of Jan, 2017.

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8 *John* **JOANNA S. KISHNER**
9 **DISTRICT COURT JUDGE**

10 Respectfully submitted,

11 *Nona Tobin*
12 **NONA TOBIN, Trustee**
13 **Gordon B. Hansen Trust, Dated 8/22/08**
14 **2664 Olivia Heights Avenue**
15 **Henderson NV 89052**
16 **Phone: (702) 465-2199**
17 ***Defendant-in-Intervention/Counter-Claimant***
18 ***In Proper Person***

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20 Approved as to form and content,

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EXHIBIT 2

**Court Minutes
(Calendar Call; June 3, 2019)**

EXHIBIT 2

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REGISTER OF ACTIONS

CASE No. A-15-720032-C

Joel Stokes, Plaintiff(s) vs. Bank of America NA, Defendant(s)

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Case Type: **Other Title to Property**

Date Filed: **06/16/2015**

Location: **Department 31**

Cross-Reference Case Number: **A720032**

Supreme Court No.: **79295**

### RELATED CASE INFORMATION

## Related Cases

A-16-730078-C (Companion Case)

## PARTY INFORMATION

|                   |                                           |                                                         |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Counter Claimant  | Gordon B. Hansen Trust Dated 8/22/08      | Lead Attorneys                                          |
| Counter Claimant  | Nationstar Mortgage, LLC                  | Melanie D. Morgan<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-634-5000(W) |
| Counter Claimant  | Tobin, Nona                               | Pro Se                                                  |
| Counter Defendant | Stokes, Joel A                            | Joseph Y. Hong<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-870-1777(W)    |
| Counter Defendant | Stokes, Sandra F                          | Joseph Y. Hong<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-870-1777(W)    |
| Cross Claimant    | Gordon B. Hansen Trust Dated 8/22/08      |                                                         |
| Cross Claimant    | Tobin, Nona                               | Pro Se                                                  |
| Cross Defendant   | Lee, Yuen K.                              |                                                         |
| Cross Defendant   | Sun City Anthem Community Association Inc | David A. Clark<br><i>Retained</i><br>7023822200(W)      |
| Defendant         | Bank of America NA                        | Dana J. Nitz<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-475-7964(W)      |
| Defendant         | Sun City Anthem Community Association Inc | David A. Clark<br><i>Retained</i><br>7023822200(W)      |

**Plaintiff JimiJack Irrevocable Trust****Joseph Y. Hong**  
*Retained*  
702-870-1777(W)

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**EVENTS & ORDERS OF THE COURT**

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06/03/2019 **Calendar Call** (8:45 AM) (Judicial Officer Kishner, Joanna S.)**Minutes**

05/21/2019 9:00 AM

05/23/2019 3:30 PM

06/03/2019 8:45 AM

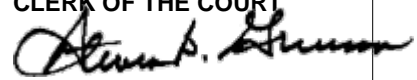
- Parties made appearances; and Mr. Coppedge identified Ms. Tobin as an individual. Court clarified there is nothing in the record that shows Ms. Tobin as an individual, the Court had asked Mr. Mushkin about this at the last hearing, the intervention motion was granted back in 2016 as Tobin trustee on behalf of the trust, there is nothing in the record that allowed Ms. Tobin to come in as an individual, and a trustee has to be represented by counsel. Court addressed the caption issue and history of the case, including the ruling made at the prior hearing. Upon Court's inquiry about whether a Rule 2.67 conference was held, Mr. Coppedge stated this occurred two weeks ago, telephonically, and he does not have an exact date. Mr. Hong noted he spoke with opposing counsel telephonically, and will not be providing witnesses or documents. Court noted there was a Joint Case Conference Report filed and an Individual Case Conference Report filed. Statements by counsel. Court addressed the procedural aspects of the case; and determined non-compliance by the parties under EDCR 2.67, EDCR 2.68, and EDCR 2.69 or NRCP 16.1 (a) (3); and no pre-trial memorandums were filed, no joint pre-trial memorandums were filed, and there were no pre-trial disclosures. Parties did not provide trial exhibits. Court stated neither side can provide documents or witnesses at trial. Trial schedule was provided to the parties by Court, orally. COURT ORDERED, trial date SET. 6/05/19 8:30 A.M. BENCH TRIAL CLERK'S NOTE: Minutes updated to only include the trial start time for June 5, 2019. (6/04/19 sb)

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# **EXHIBIT 3**

**Notice of Entry of Findings of Fact,  
Conclusions of Law and Order  
(Filed November 22, 2019)**

**EXHIBIT 3**



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

JOEL STOKES and SANDRA F.  
STOKES, as trustees of the JIMI JACK  
IRREVOCABLE TRUST,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; SUN CITY  
ANTHEM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,  
INC.; DOES I through X and ROE  
BUSINESSENTITIES I through X,  
inclusive,

Defendants.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC

Counter-Claimant,

vs.

JIMI JACK IRREVOCABLE TRUST;  
OPPORTUNITY HOMES, LLC, a Nevada  
limited liability company; F. BONDURANT,  
LLC, a Nevada limited liability company;  
DOES I through X, inclusive; and ROE  
CORPORATIONS XI through XX,  
inclusive,

Counter-Defendants.

NONA TOBIN, an individual, and Trustee  
of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST.

CASE NO.: A-15-720032-C

Dept. XXXI

**NOTICE OF ENTRY OF FINDINGS OF  
FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND  
ORDER**

1 Dated 8/22/08

2 Counter-Claimant,

3 vs.

4 JOEL A. STOKES and SANDRA F.  
5 STOKES, as trustees of the JIMI JACK  
IRREVOCABLE TRUST,

6 Counter-Defendants.

7 NONA TOBIN, an individual, and Trustee  
8 of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST.  
Dated 8/22/08

9 Cross-Claimant,

10 vs.

11 SUN CITY ANTHEM COMMUNITY  
12 ASSOCIATION, INC., DOES 1-10, AND  
ROE CORPORATIONS 1-10, inclusive,

13 Counter-Defendants.

14 NONA TOBIN, an individual, and Trustee  
15 of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST.  
Dated 8/22/08

16 Cross-Claimant,

17 vs.

18 OPPORTUNITY HOMES, LLC, THOMAS  
19 LUCAS, Manager,

20 Counter-Defendant.

21 NONA TOBIN, an individual, and Trustee  
22 of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST.  
Dated 8/22/08

23 Cross-Claimant,

24 vs.

25 YUEN K. LEE, an Individual, d/b/a  
26 Manager, F. BONDURANT, LLC,

27 Counter-Defendant.



**NOTICE OF ENTRY OF FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER**

Please take notice that the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed with this court on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2019, a copy of which is hereto attached as Exhibit "A".

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2019.

LIPSON NEILSON P.C.

*/s/ DAVID OCHOA*

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2019, service of the foregoing  
**NOTICE OF ENTRY OF FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER**  
to the Clerk's Office using the Odyssey E-File & Serve System for filing and transmittal  
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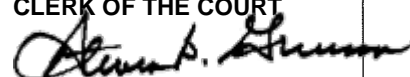
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*/s/ Juan Cerezo*

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# **EXHIBIT “A”**



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vs.

JIMI JACK IRREVOCABLE TRUST,

Counter-Defendant.

NONA TOBIN, Trustee of the GORDON  
B. HANSEN TRUST. Dated 8/22/08

Counter-Claimant,

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JOEL A. STOKES and SANDRA F.  
STOKES, as trustees of the JIMI JACK  
IRREVOCABLE TRUST, SUN CITY  
ANTHEM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

CASE NO.: A-15-720032-C

Dept. XXXI

**FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS  
OF LAW AND ORDER**

INC., YUEN K. LEE, an Individual, d/b/a/  
Manager, F. BONDURANT, LLC, and  
DOES 1-10, and ROE CORPORATIONS  
1-10, inclusive,

Counter-Defendants,

On September 3, 2019, the Court heard and considered the following Motions:

(1) Nona Tobin's Motion for a New Trial Per Rule 54(B) and RULE 59(1)(A)(B)(C)(F) ("Motion for New Trial");

(2) Nona Tobin's Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRS 38.310(2) ("Motion to Dismiss");

(3) Counterdefendants' Response to Nona Tobin's Motion for New Trial and Motion to Dismiss and Countermotion to Strike from the Record the Rogue Motions and for Attorney's Fees and Costs Pursuant to EDCR Rule 7.6(b)(1) and/or (3);

(4) Sun City Anthem Community Association's Joinder to Counterdefendants' Response and Sun City Anthem Community Association's Countermotion to Strike Notice of Lis Pendens, for a Vexatious Litigant Order, and for Attorney's Fees Pursuant to NRS 18.010 and EDCR 7.6.

Non Party Nona Tobin appeared on her own behalf; Joseph Hong, Esq. appeared for Counterdefendants Joel A Stokes and Sandra F. Stokes, as Trustees of the Jimijack Irrevocable Trust, Yuen K Lee and F. Dondurant, LLC; Kaleb Anderson, Esq. appeared for Sun City Anthem Community Association; and Donna Wittig, Esq. appeared for Nationstar Mortgage, LLC.

Being fully briefed, and the Court having considered the Motions, Oppositions, and Replies, and being fully advised in the premises, finds as follows:

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**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Nona Tobin, an individual, is not, and has never been, a party to this case.
2. Nona Tobin's involvement in this case is limited to her role as trustee of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST Dated 8/22/08.
3. Nona Tobin, as Trustee of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST Dated 8/22/08 is represented in this matter by Joe Coppedge Esq.
4. Despite pronouncements from this Court regarding Nona Tobin's status as a non-party in this matter, all parties to the case have perpetuated confusion as to Nona Tobin's status as a party by continuing to make reference to Nona Tobin, as an individual, as a party to the case.
5. Although this Court orally granted a Motion to Withdraw by Attorney Coppedge, no final Order was filed. Pursuant to *Division of Child and Family Services, Dept. of Human Resources, State of Nevada v. Eighth Judicial District Court ex rel. County of Clark*, 120 Nev. 445, 92 P.3d 1239 (2004), the oral pronouncement of the Court is ineffectual without a written, signed, and filed order.
6. On July 23, 2019, Nona Tobin, as Trustee of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST Dated 8/22/08 filed a Notice of Appeal.
7. On July 22, 2019, Nona Tobin, as an individual, filed a Motion for a New Trial Per Rule 54(B) and RULE 59(1)(A)(B)(C)(F).
8. On July 29, 2019, Nona Tobin, as an individual, filed a Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRS 38.310(2).
9. On August 7, 2019, Nona Tobin, as an individual, filed a Notice of Lis Pendens.

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**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Because she is not now, nor has she ever been, as party to this case, Nona Tobin is not authorized to file anything with this court in her individual capacity.
2. The only way Nona Tobin is involved in this matter is in her capacity as Trustee of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST Dated 8/22/08. In this capacity, she is represented by attorney Joe Coppedge, Esq..
3. Because she is not a party to the case, all documents filed with this Court by Nona Tobin as an individual, are rogue documents and are stricken from the record. This includes both the Motion to Dismiss and Motion for New Trial (and all oppositions or replies) and the Notice of Lis Pendens.
4. In addition to being stricken as rogue documents, the Motion to Dismiss and Motion for a New Trial denied under NRCP 62.1, as there is no <sup>basis for</sup> relief possible given the pending appeal <sup>and the lack of authority provided.</sup>
5. Counterdefendants have requested attorney's fees from Nona Tobin as part of their response to the Motion to Dismiss and Motion for a New Trial. Because <sup>inter alia</sup> the Court has no jurisdiction over Nona Tobin as an individual, <sup>the</sup> this Court has <sup>no basis provided, basis upon which fees could be assessed Agt her.</sup> no jurisdiction over her.
6. Further, all parties to the case have contributed to the confusion regarding Nona Tobin's (as an individual) status in the case, so this Court finds no basis for an award of attorney's fees.

**ORDER**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that non-party Nona Tobin's Motion for a New Trial Per Rule 54(B) and RULE 59(1)(A)(B)(C)(F) is stricken from the Record as a rogue document.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that non-party Nona Tobin's Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRS 38.310(2) is stricken from the Record as a rogue document.

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2 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that the Motion to  
3 expunge the lis pendens is GRANTED.

4 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that Counter  
5 defendants' Requests for Attorney's fees are denied without prejudice.

6 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that  
7 Counterdefendant Sun City Anthem Community Association's Counter Motion to have  
8 Nona Tobin deemed a vexation litigant is denied *without prejudice.*

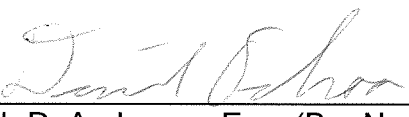
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**HONORABLE JOANNA KISHNER**

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# **EXHIBIT 4**

**Motion to Substitute Real Party In Interest  
and to Withdraw as Counsel of Record for  
Counterclaimant Nona Tobin On Order  
Shortening Time  
(Filed May 23, 2019)**

**EXHIBIT 4**

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10 **DISTRICT COURT**

11 **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

12 JOEL A. STOKES and SANDRA F.  
13 STOKES, as trustee of the JIMI JACK  
IRREVOCABLE TRUST,

14 Plaintiffs,  
15 vs.

16 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.;

17 Defendant.  
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19 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC,

20 Counter-Claimant,  
21 vs.

22 JIMI JACK IRREVOCABLE TRUST,  
23 Counter-Defendant.  
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Case No.: A-15-720032-C  
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Department: XXXI

**Hearing Requested**

**MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE REAL  
PARTY IN INTEREST AND TO  
WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL OF  
RECORD FOR COUNTERCLAIMANT  
NONA TOBIN ON ORDER  
SHORTENING TIME**

DEPARTMENT XXXI  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
DATE 5/29/19 TIME 0830 am  
APPROVED BY *JD*

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1 NONA TOBIN, an individual, and Trustee  
2 of the GORDON B. HANSEN TRUST.  
Dated 8/22/08

3 Counter-Claimant,  
4  
5 vs.

6 JOEL A. STOKES and SANDRA F.  
7 STOKES, as trustees of the JIMI JACK  
8 IRREVOCABLE TRUST, SUN CITY  
9 ANTHEM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,  
10 INC., YUEN K. LEE, an Individual, d/b/a  
Manager, F. BONDURANT, LLC, DOES 1-  
10, AND ROE CORPORATIONS 1-10,  
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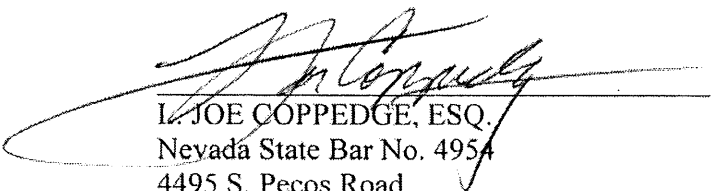
11 Counter-Defendants.

12 **MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE REAL PARTY IN INTEREST AND TO WITHDRAW AS**  
13 **COUNSEL OF RECORD FOR COUNTERCLAIMANT NONA TOBIN**  
14 **ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME**

15 The law firm of Mushkin Cica Coppedge, by and through their undersigned counsel,  
16 hereby move this Honorable Court for an Order substituting Nona Tobin, as an individual, as  
17 the real party in interest for Nona Tobin, as Trustee of the Gordon B. Hansen Trust dated  
18 9/22/08 (the "Trust") for all purposes in the action, and upon such substitution, allowing the law  
19 firm of Mushkin Cica Coppedge to withdraw as counsel of record for Counterclaimant Nona  
20 Tobin (the "Client"). This Motion is made and based upon the pleadings and papers of file  
21 herein, the Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the Declaration of Counsel, and any oral  
22 argument which may be deemed necessary by the Court upon the hearing of the instant Motion.

23 DATED this 17 day of May, 2019

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27 I, JOE COPPEDGE, ESQ.  
28 Nevada State Bar No. 4954  
4495 S. Pecos Road  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89121



1 following assertions are true to the best of my knowledge and belief;

2         3. I am advised and understand by Ms. Tobin that acting in her capacity as sole  
3 Trustee of the Gordon B. Hansen Trust dated 8/22/08 (the "Trust"), she recorded a deed  
4 transferring all the Trust's interest in the subject property to Nona Tobin, an individual, and that  
5 she then closed the Trust.

6         4. In this case, Counterclaimant Nona Tobin has requested that the law firm of  
7 Mushkin Cica Coppedge withdraw from her representation, so she can appear pro se for the  
8 remainder of this case;

9         5. I believe good cause for withdrawal exists;

10         6. I believe that withdrawal may be accomplished without material adverse effect  
11 on the interests of the Client and withdrawal will not result in any delay of trial or hearing of  
12 any other matter will result if this Motion is granted as Ms. Tobin as has advised the  
13 undersigned that she is prepared to proceed with the calendar call on May 23, 2019, the hearing  
14 on the Motion for Reconsideration scheduled for May 30, 2019 and the trial scheduled for June  
15 5 and 6, 2019;

16         7. There is insufficient time to have this matter heard in the ordinary course. As a  
17 result, Declarant respectfully requests that the Court set an expedited hearing on Motion to  
18 Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Counterclaimant Nona Tobin on Order Shortening Time on  
19 a shortened time basis prior to May 23, 2019 the date set for Calendar Call, as Counterclaimant  
20 Nona Tobin wishes to proceed pro se;

21         8. For the reasons stated above, I believe that the law firm of Mushkin Cica  
22 Coppedge should be permitted to withdraw as counsel of record for the Client and removed  
23 from any further responsibilities in this case;

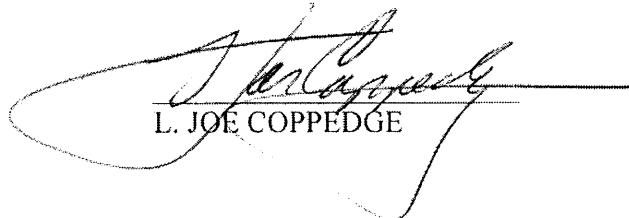
24         9. It is my intent to have the Client served with a copy of this motion as soon as it is  
25 filed and calendared for hearing at their last known address; and

26         10. The Client may also be served with notice of further proceedings at her last  
27 known address of 2664 Olivia Heights Avenue, Henderson, Nevada 89052 the Client's last  
28 known telephone number is 702-465-2199, and the Client's last known email address is

1 nonatobin@gmail.com.

2 Declarant states under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

3 Dated this 17 day of May, 2019.

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9 **POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

10 **A. Nona Tobin, as an individual should be substituted as the real party in interest for Nona Tobin, as Trustee for all purposes.**

11 Under NRCP 17, "An action must be prosecuted in the name of the real party in  
12 interest." As set forth in the Declaration of L. Joe Coppedge above, Ms. Tobin, acting in her  
13 capacity as sole Trustee of the Gordon B. Hansen Trust dated 8/22/08 (the "Trust"), recorded a  
14 deed transferring all the Trust's interest in the subject property to Nona Tobin, an individual,  
15 and then closed the Trust. Ms. Tobin, as an individual, is the real party in interest and this action  
16 should be prosecuted in her name only. As a result, Ms. Tobin, as an individual, should be  
17 substituted for Nona Tobin, as Trustee for all purposes in this case.

18 **B. The law firm of Mushkin Cica Coppedge should be allowed to withdraw.**

19 Rule 7.40 of the Eighth Judicial District Court Rules provides that when an attorney has  
20 appeared in an action on behalf of a party, the attorney may withdraw from representing that  
21 party only upon order of the court, granted upon written motion. Rule 7.40 provides, in  
22 pertinent part:

23 Appearances; substitutions; withdrawal or change of attorney.

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25 (b) Counsel in any case may be changed only:

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27 (2) When no attorney has been retained to replace the  
28 attorney withdrawing, by order of the court, granted upon  
written motion, and

1 (i) If the application is made by the attorney,  
2 the attorney must include in an affidavit the  
3 address, or last known address, at which the client  
4 may be served with notice of further proceedings  
5 taken in the case in the event the application for  
6 withdrawal is granted, and the telephone number,  
or last known telephone number, at which the  
client may be reached and the attorney must serve  
a copy of the application upon the client and all  
other parties to the action or their attorneys, or

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8 (c) No application for withdrawal or substitution may be  
9 granted if a delay of the trial or of the hearing of any other matter  
in the case would result.

10 Rule 1.16 of the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct further provides, in pertinent part:

11 NRPC 1.16. Declining or Terminating Representation.

12 (a) Except as stated in paragraph (c), a lawyer shall not  
13 represent a client or, where representation has commenced, shall  
withdraw from the representation of a client if:

14 \* \* \*

(3) The lawyer is discharged.

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16 (b) Except as stated in paragraph (c), a lawyer may withdraw  
from representing a client if:

17 (1) Withdrawal can be accomplished without material  
adverse effect on the interests of the client;

18 \* \* \*

19 (7) Other good cause for withdrawal exists.

20 (c) A lawyer must comply with applicable law requiring notice  
21 to or permission of a tribunal when terminating representation.  
22 When ordered to do so by a tribunal, a lawyer shall continue  
representation notwithstanding good cause for terminating the  
representation.

23 (d) Upon termination of representation, a lawyer shall take  
24 steps to the extent reasonably practicable to protect a client's  
25 interests, such as giving reasonable notice to the client, allowing  
26 time for employment of other counsel, surrendering papers and  
27 property to which the client is entitled and refunding any advance  
payment of fee or expense that has not been earned or incurred.  
The lawyer may retain papers relating to the client to the extent  
permitted by other law.

28 In this case, Nona Tobin, as an individual, has requested that the law firm of Mushkin



1 Cica Coppedge withdraw so she can proceed pro se for the remainder of this case. As a result,  
2 good cause for the withdrawal exists.

3 In meeting the aforementioned requirements, counsel will serve the Client and opposing  
4 counsel with a copy of this Motion. Counsel has included in the attached affidavit the address at  
5 which the Client may be served with notice of all further proceedings in this case. The client's  
6 last known address, phone number and email address have also been provided. Having complied  
7 with Rule 7.40 of the Eighth Judicial District Court Rules, Rule 1.16 of the Nevada Rules of  
8 Professional Conduct, and because of the reasons set forth in the attached Declaration of  
9 Counsel, both L. Joe Coppedge, Esq. and the law firm of Mushkin Cica Coppedge request that  
10 this Court enter its Order withdrawing them as attorneys of record for Counterclaimant Nona  
11 Tobin.

12 No delay of trial or of the hearing of any other matter will result if this Motion is  
13 granted.

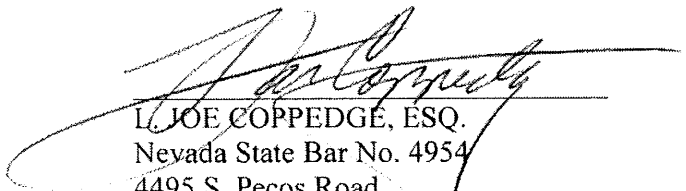
14 WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above and in the attached Declaration of  
15 Counsel, L. Joe Coppedge, Esq. and the law firm of Mushkin Cica Coppedge respectfully  
16 request that:

17 1. This Court enter an order allowing Michael R. Mushkin, L. Joe Coppedge and  
18 the law firm of Mushkin Cica Coppedge to withdraw as counsel of record for Counterclaimant  
19 Nona Tobin; and further that

20 2. The names of Michael R. Mushkin, L. Joe Coppedge and the law firm of  
21 Mushkin Cica Coppedge, their business address, and email addresses be removed from the  
22 service list in this case as a representative of Counterclaimant Nona Tobin.

23 DATED this 17 day of May, 2019

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing **Motion to Substitute Real Party in Interest and To Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Counterclaimant Nona Tobin On Order Shortening Time** was submitted electronically for filing and/or service with the Eighth Judicial District Court on this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2019. Electronic service of the foregoing document shall be upon all parties listed on the Odyssey eFileNV service contact list:

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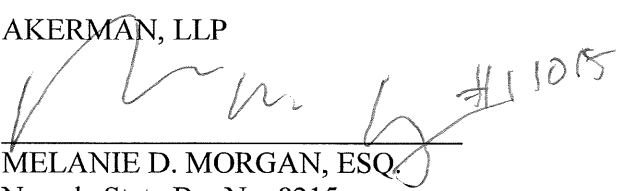
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13 inclusive,

14 Counter-Defendants.

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16 RECEIPT OF COPY of Motion to Substitute Real Party in Interest and To Withdraw as  
17 Counsel of Record for Counterclaimant Nona Tobin On Order Shortening Time is hereby  
18 acknowledged this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2019, at 2:18 pm.

19 AKERMAN, LLP

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22 Nevada State Bar No. 8215

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# **EXHIBIT 5**

**Court Minutes  
(All Pending Motions; May 29, 2019)**

**EXHIBIT 5**

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**REGISTER OF ACTIONS**  
**CASE No. A-15-720032-C**

Joel Stokes, Plaintiff(s) vs. Bank of America NA, Defendant(s)

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**RELATED CASE INFORMATION**

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**PARTY INFORMATION**

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|                   |                                           | Lead Attorneys                                          |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Counter Claimant  | Gordon B. Hansen Trust Dated 8/22/08      |                                                         |
| Counter Claimant  | Nationstar Mortgage, LLC                  | Melanie D. Morgan<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-634-5000(W) |
| Counter Claimant  | Tobin, Nona                               | Pro Se                                                  |
| Counter Defendant | Stokes, Joel A                            | Joseph Y. Hong<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-870-1777(W)    |
| Counter Defendant | Stokes, Sandra F                          | Joseph Y. Hong<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-870-1777(W)    |
| Cross Claimant    | Gordon B. Hansen Trust Dated 8/22/08      |                                                         |
| Cross Claimant    | Tobin, Nona                               | Pro Se                                                  |
| Cross Defendant   | Lee, Yuen K.                              |                                                         |
| Cross Defendant   | Sun City Anthem Community Association Inc | David A. Clark<br><i>Retained</i><br>7023822200(W)      |
| Defendant         | Bank of America NA                        | Dana J. Nitz<br><i>Retained</i><br>702-475-7964(W)      |
| Defendant         | Sun City Anthem Community Association Inc | David A. Clark<br><i>Retained</i><br>7023822200(W)      |

**Plaintiff**      **JimiJack Irrevocable Trust****Joseph Y. Hong**  
*Retained*  
702-870-1777(W)

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**EVENTS & ORDERS OF THE COURT**

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05/29/2019 **All Pending Motions** (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Kishner, Joanna S.)  
*All Pending Motions (5/29/2019)*

**Minutes**

05/29/2019 8:30 AM

- Mr. Mushkin not present. Court stated a call was received in Chambers that one of the parties was stuck in traffic this morning. Court TRAILED and RECALLED matter at 8:30 A.M. Upon Court's inquiry, the parties in Court confirmed not receiving any updates from opposing counsel. Mr. Hong requested to go forward with the hearing. Court TRAILED matter to call another case on Calendar. CASE RECALLED. Mr. Mushkin present in Court. CROSS-CLAIMANT NONA TOBIN'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION Court addressed preliminary matters, history of the case, and the Motion. COURT ORDERED, any representation about Nona Tobin being an individual party in the case is STRICKEN. Court also addressed the order issued in April, 2019. Court noted the name of the trust is unclear, and both of the names of the trusts on the captions of various pleadings list different numbers. Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, Motion DENIED. MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE REAL PARTY IN INTEREST AND TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL OF RECORD FOR COUNTERCLAIMANT NONA TOBIN ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME At request of counsel, COURT ORDERED, Motion TAKEN OFF CALENDAR. Mr. Ochoa to prepare the order.

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