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8	ZION GARDENS LLC, a Nevada limited liability company,
9	Plaintiffs,
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21	TAXATION; DOES 1 through 10; and ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 10,
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25	Intervenor Defendant. HIGH SIERRA HOLISTICS, LLC,
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26	vs.
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#### GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S NOTICE OF APPEAL

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4	Nevada limited liability company, Intervenor Defendant.	
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15	the law firm McLetchie Law, pursuant to Ne	evada Rule of Appella
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- (5) Compassionate Team of Las Vegas LLC v. Nevada Department of Taxation, Case No. A-18-786357-W; and
- (6) High Sierra Holistics LLC v. State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Case No. A-19-787726-C.

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- 6. **Attorneys not licensed to practice law in Nevada:** None.
- 7. Whether appellant was represented by appointed or retained counsel in the district court: Appellant was represented by retained counsel in the district court.
- 8. Whether appellant is represented by appointed or retained counsel on appeal: Appellant is represented by retained counsel on appeal.
- 9. Whether appellant was granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis: N/A.
  - 10. **Date the proceedings commenced in the district court:** January 4, 2019.
- 11. A brief description of the nature of the action and result in the district court, including the type of judgment or order being appealed and the relief granted by the district court: Respondents filed Complaint (Business Court) on January 4, 2019 and a Motion for Preliminary Injunction on March 19, 2019. Appellant GreenMart was granted invention and filed its Answer on April 16, 2019. Pursuant to the district court's order entered on July 11, 2019, this case was coordinated with five other lawsuits regarding the State of Nevada Department of Taxation's procedures for awarding marijuana retail store licenses in

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December 2018. Between May 24, 2019 and August 16, 2019, the Honorable Judge Gonzalez heard a twenty (20) day evidentiary hearing on the Motion for Preliminary Injunction. On August 23, 2019 the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law Granting Preliminary Injunction was filed and on August 28, 2019 the Notice of Entry of Order was entered.

- 12. Whether the case has previously been the subject of an appeal to or original writ proceeding in the Supreme Court and, if so, the caption and Supreme Court docket number of the prior proceeding: N/A.
- 13. Whether the appeal involves child custody or visitation: This case does not involve child custody or visitation.
- 14. **In civil cases, whether the appeal involves the possibility of settlement:**Mediation has been ongoing with Honorable Judge (ret.) Jennifer Togliatti to no avail.
  Counsel for appellant GreenMart does not think that this matter is appropriate for settlement.

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Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth
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**CASE INFORMATION** 

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Case Type: Other Business Court Matters

Case Status: 01/04/2019 Open

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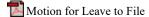
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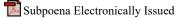
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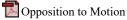
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05/23/2019	Disclosure Statement  Party: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Henderson, LLC; Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC; Counter Claimant Commerce Park Medical, LLC; Counter Claimant Cheyenne Medical, LLC  Amended Pre-Hearing Disclosure Statement and Notice of Compliance
05/23/2019	Notice Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Privilege and Confidentiality Log
05/23/2019	Order Granting Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC Defendant/Intervenor, Clear River, LLC's, Order Granting In Part and Denying in Part Motion For Protective Order
05/23/2019	NRCP 16.1 Initial List of Witnesses and Documents  MM Development Company, Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Initial List of Witnesses and  Documents for Preliminary Injunction Hearing
05/23/2019	Notice Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Notice of Compliance
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05/23/2019	Objection Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Objections to Plaintiffs' Witnesses
05/23/2019	List of Witnesses  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant Paradise Wellness Center, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC  Plaintiffs' Initial List of Witnesses and Documents for Preliminary Injunction Hearing

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05/24/2019	Supplement to List of Witnesses & Documents  Party: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant Paradise Wellness Center, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC  Plaintiffs' Amended List of Witnesses and Documents For Preliminary Injunction Hearing
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05/24/2019	Order Filed By: Other MM Development Company, Inc.; Other LivFree Wellness, LLC Protective Order Regarding Marijuana Applications
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05/28/2019	Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant Paradise Wellness Center, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC  Serenity Wellness Center, LLC, et al.'s Joinder to Plaintiff ETW Management Group LLC, et al. Motion to Compel and for Sanctions on Order Shortening Time Filed in ETW Management Group LLC, et al. v. State of Nevada Department of Taxation
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05/28/2019	Motion for Protective Order Filed By: Subpoena'd (Non) Party Connor, Amanda N Motion for a Protective Order on Order Shortening Time
05/30/2019	Transcript of Proceedings  Transcript of Proceedings: Status Conference
05/30/2019	Affidavit of Service  Affidavit of Service
06/03/2019	Answer Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc DEFENDANT HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC. S ANSWER TO COMPLAINT
06/05/2019	Motion for Summary Judgment  Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc  DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC. S MOTION  FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)

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06/05/2019	Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC  Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure
06/05/2019	Motion Filed By: Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC; Counter Claimant Commerce Park Medical, LLC; Counter Claimant Cheyenne Medical, LLC Intervening Defendants Motion to Dissolve Temporary Restraining Order on an Order Shortening Time
06/07/2019	Joinder to Motion For Partial Summary Judgment Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)
06/10/2019	Supplement  Filed by: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant Paradise Wellness Center, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC  Plaintiffs' Supplemental Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support of Motion for Preliminary Injunction
06/10/2019	Brief Filed By: Defendant State of Nevada Department of Taxation Pocket Brief Regarding The Meaning Of The Phrase All Regulations Necessary Or Convenient To Carry Out The Provisions Of
06/11/2019	Order  Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part Motion for a Protective Order on Order  Shortening Time
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06/13/2019	Transcript of Proceedings  Transcript of Proceedings: Hearing on Intervenor Defendants' Motion to Dissolve TRO or To Increase Bond
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06/14/2019	Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure  Filed By: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC  Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure (NRS Chapter 19)
06/14/2019	Answer and Counterclaim  Defendants' Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint with Counterclaim
06/17/2019	Joinder to Motion For Summary Judgment Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC

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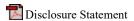
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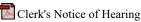
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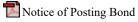
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Notice of Hearing

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#### Motion to Release

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Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment

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#### Supplement

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06/24/2019	Order Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Order Setting Hearing on Motion to Release Cash Bond
06/24/2019	Notice of Entry Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Notice of Entry of Order Setting Hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion to Release Cash Bond
06/24/2019	Opposition to Motion Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC Clear River, LLC's Opposition To Plaintiffs' Motion To Release Cash Bond
06/24/2019	Joinder To Motion  Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC  Clear River, LLC's Joinder To Defendant-Intervenor Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Pocket  Brief Regarding Interpretation of Statutes Enacted by Ballot Iniative
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06/25/2019	Initial Expert Disclosure Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure
06/25/2019	Transcript of Proceedings  Transcript of Proceedings: Evidentiary Hearing - Day 8, Volume I
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06/27/2019	Notice of Posting Bond Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Notice of Posting Corrected Bond
06/27/2019	Motion for Leave to File Party: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint
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06/28/2019	Motion to Amend Complaint  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC  Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint on Order Shortening Time
07/01/2019	Opposition  Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC  Clear River, LLC's Opp to Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint on an OST
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07/01/2019	Joinder to Opposition to Motion  Filed by: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC  Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor  Clear River LLC's Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint on an Order Shortening Time
07/01/2019	Opposition  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant Paradise Wellness Center, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC PLAINTIFFS OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC. S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)
07/03/2019	Amended Complaint Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC (7/3/19 Withdrawn) First Amended Complaint
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07/17/2019	Reply Filed by: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC. S REPLY TO PLAINTIFFS AND JOINDERS IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT
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07/26/2019	Notice of Hearing Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC Notice of Hearing re: Motion to Release Funds
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07/31/2019	Notice of Appearance Party: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC Notice of Appearance
08/01/2019	Application  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC  Application for Temporary Restraining Order on an Order Shortening Time
08/02/2019	Opposition Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC's Opposition to Application for Temporary Restraining Order on and Order Shortening Time
08/06/2019	Transcript of Proceedings  Transcript of Proceedings: Hearing on Application for Temporary Restraining Order and Scheduling Conference
08/07/2019	Motion  Filed By: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Henderson, LLC; Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC; Counter Claimant Commerce Park Medical, LLC; Counter Claimant Cheyenne Medical, LLC  Intervening Defendant's Motion to Dissolve Temporary Restraining Order, or, Alternatively, Increase The Bond Amount on Order Shortening Time
08/08/2019	Application Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Application for Temporary Restraining Order on an Order Shortening Time
08/09/2019	Notice of Posting Bond Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Notice of Posting Bond

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08/14/2019	Order Granting Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Order Granting Application for Temporary Restraining Order
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08/14/2019	Notice of Entry of Order  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC  Notice of Entry of Order Granting Plaintiffs' Application for Temporary Restraining Order
08/14/2019	Notice of Entry of Order  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC  Notice of Entry of Order Granting Plaintiffs' Application for Temporary Restraining Order
08/14/2019	Brief Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC's Pocket Brief Regarding the Interpretation of NRS 453D.200 (6) and the Mandate to Conduct Background Checks of Each Owner of an Applicant for a Recreational Marijuana License
08/14/2019	Order Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Restraining Order
08/14/2019	Order Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part Plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Restraining Order
08/14/2019	Trial Memorandum  Filed by: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Henderson, LLC; Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC; Counter Claimant Commerce Park Medical, LLC; Counter Claimant Cheyenne Medical, LLC  Intervening Defendants' 7.27 Trial Memorandum
08/14/2019	Brief Filed By: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC The Essence Entities' Bench Brief

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08/14/2019	Errata Filed By: Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC Errata to Intervening Defendants' 7.27 Trial Memorandum
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08/15/2019	Memorandum Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Trial Memorandum
08/15/2019	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Notice of Entry of Orders
08/15/2019	Brief Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC LONE MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC S SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITIES FOR CLOSING ARGUMENTS
08/15/2019	Brief State of Nevada Ex REl. Department of Taxation's Pocket Brief Ahead of Closing Arguments
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08/15/2019	Opposition to Motion  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC  Plaintiffs Opposition To Intervening Defendants Motion To Dissolve Temporary Restraining  Order, Or, Alternatively, Increase The Bond Amount On An Order Shortening Time
08/16/2019	Opposition to Motion  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC  Plaintiffs' (Corrected) Opposition To Intervening Defendants Motion To Dissolve Temporary Restraining Order, Or, Alternatively, Increase The Bond Amount On An Order Shortening Time
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08/26/2019	Objection  MM Development Company, Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6)
08/26/2019	Response  Filed by: Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC  Lone Mountain Partners, LLC'S Response to the Department of Taxation's Submission Regarding Completeness of Application in Compliance With NRS 453D.200(6)
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08/26/2019	Response  Filed by: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc  Defendant Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Response and Objection To The  State Of Nevada s Submission To The Court On Completeness As To Applications Pertaining  To NRS 453D.200(6)
08/26/2019	Appendix  MM Development Company, Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Appendix in Support of Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS453D.200(6), Vol. 1
08/26/2019	Appendix  MM Development Company, Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Appendix in Support of Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS453D.200(6) Vol. 2
08/26/2019	Media Request and Order  Media Request And Order Allowing Camera Access To Court Proceedings

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08/26/2019	Brief Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC Defendant Intervenor Clear RiverLLC's Bence Brief Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6)
08/26/2019	Errata Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc Errata to Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc. s Response and Objection to the State of Nevada s Submission to the Court on Completeness as to Applications Pertaining to NRS 453D.200(6)
08/26/2019	Motion  Plaintiff Nevada Wellness Center s Motion Regarding Compliance With Physical Address Requirements of NRS453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D.265(1)(B), and NAC 453D.268(2)(E) on Order Shortening Time
08/27/2019	Errata Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC Clear RIver, LLC -Notice of Errata re Affidavit of Robert R. Black, Sr.
08/27/2019	Supplement  Filed by: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC  Nevada Organic Remedies' Limited Supplement in Response to MM Development company,  Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness's Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS  453D.200(6)
08/27/2019	Joinder Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Joinder to Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC's Response to the Department of Taxation's Statement Regarding Completeness of Applications with Reference to NRS 453D.200(6)
08/27/2019	Joinder  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC Plaintiff's Joinder to MM Development Company, Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness Center, LLC's Objection to The State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6)
08/28/2019	Opposition to Motion Filed By: Defendant State of Nevada Department of Taxation Opposition to Plaintiff Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Regarding Compliance with Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453D.210(5)(b), NAC 453D.264(1)(b), and NAC 453D.268(2) (e) on Order Shortening Time
08/28/2019	Notice of Entry Filed By: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Henderson, LLC Notice Of Entry
08/28/2019	Opposition  Filed By: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Henderson, LLC

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Joinder to Opposition to Motion

Filed by: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC

Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant State of Nevada Department of Taxation's Opposition to Plaintiff Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Regarding Compliance with Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453D.210(5)(b), NAC 453D.264(1) (b), and NAC 453D.268(2)(e) on Order Shortening Time

08/28/2019

Joinder to Opposition to Motion

Filed by: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC

Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant in Intervention Essence's Opposition to Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Re Compliance with Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453D.210(5)(b), NAC 453D.265(1)(b), and NAC 453D.268(2) (e) on Order Shortening Time

08/28/2019

Motion to Strike

Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC

Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Motion to Strike MM Development Company, Inc. and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Objection to State s Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) on Order Shortening Time

08/28/2019

Joinder to Opposition to Motion

Filed by: Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC

Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Joinder to Essence's Opposition to Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Re Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D.265(1)(B), and NAC 453D.268(2)(E) on Order Shortening Time

08/28/2019

🔼 Errata

MM Development Company, Inc.'s and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Notice of Errata to Appendix in Support of Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6)

08/28/2019

Joinder to Opposition to Motion

Filed by: Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC

Thrive's Joinder to Essence's Opposition to Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Re Compliance with Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D.265(1)(B), and NAC 453D.268(2)(E)

08/28/2019

🔼 Joinder

Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc

Defendant Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc's Joinder to Nevada Organic Remedies LLC's Response to the Department of Taxation's Statement Regarding Completeness of Application with Reference to NRS 153D.200(6)

08/28/2019

Joinder

Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc

Defendant Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc's Joinder to Defendant State of Nevada Department of Taxation's Opposition to Plaintiff Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Regarding Compliance With Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453.D210(5), NAC 453D.264(1)(B), and NAC 453.D268(2)(E) on Order Shortening Time

08/28/2019

Joinder

Filed By: Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc

Defendant Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc's Joinder to Essence's Opposition to Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Re Compliance with Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453.D210(5)(B), NAC 453D.265(1)(B), and NAC 453D.268(2)(E)

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08/29/2019	Receipt Receipt of Hearing Exhibits
08/29/2019	Receipt Receipt of Hearing Exhibits
08/30/2019	Order Granting  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC Order Granting Plaintiffs' Motion to Release Cash Bond
08/30/2019	Notice of Entry of Order  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC; Counter Defendant TGIG, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC; Counter Defendant GBS Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant Gravitas Nevada, LLC; Counter Defendant Nevada Pure, LLC; Counter Defendant Medifarm, LLC; Counter Defendant Tryke Companies Reno, LLC Notice of Entry of Order Granting Plaintiffs' Motion to Release Cash Bond
09/03/2019	Business Court Order  Business Court Order
09/03/2019	Transcript of Proceedings  Transcript of Proceedings: Hearing on Objections to State's Response, Nevada Wellness  Center's Motion Re Compliance Re Physical Address, And Bond Amount Setting
09/05/2019	Media Request and Order  Media Request And Order Allowing Camera Access To Court Proceedings
09/06/2019	Discovery Case Plan Report Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Joint Expedited Discovery Statement
09/06/2019	Objection Filed By: Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Tropicana, LLC; Counter Claimant Essence Henderson, LLC The Essence Entities' Objection To Joint Expedited Discovery Statement
09/09/2019	Joinder Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant in Intervention The Essence Entities' Objection to Joint Expedited Discovery Statement
09/12/2019	Notice of Firm Name Change Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Notice Of Change of Firm Affiliation and Address
09/12/2019	Joinder To Motion  Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC; Counter Defendant GBS  Nevada Partners, LLC; Counter Defendant Fidelis Holdings, LLC; Counter Defendant

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	Gravitas Nevada, LLC Joinder to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel on Order Shortening Time
09/13/2019	Notice of Posting Bond Filed By: Other MM Development Company, Inc. Notice of Posting Bond
09/16/2019	Motion to Release Filed By: Counter Claimant CPCM Holdings, LLC Motion to Release Surety Bond
09/17/2019	Clerk's Notice of Hearing  Notice of Hearing
09/17/2019	Transcript of Proceedings  Transcript of Proceedings: Hearing on Motion to Compel Attendance at Settlement  Conference and Mandatory Rule 16 Conference
09/17/2019	Demand Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Demand for Settlement
09/18/2019	Notice of Withdrawal Filed By: Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Notice of Withdrawal of Demand for Settlement
09/19/2019	Scheduling and Trial Order  Business Court Scheduling Order and Order Setting Civil Jury Trial, Pre-Trial Conference and Calendar Call
09/19/2019	Notice of Appeal Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC's Notice of Appeal
09/19/2019	Case Appeal Statement Filed By: Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC's Case Appeal Statement
09/19/2019	Amended Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Amended Notice of Entry of Order
09/19/2019	Notice of Appeal  Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC  Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Notice of Appeal
09/19/2019	Case Appeal Statement Filed By: Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Case Appeal Statement
03/01/2019	HEARINGS  Motion to Intervene (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Motion Granted;

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#### Journal Entry Details:

Upon review of the papers and pleadings on file in this Matter, as proper service has been provided, this Court notes no opposition has been filed. Accordingly, pursuant to EDCR 2.20 (e) the Motion to Intervene is deemed unopposed. Therefore, good cause appearing, COURT ORDERED, motion is GRANTED. Moving Counsel is to prepare and submit an order within ten (10) days and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved in this matter. CLERK'S NOTE: Counsel are to ensure a copy of the forgoing minute order is distributed to all interested parties; additionally, a copy of the foregoing minute order was distributed to the registered service recipients via Odyssey eFileNV E-Service (3/1/19 amn).;

#### 03/19/2019



Minute Order (8:48 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Minute Order Striking Motion filed on March 18, 2019

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

Court noted the Motion for Preliminary Injunction filed on March 18, 2019 does not contain a "request for hearing" in compliance with Administrative Order 19-03. As such the motion is STRICKEN and may be resubmitted in compliance with the administrative order. CLERK'S *NOTE:* A copy of this minute order was distributed via the E-Service List. / dr 3-19-19;

#### 03/20/2019



Minute Order (9:32 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Minute Order Striking Motion to Intervene filed March 19, 2019

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

The Motion to Intervene as Defendants filed on March 19, 2019 does not contain a "request for hearing" in compliance with Administrative Order 19-03. As such the motion is STRICKEN and may be resubmitted in compliance with the administrative order. CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was distributed to the parties via electronic mail. / dr 3-20-19;

#### 04/01/2019

Motion to Intervene (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 03/25/2019 Motion to Intervene

Lone Mountain Partners, LLC s Motion to Intervene on Order Shortening Time Granted:

#### 04/01/2019

Motion to Intervene (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Integral Associates LLC's Ex Parte Motion for Order Shortening Time on Motion to Intervene as Defendants

Granted;

#### 04/01/2019



All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

LONE MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC S MOTION TO INTERVENE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...INTEGRAL ASSOCIATES LLC'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION TO INTERVENE AS DEFENDANTS Court inquired about the State of Nevada, Defendant. Mr. Savarese stated he does not know why they are not here; they have not filed an answer to the complaint nor a response to the motion for preliminary injunction. Mr. Koch advised he spoke with the Attorney General's Office on Wednesday; there are multiple cases similar to this one, and the Attorney General's Office has appeared on one of them and filed a motion to dismiss; there are service issues; when he spoke with counsel on Wednesday he indicated he had not received the motion for preliminary injunction. Mr. Koch added that he filed a motion to strike the motion for preliminary injunction based on the number of pages and on the timing. Mr. Savarese advised the State has been served with both the complaint and the motion for preliminary injunction; this week he is planning to file a response to the motion to strike. Court encouraged the parties to get together and as a group be satisfied with the briefing on any motion for preliminary injunction so there is only one hearing; the Court will not have seriatim motions for preliminary injunction. Court informed Mr. Savarese he may submit an ex parte application for leave to extend the page limit. Mr. Savarese replied he will do so in a day or two. Mr. Koch noted the opposition to the motion for preliminary injunction is due tomorrow. COURT ORDERED, both motions to intervene GRANTED. Proposed orders signed in open court and returned to Ms. Butler and Mr. Hone respectively for filing. 4-15-19 9:00 AM MOTION TO STRIKE PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION TO CONTINUE THE HEARING ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ON ORDER

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SHORTENING TIME 4-22-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION CLERK'S NOTE: Motion to Intervene filed by Integral on March 20, 2019 and SET for April 26, 2019 VACATED as a duplicate of today's motion. A copy of this minute order was placed in the attorney folder for the Office of the Attorney General. / dr 4-1-19;

04/08/2019

Motion to Intervene (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 04/01/2019 Motion to Intervene

Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion to Intervene as Defandants

Granted:

04/08/2019

Motion to Intervene (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 04/02/2019 Motion to Intervene

GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Motion to Intervene on Order Shortening Time

Granted:

04/08/2019



All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

#### MINUTES

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S MOTION TO INTERVENE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC.'S MOTION TO INTERVENE AS DEFENDANTS Counsel for Plaintiff not present at call of the case. Matter TRAILED. Matter RECALLED with Mr. Savarese appearing by telephone. Court NOTED it has also been assigned A787004-B and asked how many cases there are about the transparency of the process with the Nevada Department of Taxation. Mr. Gutierrez advised there are 7; there is a case or are cases pending before Judge Barker that are not business court cases. Court noted it is trying to determine how many there are, since the State has not been involved and Mr. Savarese indicated last time that the State would be trying to dismiss, so the parties are not litigating in all these departments. Mr. Savarese advised he is only aware of Judge Barker having one or more matters before him but he is not aware of any others. Court noted Plaintiff is making a constitutional challenge, which is why the Court is trying to identify the cases to see if it is appropriate to pull the non-business court cases into business court for purposes of case management. COURT DIRECTED all counsel to research those cases and email the Law Clerk. Mr. Savarese advised he spoke with counsel for the Department of Taxation on Friday, he believes, and he mentioned the Court was concerned about the State's non-appearance, but the State is aware of this litigation and also suggested the matters perhaps be consolidated before Judge Barker. Court noted it has previously happened, such as in CityCenter, that non-business court cases were pulled into business court. COURT ORDERED, matter SET for status check on April 15 regarding the information. COURT ORDERED, today's motions to intervene GRANTED. Mr. Savarese further advised he owes the Court a motion to exceed his page limit. 4-15-19 9:00 AM MOTION TO STRIKE PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION TO CONTINUE THE HEARING ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...STATUS CHECK 5-6-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION:

#### SCHEDULED HEARINGS

Status Check (04/15/2019 at 9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

04/15/2019

CANCELED Motion to Strike (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Vacated - per Stipulation and Order

Motion to Strike Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction, or, in the alternative, Motion to Continue the Hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for a Preliminary Injunction on Order Shortening

Status Check (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard:

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04/15/2019

Motion for Leave (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion for Leave to File Brief in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction in Excess of Thirty (30) Pages in Length or in the Alternative for Leave to File Amended Brief Not to Exceed Thirty (30) Pages in Length

Granted;

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All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

STATUS CHECK...PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION IN EXCESS OF THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED BRIEF NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH Matter heard with A-19-787004-B ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation. Attorney Adam Bult, counsel for Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B also present. Mr. Gentile appeared by telephone. STATUS CHECK: Court thanked counsel for the email identifying all the related cases. Colloguy regarding the DH Flamingo case, A-19-787035-C. Court noted it was included in the list. Counsel further advised a stipulation will be submitted to the Court moving the Motion for Preliminary Injunction two weeks from May 6. Mr. Savarese noted they have not yet agreed. Court advised it will be out of the jurisdiction on May 20 so it can hear the motion on May 13, June 3, or May 24. Per parties' agreement, a stipulation will be submitted moving the motion for preliminary injunction to May 24. PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION IN EXCESS OF THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED BRIEF NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH: COURT ORDERED, Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion for Leave to File Brief in Excess of Thirty Pages ADVANCED from May 17, 2019 in chambers to today's date. COURT NOTED it would normally not grant this motion; however, the Court GRANTS Plaintiff's motion for leave because of the complexity of the issues. 4-22-19 9:00 AM STATUS CHECK 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION CLERK'S NOTE: Minutes updated to reflect that the Motion for Preliminary Injunction is now on May 24th, as reflected above and entered in Odyssey, per the parties' agreement in court on April 15. / dr 4-17-19;

04/22/2019

CANCELED Motion to Intervene (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Vacated - Set in Error

Motion to Intervene as Defendants

04/22/2019

Status Check (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

Mr. Kahn participated by telephone. Also present in court: A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department IX case): Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs A-18-786357-W -Compassionate Team of Las Vegas LLC vs. Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XIV case): Attorney Daniel Simon for the Plaintiff A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case): Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs A-19-787035-C - D H Flamingo Inc vs. State Ex Rel Department of Taxation (Department VI case); Attorney Kelly Stout for the Plaintiffs A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff A-19-787726-C - High Sierra Holistics vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XIV case) Attorney James Puzey for the Plaintiff COURT advised today is a scheduling conference; these matters have been put on calendar because this Court has the lowest business court case and the motion for preliminary injunction. Mr. Kemp advised there are also cases in Washoe County and Lyon County; MM Development is the lowest case of all the cases locally; it is assigned to Department IX and has been administered by senior judges, although he understands Judge Silva will be the new judge in Department IX; he had informed Mr. Werbicky that they would not be opposed to coordination in general; however, the problem is that some cases are not in business court and they have a lot of missing parties; he will be filing an answer in a different case, and the proposition there is that even after a motion for coordination is granted a peremptory challenge may be filed; every time you coordinate you get a new bump which violates 48.1; the only way around that is to have a stipulation between all parties to go to one judge and keep that judge. Court stated its goal is to get the preliminary injunction hearing in the instant case finished and since this Court's ruling may affect all the people here today the Court is inviting everyone to participate; the Court is not consolidating the cases for the exact reason that counsel is identifying which could result in multiple things down the road. Mr. Kemp advised he supports the motion for preliminary injunction and can participate and submit briefing through Mr. Gentile; he points that out because they are already in the discovery process and have taken 6 depositions. At Ms. Stout's request for clarification, Court stated that at this point it is only planning to coordinate for purposes of the

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preliminary injunction hearing because of the primarily constitutional and business issue that is woven throughout all the cases. Mr. Bult advised he is probably in the same spot as Mr. Kemp and will help Mr. Gentile. Court noted if everyone is going to be relying on Mr. Gentile then that means all will be asking questions at the preliminary injunction hearing, which will triple the time if there are going to be witnesses. Mr. Bult further advised his only concern right now is a briefing schedule. Mr. Parker advised they were before the Discovery Commissioner a week and a half ago, and Nevada Wellness received a report and recommendation in their favor allowing them certain discovery; so, they may submit briefing which includes that additional discovery. Mr. Bhirud stated he would prefer to respond to one opposition although he would rather not have 7 different rulings either. As to whether parties will have witnesses at the hearing, Court stated it will be up to counsel. Mr. Bhirud added he would prefer that one or two attorneys on the Plaintiffs' side take the lead. Mr. Koch advised they had stipulated to May 2nd for the opposition; he is not sure if with regards to the hearing fact witnesses would help, because the motion for preliminary injunction as written is really legal argument regarding statutes. Court noted its only concern is that it was unclear when it read the briefing - because it stopped reading before granting a motion to exceed page limit if there is an argument that it is unconstitutional as applied, if that is the case, they probably need witnesses. Upon Mr. Puzey s inquiry, Court stated it does not intend to have the cases in Washoe and Lyon counties come here unless those judges want it to; if those judges and parties want to participate this Court will be happy to have them participate on May 24th; the cases here have the approval of the Chief Judge for coordination given the status of some of the departments they are assigned to. Mr. Bhirud advised the State will stipulate to bring those cases here. Mr. Puzey replied they are not yet prepared to enter into that stipulation today. Court stated it will let counsel discuss that amongst themselves. Mr. Kemp further advised there are two applications pending in Reno for new licenses which are currently not on the Washoe County agenda but could be put on the agenda on 5 days' notice; there is some concern that they could be heard as early as next week, which would be before the preliminary injunction hearing; if noticed, they will ask Mr. Gentile to take appropriate action here to prevent those applications from becoming somehow moot. Court stated counsel can do whatever they want; the Court will sign an OST. Ms. Stout requested further clarification; her clients have sought slightly different relief and she wants to clarify whether the action that would be taken with respect to the motion for preliminary injunction here would not prevent other parties from seeking a preliminary injunction in other cases. Court stated yes if seeking on a different basis, but if the same basis as the instant case then it would be done here. Colloguy between Court and counsel regarding briefing. Per parties' STIPULATION, COURT ORDERED: Other Plaintiffs to make a decision by May 6, 2019 on whether they are formally joining the motion for preliminary injunction and adding to some of the facts and raising new issues; Opposition DUE by May 9, 2019; Reply brief DUE by May 22, 2019 at noon. Ms. Stout advised that to the extent this proceeding would prevent her clients from raising a preliminary injunction seeking similar relief later on they would have to OBJECT under EDCR 2.50 and 1.61. COURT SO NOTED. Mr. Bhirud inquired as to whether the Court would prefer to have a motion for preliminary injunction by D H Flamingo filed here. COURT NOTED, if something happens and counsel thinks it needs to be done differently; no one has filed a formal motion to coordinate or consolidate. The Court has invited participation in the preliminary injunction hearing of all interested parties in order to avoid potentially conflicting rulings. COURT FURTHER NOTED that on May 6th, the date for the other Plaintiff's elections, if there are any other issues that are unanticipated or beyond the pale the Court can discuss those with the parties on a conference call; if there are any discovery disputes that relate to the preliminary injunction hearing the Court can also do this on a conference call. After the May 24th hearing matter will be set for Rule 16 conference. 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION:

04/26/2019

CANCELED Motion to Intervene (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Vacated - Duplicate Entry

05/02/2019

Motion to Intervene (1:14 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Clear River, LLC's Motion to Intervene on Order Shortening Time Granted;

Journal Entry Details:

Motion ADVANCED from May 6, 2019. COURT ORDERED, given the non-opposition filed on May 1, 2019, pursuant to EDCR 2.23, the Court decides this matter without the necessity of oral argument. Upon review of the papers and pleadings on file in this Matter, as proper service has been provided, this Court notes no opposition has been filed. Accordingly, pursuant to EDCR 2.20(e) the Motion to Intervene is deemed unopposed. Therefore, good cause appearing, COURT ORDERED, motion is GRANTED. Moving Counsel to prepare and submit

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an order within ten (10) days and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved in this matter. 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was distributed via electronic mail. / dr 5-2-19;

05/13/2019

Motion for Temporary Restraining Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 05/09/2019 Application

Application for Temporary Restraining Order Granted; limited fashion; bond set at \$150,000.

05/13/2019

Motion to Consolidate (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 05/09/2019 Motion to Consolidate

Plaintiffs' Motion to Consolidate on Order Shortening Time

Matter Heard; coordination of issues related to 5/24/19 hearing granted.

05/13/2019

All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Philip Peckman, Mitchell Britten, and Dave Brown, Client Representatives for Thrive Cannabis Marketplace, introduced by Mr. Gutierrez. Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Dennis Kennedy for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787035-C D H Flamingo Inc vs. State Ex Rel Department of Taxation (Department VI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case); Attorney Philip Byrnes for the Defendant in A-19-794473-C - Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. The City of Las Vegas, Nevada (Department I case); Attorney Adam Fulton for the Plaintiff in A-19-786888-J - ACC Enterprises, LLC vs. Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XXX case), Matter heard with A-19-787004-B ETW Management vs. Nevada Department of Taxation and A-19-794473-C Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. The City of Las Vegas, Nevada. STATE'S MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE in A-19-787004-B ETW Management: Argument in support of the motion by Mr. Shevorski, joinder by Mr. Koch to the State's Motion, and arguments in opposition by Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Fulton. COURT ORDERED, given the unique issues in A787035 related to the appeal and A786888 related to the mailing issues, the Court will NOT COORDINATE those issues in this department. However, the Court will GRANT the motion to the extent it seeks coordination of all the issues related to the preliminary injunction hearing scheduled next Friday (May 24, 2019). Court noting the Governor signed SB32 last Friday inquired whether it will impact any of the issues or exchange of information that needs to happen before the preliminary injunction hearing next Friday. Mr. Kemp advised the Department of Taxation filed a supplemental group of materials on their website on Friday that raises even more questions; he thinks it will help the process and speed up the preliminary injunction hearing but does not solve the issue. PROPOSED MOTION FOR ORDER COMPELLING PRODUCTION OF PRESERVED ELECTRONICALLY STORED INFORMATION in A-19-787004-B ETW Management: Per parties' agreement, Motion SET for Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 9 am. Order Shortening Time signed in open court and returned to counsel for filing. PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME: Mr. Gentile argued in support of consolidating the instant case and with A-19-794473-C Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. The City of Las Vegas, noting they had to file a lawsuit against the City quickly; it makes sense to consolidate these cases as they are identical. Mr. Byrnes advised the City has not received anything in this case but received a copy of the complaint this morning; however, the City also filed this morning a Notice of Removal to Federal Court. COURT NOTED it cannot act today if a notice of removal has been filed. DISCUSSION REGARDING PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING ON MAY 24, 2019: Court stated it does not care as to what the parties decide on a consolidated date for the oppositions as the Court will read all the briefing; Plaintiffs' reply brief DUE May 22nd. Mr. Shevorski advised that with respect to the motion filed by MM Development their oppositions are due on the 20th. Colloquy regarding suspended rules and counting days. Court noted 14 days from May 6th, the date of service of the motion. Mr. Shevorski advised it is his preference not to have any witnesses on May 24. Mr. Gentile advised that he would like to call witnesses; there has been a good deal of coordination of the attorneys sitting at his table, and he has 3 experts; he also anticipates the hearing will not be completed in one day; 2 of his experts are flying in. Mr. Kemp estimated 2.5 to 3 days for the hearing, depending on how much argument there will be, and advised he is

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calling one limited witness. Mr. Bult advised he may have one limited witness as well. Mr. Parker advised he is in trial the week of May 27 in federal court in Reno; however, he does have 1 witness in the instant case and anticipated the hearing taking 3 days. COURT TRAILED the matter for the parties to confer on a number of days. Matter RECALLED. APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER (Serenity Wellness against Defendant-Intervenor CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace): Following arguments by Mr. Gentile and Mr. Gutierrez, COURT ORDERED, after evaluating the balance of hardships and likelihood of success on the merits, the Court GRANTS the TRO in a limited respect PREVENTING Thrive from beginning operations at the 3500 Sahara location until after the preliminary injunction hearing which the Court SETS as the same time as the Motion for Preliminary Injunction on May 24, 2019. BOND SET at \$150,000, amount of a half month's rent. Following further discussion on the estimated length and scope of the hearing(s), COURT NOTED it will SET ASIDE May 24th to the 31st. COURT FURTHER DIRECTED anyone to obtain Mr. Parker's confirmation via email to all parties, since he will be in trial, that he will be fine with everyone else proceeding after his one witness. 5-16-19 9:00 AM DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR, CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S, ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA.....DEFENDANT INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC.'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA ... LONE MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA... ... NEVADA ORGANIC REMEDIES LLC'S JOINDER TO CLAR RIVER LLC'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA... ...GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER LLC'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA AND GREEN OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER LLC'S OBJECTION TO PLAINTIFF'S SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM UPON NON-PARTY, STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (Serenity Wellness against Defendant-Intervenor CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace);

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Motion for Protective Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Defendant/Intervenor, Clear River, LLC's, Order Shortening Time on Motion for Protective Order and to Quash Subpoena

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Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Joinder to Clear River, LLC's Motion for Protective Order and to Quash Subpoena

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Nevada organic Remedies LLC's Joinder to Clar River LLC's Motion for Protective Order and to Quash Subpoena

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All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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Court inquired of Mr. Kemp whether a search protocol was developed when the mirror order was signed in his case. Mr. Kemp advised no, it was just a blanket download; they did not download the State's servers that the applications were on, but the State did preserve those; the key thing here is the 15 laptops used by the graders. Mr. Kemp further advised there was a control copy, the State's copy, and what is supposed to be his copy; no searches have been done by him. DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR, CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S, ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO OUASH SUBPOENA and JOINDERS thereto in A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XI case): Arguments by Mr. Graf, Mr. Koch, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Gentile, and Mr. Shevorski. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Shevorski advised they have not yet done the searches subject to 16.1 in the MM case as the information is subject to security protocols; however, it has been preserved; they have produced their 16.1 and have not heard objections from the other side that their 16.1 was inadequate. Mr. Pope advised that when Judge Bailus was leaving, he said that all he was doing was preserving the information and the parties could fight about it later as to what could be released or not, what was confidential or not; the order even says the Plaintiffs were not to get the information until there was a process; MM wanted copying and then wanted forensic imaging, which requires special software and a lot of time to convert the information into something people are able to look at; money and time are involved; they did not have a vendor, the Department of Taxation I.T. staff thought they had to copy the drives, but when it came to forensic imaging, they had to find someone and the only vendor they could find who could do it was the Washoe County Sheriff's Department through the State's investigative department; he does not know what program but he is working on finding out what platform; their forensic specialist is "Kristy Funsaco" (phonetic), who is an investigator in their office, a State employee, and an expert in this area. Mr. Shevorski concurred searches have not been done but they have made their 16.1 disclosures to Mr. Kemp. Court noting the issue of privilege inquired if the State is in a position to do the redactions to the applications so only limited information is provided. Mr. Pope responded they are not as it would take a couple of employees one year to do that; procedurally they could give back the applicants their apps and have them redact the apps themselves. Mr. Graf replied it appears there has to be a methodology on what information gets disseminated and a methodology of contacting 400 or so applicants. Mr. Graf further argued as to how the State does their evaluations. COURT ORDERED, with respect to the motion for protective order, for those entities that are parties, the State will RELEASE the applications to those participating in this case. Those entities may provide appropriate redactions with a privilege log; however, the sections on diversity and financial will not be redacted; those two categories will be produced in unredacted form. There will also be an attorney's eyes only (AEO) protective order that also allows the Plaintiffs' statistician expert only to review that information. The production, with redactions, will be DONE by Tuesday (May 21, 2019). Thus, the State will do it expeditiously. After looking at that, if the Plaintiffs have any supplement they are to file that by Thursday morning (May 23, 2019). MOTION FOR ORDER COMPELLING PRODUCTION OF PRESERVED ELECTRONICALLY STORED INFORMATION ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case): Statement by Mr. Kemp as to what had happened in the hearing before Judge Bailus which lasted 7 hours, noting that he offered to pay for the State's independent computer consultant. Colloquy regarding possible vendors. Further argument by Mr. Kemp as to 16.1 disclosures being filed but that the hard drives and cellphones have not been provided. Mr. Kemp asked for the 15 hard drives and 3 state cellphones, stating he could take it from there and make them AEO. Mr. Rulis advised HOLO could be a vendor. COURT ORDERED, the images originally designated as the Plaintiffs' copy will be DELIVERED to HOLO and it will be at Plaintiffs' expense, not at State expense; platform will be provided by HOLO. Custodian list as well as search terms will be PROVIDED to all parties and to HOLO by 10 am tomorrow, May 17; If anyone has an objection to a custodian or search term, it needs to be made by 2 pm tomorrow by email with a copy to the Law Clerk so the Court can conduct a conference call; If there are unobjected to custodians and search terms HOLO will begin the search process; If there is an issue related

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to a privilege that a party thinks they need to review, the party has 24 hours from the identification of the document by HOLO or when HOLO makes it available on the platform to either make a claim of privilege and review the document, order redactions, agree with redactions, or whatever. Any document to which there is no claim of privilege made will be released so it can be obtained in time for the hearing; Upon Mr. Koch's inquiry, Court concurred anything not part of M1 through 4 is not privileged, so the Court is ordering that as well as the diversity and financial sections. All witnesses for the May 24th hearing must be identified by Thursday, May 23rd, at 3 pm; counsel need not say when the witnesses will be called and can work together on a schedule. Court further directed counsel to contact HOLO that they have a big job coming. 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY *INJUNCTION:* 

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Telephonic Conference (2:45 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Telephonic Conference re: Objections to Search Terms

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Travis Chance for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case). Court acknowleged receipt of objections. Mr. Rulis advised he was the one who drafted the custodians and search terms on the Plaintiffs' side. Court inquired as to why Amanda Connor, Derek Conner, and other people who do not work for the State or Manpower are appropriate custodians. Mr. Kemp stated Amanda Connor was the person who prepared the applications for, he believes, 4 of the groups and won applications; they are exploring any communications between her and the State. Court notes that is a search term, not a custodian. COURT ORDERED, objection as to the custodian for non-State, non-Manpower is GRANTED. Mr. Bhirud advised he, Mr. Rulis, and HOLO had spoken today; the documents are not organized by custodian. With regards to search terms, including the Connors, Mr. Hone advised that to the extent it is communications with the State they agree with the Court. COURT ORDERED, since the only computers being searched and only data being searched is data from the State, the Court does not see that there is any privilege related to communications by counsel for any of the applicants. Court inquired of Mr. Rulis and Mr. Kemp as to why RD numbers need to be searched. Counsel stated it would be to the extent any RD numbers are referenced in any communication. Mr. Kemp noted this is just a small number of RD numbers; they want to see if any comments were made regarding their specific application. Court further inquired about an additional issue of all the first names indicated for Essence and Thrive and why Riana Durrett and Jorge Pupo are appropriate. Mr. Kemp Riana advised Riana Durrett is an attorney with Connor and Connor and is not with the State; Mr. Pupo is the head of the Nevada Department of Taxation; this is again in relation to communications between them and the State. Mr. Bhirud responded the State is not looking to hide anything; their concern is they simply do not have custodians and are not searching a particular method of communication; right now they have 127,000 (inaudible) of files they need to review in 24 hours. Court asked where the State emails were, Mr. Kemp stated that he understands they are on separate servers the State has; they would like to do a search on the State emails at the same time HOLO is doing the search on the mirrors/forensic documents. Court then noted counsel are talking about that separately so the Court will not get involve in it at the moment. Ms. McLetchie advised it is her understanding Riana Durrett no longer works at Connor and Connor but is now an executive director of the Nevada Dispensary Association. Mr. Kemp stated that when the applications were filed Ms. Durrett was at Connor and Connor. Court asked when Ms. Durrett left. Ms. McLetchie stated she is not sure but she will follow up on that. Following colloquy regarding connectors used with the search terms, Mr. Kemp confirmed "or" would be the connector but he does not think there will be a lot. With regards to other objections, Mr. Koch, noting that they have 24 hours to review the documents for any privilege, objected as what would be searched is protected under statute; they filed a petition with the Supreme Court to preclude any production by the State and expect that to be heard as soon as possible; he does not see how there is a practical turnaround for the review. Court stated if the Nevada Supreme Court entertains that petition or if counsel file a stay request with this Court, the Court will discuss it with the parties, COURT ORDERED, objections from 5 parties MARKED collectively as Court's Exhibit 1 to this hearing. (See worksheet.) Court noted one of the other issues raised in the objections was well-founded, i.e. that the Plaintiffs' applications also need to be produced under the same format so the scoring issue can be evaluated, as to whether it is correct or not. Colloquy. Court noted it anticipates the Plaintiffs' applications will be made under the same protective order, under the same ruling, that the Court issued yesterday. Mr. Bhirud requested further clarification on connectors. COURT stated HOLO will run the search with "or" as connector and they will communicate to counsel

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how many documents were generated by that search; then, parties will meet and confer to decide whether they need to do narrowing before people start looking at documents; if the parties are unable to, they are to contact the Law Clerk by email that they need to speak with the Court, and the Court will figure out how to talk to the parties; HOLO will figure out the number of hits and if it is a huge amount then parties may need to narrow the search. Colloquy regarding amount of data on laptops and the review. Mr. Rulis advised HOLO indicated they would prioritize searching the cellphones; secondly, the concept was that they would not only produce a number of hits but also some sort of shortened privilege log. Ms. McLetchie requested clarification on unrepresented parties such as Circle S. Mr. Kemp explained what Circle S' significance was with regards to scoring. Court noted it assumes that would be produced in redacted form, except for diversity and financial, as with everyone else. Ms. McLetchie suggested Circle S be notified; she is their registered agent, she would be happy to talk to them, and they need an opportunity to redact their own information. Court stated this was a lovely idea and DIRECTED everyone else serving as registered agents for anyone with an application that may be produced or an attorney-client relationship they are welcome to notify those people with the potential production of their information. Mr. Gutierrez inquired about the timing for the OST on the motion to stay. COURT STATED it will be able to hear that motion for Thursday, May 23rd at 10:30 am. Court addressing Mr. Koch's concern stated he has the ability to redact personal identifiers from bank accounts of individuals. Colloguy regarding the protective order and who is drafting it. Mr. Rulis advised they circulated one to the State previously but he can circulate one again to everyone for comment. Colloquy regarding AEO. Mr. Kemp advised they are not really interested in the specific financial information; to the extent they want to be liberal in their redaction of financial information he understands that. COURT added it is NOT OPPOSED to parties redacting the financial information of individuals and not providing or totally redacting bank statements. Ms. McLetchie stated she does not know whether Circle S has to intervene to protect records concerning their application but she would simply request that they be allowed to be involved in the discovery process. Court noted this if Circle S wants to participate only to the extent of making sure their protected confidential information remains protected in accordance the ruling the Court made, they are welcome to do so. Court recommended they notify the Plaintiffs and HOLO. Colloquy regarding applications. Court inquired whether the State is intending to exclude the applications from the search HOLO is doing. Mr. Bhirud stated that is his preference. Mr. Kemp stated he does not have a problem with that, if HOLO can figure out. COURT NOTED the applications will not be searched then so the State may want to provide applications to people such as Ms. McLetchie's clients for any redaction. COURT FURTHER NOTED it is not anticipating bank statements as part of this process and assumes parties will redact bank statements; that does not mean, however, that the question will not be asked at the evidentiary hearing. 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE;

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Telephonic Conference (11:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

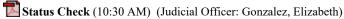
Telephonic Conference at Request of Court Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details:

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case). Court acknowledged receipt of the proposed order for last week's hearing as well as a protective order, advised it made a couple of changes, and asked if anyone else had any substantive changes as the Law Clerk did not receive any additional proposals. Mr. Koch stated he and Mr. Rulis have spoken about the issue regarding names of documents HOLO has provided; they cannot tell what the document is and do not know what is in them and would request that the documents be described a little bit better. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Koch stated they received a list from the 15 laptops of 11,000 documents / hits. Mr. Kemp noted, for example, a document named \$100QSMISLS; he has no idea what that is. Mr. Rulis added that the State has a Relativity workspace that was set up for them. Mr. Bhirud responded that he would like the burden to not be pushed back to the State and explained the Relativity platform. Mr. Bhirud further advised that Mr. Pope and Mr. Werbicky are working on this and that the State has already done its part. Mr. Kemp volunteered to review the documents. Mr. Koch stated he believes only the State and HOLO should be able to do that. Mr. Bhirud proposed that counsel for the State go back and identify a document; if a specific applicant is named, they will identify who the applicant is; if it is more, then the State will say multiple applicants; they will have two of their attorneys start working on it, not work on

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anything else, and they will not stop until they are done and will keep the parties updated on their progress. Court stated this was a reasonable proposal. Mr. Kemp advised the Plaintiffs have produced their applications but the Defendants' redactions are outrageous; for example, Lone Mountain, which won 11 licenses and is doing business as Verano, had 643 out of 647 pages redacted; the other 4 pages, which he has in his hand, are maybe 50% redacted; Lone Mountain has only given them the names of the 3 people they have put down for diversity, so that production is not in good faith; he will be happy to provide the Court with copies of what he has. COURT ORDERED, this matter will be discussed tomorrow at 10:30 am. Counsel can bring whatever they like. Hearing no other concerns, COURT stated it will APPROVE the latest version of the protective order with the single statistician and a requirement of a privilege log with the production. 5-23-19 10:30 AM STATUS CHECK 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE);

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case). COURT ORDERED, items MARKED as Court's Exhibits 1A, 1B, 2, 3, and 4 for today's hearing. (See worksheet.) Exhibits 2 and 3 are SEALED by ORDER OF THE COURT. Court and counsel discussed documents as they relate to diversity, building plans, addresses and/or lack thereof. Court RECESSED for Mr. Hymanson to make phone call. Matter RECALLED. Mr. Hymanson provided an update as to the production. Court directed counsel to inform everyone by 2 pm today as pages are totally redacted. Further discussion regarding locations and building plans, scheduling, witnesses, and exhibits. Proposed order on Clear River's motion for protective order signed with interlineations and returned to Mr. Graf for filing. 5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS *MARKETPLACE*);

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**Motion for Preliminary Injunction** (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth) 05/24/2019, 05/28/2019-05/31/2019, 06/10/2019-06/11/2019, 06/18/2019-06/20/2019, 07/01/2019, 07/10/2019-07/12/2019, 07/15/2019, 07/18/2019, 08/13/2019-08/16/2019

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(A-19-787540-W) Upon Court's inquiry, exhibits presented and Stipulated exhibits admitted. (See worksheets) Opening statements by counsel. Testimony presented. (See worksheets) Colloguy regarding scheduling. No objection noted. Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law are to be submitted to the Court by Wednesday (May 26, 2019) at noon. Court recessed for the day. Court advised parties Court will entertain Motion to Compel next date. 5/28/19 9:45 a.m. Further Proceedings: Preliminary Injunction Hearing;

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DAY 2 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Court noted a motion for protective order was filed in the Department VIII case. Mr. Koch advised they subpoenaed Amanda Connor to testify tomorrow. No objection by all parties to having the motion heard by this Court. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, May 29, at 9:00 am, as well as the motion to compel filed in the ETW case and calendared today for 1 pm.;

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Motion for Protective Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth) Motion for Protective Order on Order Shortening Time Granted in Part;

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All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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DAY 3 APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Derek Connor for Witness Amanda Connor Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME (filed in A-18-785818-W MM Development Company, Inc vs. State of Nevada, Department)...MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME (filed in A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness C enter, LLC vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation): Mr. Connor requested Ms. Connor not testify, noting attorney-client privileged relationship. Court noted it does not think anyone here will ask questions that would invade true attorney-client privileged communications, but to the extent of the third parties there is a gray line, which is why there is a case by case determination. Mr. Koch stated they do not intend to ask about attorney-client communications. Mr. Gentile argued John Ritter has waived his attorney-client privilege with A. Connor with regards to what they are here about; based on the waiver, it is their intention to go into some of the communications she had with Ritter and with the Department of Taxation where there is no privilege. Colloquy regarding scheduling. COURT ORDERED, witness will testify Thursday after lunch and be done. Motions GRANTED IN PART. PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO COMPEL ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME (filed in A-19-787004-B ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation): Mr. Bult argued that they need to understand exactly what was graded; witness should be compelled to produce the information ordered on the 16th and what is consistent with what the Plaintiffs have. Mr. Cristalli advised his side joined, and argued. Mr. Hone responded all of this information is confidential by statute. Statement by Ms. Shell as to GreenMart's ownership at the time of application. Mr. Koch argued that for purposes of this motion they have already complied. Further argument by Mr. Bult, Mr. Hone, and Mr. Cristalli. COURT ORDERED, copy of license application provided by Mr. Hone MARKED as Court's Exhibit 1 to the Motion to Compel Hearing for today. (See worksheet.) COURT STATED it is satisfied the information that has been redacted related to the attachments is generally appropriate except for information redacted on attachment A's by the applicant even

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though those individuals were not owners, board members; if the names are redacted they need to be unredacted for purposes of the analysis on diversity; this applies to all parties whether Plaintiff or Intervenor except for the State. MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, preliminary injunction hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, May 30th at 9:30 am. CLERK'S NOTE: Court's Exhibit 1 to the Motion to Compel Hearing LODGED with the Vault under A-19-787004-B. / dr;

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DAY 4 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS. LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case): Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Attorney Christian Balducci for witness Stacey Dugan. Colloquy regarding scheduling and availability. Mr. Koch advised as an update on ownership that they have provided Proposed Intervenor Defendants' Exhibits 5025 and 5026 which should provide clarity. Mr. Balducci stated he is here on behalf of Ms. Dugan with GreenMart; she is subject to a subpoena served in the last 48 hours; he was retained recently; Ms. Dugan is not available today and he is here today to object on her behalf; however, he will be happy to work with everyone on available dates and times. Mr. Kemp advised it was his firm that served Ms. Dugan and he is willing to accommodate her. Court noted parties to work this out. Mr. Parker advised he and Mr. Shevorski spoke yesterday about the QC notes and evaluation notes; Mr. Shevorski said they were not produced and are subject to a privilege log. COURT NOTED it has to see that privilege log before it can tell counsel that it will look at the documents in camera, Mr. Parker stated they will provide that to the Court. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Further discussion held regarding Ms. Stacey Dugan's appearance. Mr. Balducci appearing by telephone. COURT ORDERED, witness Stacey Dugan to testify at 3 pm tomorrow. Additional discussion regarding the priv log and QC notes. Ms. Haar stated those were identified as MM 16. 1 disclosures. Mr. Parker noted proposed process of redacting the score cards. COURT ORDERED, PRODUCE as AEO. Colloquy regarding scheduling. Proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law due by close of business on Monday, June 10th. COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, May 31st, at 9 am.;

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DAY 5 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Attorney Christian Balducci for witness Stacey Dugan. Following arguments by counsel, COURT ORDERED, 5A ADMITTED and counsel can argue the importance of the

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existence of 5 and 5A. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED.:

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Journal Entry Details:

DAY 6 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Court disclosed flowers received. Disclosure MARKED as Court's Exhibit 1. Colloquy regarding scheduling. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, motion to dissolve TRO scheduled for June 12 RESET on June 13, 2019 at 9 am. LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, June 11, 2019 at 9:45 am.;

06/10/2019

All Pending Motions (10:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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All Pending Motions (9:15 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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Journal Entry Details:

DAY 7 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED to Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 9:30 am.:

06/13/2019



Motion (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Intervening Defendants Motion to Dissolve Temporary Restraining Order on an Order Shortening Time

Denied; Bond increased by \$300,000 = \$450,000 total.Journal Entry Details:

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W -MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787540-W Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation. Mr. Kahn and Ms. Zimmerman appeared by telephone. Following arguments by Mr. Gutierrez, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Savarese, Mr. Bult, and Mr. Parker, COURT ORDERED, based on the evidence that the Court has currently heard during the evidentiary hearing, recognizing that the Court has not heard much of the Defendants' case other than Mr. Jolley, the Court FINDS there is no basis to dissolve the Temporary Restraining Order. However, the BOND will be INCREASED by \$300,000 for a total of \$450,000. Additional bond to be posted by next Wednesday (June 19, 2019). 6-18-19 9:30 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION... PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-

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787540-W, A-19-787726-C) 7-8-19 9:00 AM DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER. INC.'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)...DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3);

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All Pending Motions (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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Journal Entry Details:

DAY 8 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS. LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, June 19, at 9:00 am. Colloquy regarding scheduling.;

06/19/2019



All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 9 APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, June 20, at 9:15 am. Counsel to provide a printed copy of the slides used by Mr. Miller to be marked as a demonstrative exhibit. Per counsel's request, the Motion for Summary Judgment and Joinders previously scheduled for July 8 are CONTINUED to July 22 at 9 am. -Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3) - Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3) - Clear River LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment (Člaims 1-3);

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All Pending Motions (9:15 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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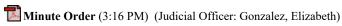
DAY 10 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada. Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Court acknowledged receipt of motion to release cash bond from Mr. Gentile's office and shared her copy with Mr. Gutierrez. Mr. Graf stated he would object to that motion and like to be heard as to when it will be set. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Brief RECESS for witness to address privilege issues with counsel. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Proceeding resumed. Per the parties' agreement, COURT ORDERED, motion to release cash bond SET for Wednesday, June 26, at 9 am. Order shortening time signed and returned to Mr. Cristalli for filing. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Mr. Graf moved to strike every reference to adequacy of

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size in Mr. Parker's examination of Mr. Pupo and argued. COURT stated findings, ORDERED, OBJECTION OVERRULED. Mr. Graf further argued as to 453(d)(268)(4)(11) and 453(d)(272), noting as to the latter that he will leave to the Court as the trier of fact what or who the applicant is and who is actually issued the license; he objects to the loose determination that the entity cannot be a person to whom the license is issued. Court NOTED it is listening to all the evidence that is being presented. RECESS. Testimony and exhibits

determination that the entity cannot be a person to whom the license is issued. Court NOTED it is listening to all the evidence that is being presented. RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) Counsel estimated 5 more days for this hearing. COURT NOTING its schedule STATED continued date for this hearing to be determined. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, motion to release cash bond (to be filed under A-19-786962-B) and motion for temporary restraining order (to be filed under A-19-787004-B) shall be HEARD on Tuesday, June 25 at 8:45 am per agreement of the parties.;

06/25/2019



Minute Order - No Hearing Held; Journal Entry Details:

Due to a clerical error with the attachment, the filing on 6/25/19 at 12:30 pm of the Day 10, Vol. II transcript is stricken to be refiled in a corrected version by the court recorder. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve./mt;

06/25/2019

Motion (8:45 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Motion to Release Cash Bond on Order Shortening Time

Denied Without Prejudice;

Journal Entry Details:

Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, motion DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for Mr. Cristalli to fix the irregularities with the bond; the TRO is not ineffective, but the additional funds will not be released until the issues are resolved. Colloquy regarding schedule and bond evidence. COURT ORDERED, preliminary injunction CONTINUED. 7/1/19 10:00 AM PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING;

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All Pending Motions (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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Journal Entry Details:

Court noted a problem with the Motion to Seal exhibits as they are not confidential and would not seal the exhibits based on a cursory motion. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Graf requested time to file an opposition in response to the Motion for Leave. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheets) COURT ORDERED, Motion to Seal GRANTED IN PART; Exhibit A sealed except for the DOT Clear River 100; Exhibit B sealed except for page one; Exhibit C sealed except for page one; Exhibit E sealed. Motion to Seal Exhibits D and F CONTINUED for Chambers Decision. 7/12/19 3:00 AM MOTION TO SEAL EXHIBITS D & F;

07/02/2019

Motion for Leave (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 06/27/2019 Motion for Leave to File

Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint on an Order Shortening Time 6/28/19 Order Shortening Time

Denied in Part;

Journal Entry Details:

Also present: Maximilien Fetaz, Esq. and Steven Shevorski, Esq. Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, Paradise Wellness Center permitted to WITHDRAW from the participation of the master complaint filed in A-19-786962-B; request to substitute MediFarm is DENIED; request to add MediFarm as a party is GRANTED. Colloquy regarding Mr. Parker not being available on 7/1/19. Mr. Cristalli requested the return of the \$150,000.00 cash posted. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Cristalli confirmed he has the bond and presented it to the Court. Opposition by Mr. Graf. Court instructed Mr. Cristalli the bond must match the current caption. Further colloquy regarding scheduling and remaining witnesses.;

07/10/2019

All Pending Motions (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 12 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM

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HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Mr. Gentile advised the Plaintiff does NOT REST at this time. Court NOTED it will not allow parties to rest in parts. Mr. Gentile further advised the Plaintiff will not be calling a gaming enforcement expert but may still have a drug enforcement administration expert. Witnesses called out of order. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, July 11, at 10:00 am.;

07/11/2019

All Pending Motions (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)
Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 13 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS. LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Mahogany Turfley for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Mr. Bhirud advised the State does not plan on doing anything after this case and before the Court's decision issues. Colloquy regarding scheduling. Witness(es) called out of order. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. LUNCH RECESS. Proceeding resumed. Court advised its trial that was scheduled to take place next week has settled. Colloquy regarding scheduling and witnesses. Mr. Gutierrez detailed a list of witnesses he still intends to call, explaining that he intends to call them as it relates to the irreparable harm prong and would like to talk to them about their applications. Mr. Gutierrez estimated 30 minutes for each witness. Mr. Kemp stated he had 8 people. Mr. Gentile arrived and advised the Plaintiff has retained a gentleman from Colorado who is an expert in the evaluation of the cannabis business, but he will be called in rebuttal. At the hour of 2:16 PM, Plaintiffs ETW Management Group LLC, Serenity Wellness Center, MM Development Company, and Nevada Wellness Center, LLC et all RESTED. Testimony and exhibits continued as to the Defendants' witnesses. (See worksheet.) COURT DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to determine scheduling and witnesses for next week. Testimony and exhibits presented.:

07/12/2019

All Pending Motions (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 14 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. Colloquy regarding scheduling. COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED to Monday, July 15 at 10 am.;

07/15/2019

All Pending Motions (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)
Matter Heard;
Journal Entry Details:

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DAY 15 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case): Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. COURT ORDERED, the motion to seal in A-19-787004-B will be continued to July 18, 2019 at 9:30 am. Court DIRECTED Mr. Koch to provide the documents with the proposed redaction. Colloguy regarding scheduling for the remainder of the hearing as well as witnesses. Mr. Kahn advised he will be out of state on August 1st and 2nd. Mr. Gentile reminded the Court he will be calling a rebuttal witness and will be able to report on availability on Thursday (July 18). COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED to Thursday, July 18, at 9:30 am.;

07/18/2019



All Pending Motions (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 16 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Court noted its concern about waiting for Mr. Gentile's rebuttal witness until August. Mr. Gentile advised that expert will focus on valuation; however, he does not mean to pre-suppose how this Court will rule; one way would be to issue the preliminary injunction, and if the Court does that it will be asked to set bond; Plaintiff's witness will testify as to approaches and methods of valuation in the cannabis business, the evaluation of a start-up and pre-revenue cannabis business, how to interpret the valuation report, unique issues with regard to evaluating a cannabis business such as the Controlled Substances Act, the banking situation and how that impacts the valuation, and the impact that is being made on the industry as a whole because of California and the increase in production in what is for the most part a market that is pretty much a fixed market. Mr. Gentile proposed resuming on August 1st; his expert is available that day. Court stated it is available that day as well. Mr. Kahn advised he is out until August 5th. Mr. Koch offered that what Mr. Gentile is talking about sort of relates to the calculation of a bond, not as to the actual determination of whether a preliminary injunction is appropriate. Court stated, if anyone is willing to stipulate to having the bond hearing separately, after the Court makes a determination on the injunctive relief portion, the Court will be happy to hear the witness after it issues a decision, and it will only now be looking for a date for closing arguments. Mr. Kemp advised he would so stipulate. Defendants and Intervenor Defendants so STIPULATED. Court noted this is as to what Mr. Gentile is describing is a bond issue that can be handled after the Court makes its decision. Mr. Gentile stated he thinks it is both and that he is concerned about irreparable harm. Court stated it does not think it is an irreparable harm issue; the Court has heard sufficient testimony related to the limited availability of marketable licenses in the industry. Court inquired as to when it can hear closing arguments. Mr. Gentile advised he has canceled two trips but can do July 26. Ms. Shell and another party advised they are out of the jurisdiction that day. Mr. Gentile stated he cannot do closings tomorrow and that he will probably get back Wednesday night. Mr. Bult advised he is not available on July 25. Mr. Gentile advised his expert will be available on the 7th, 9th, and 12th. Court advised counsel of its upcoming trial stack and that it does not have any other availability it can guarantee at this time. COURT ORDERED, motions currently scheduled for Monday, July 22nd RESET on Tuesday, July 23rd at 1 pm. Parties to argue for one hour or less on the 23rd. CLERK'S NOTE: As the Motion for Order to Seal Exhibits A-F Attached to Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel on Order Shortening Time in A-19-787004-B was not addressed, that motion is CONTINUED to Tuesday, July 23rd at 1 pm. Parties notified via electronic mail. / dr;

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07/23/2019	Motion for Summary Judgment (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)  Granted in Part;
07/23/2019	Joinder (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)  Granted in Part;
07/23/2019	Joinder (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Clear River LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc's  Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)  Granted in Part;
07/23/2019	Motion for Summary Judgment (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth) Events: 06/18/2019 Motion for Summary Judgment Clear River, LLC's Motion for Summary Judgment Motion Denied;
07/23/2019	Joinder (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Joinder to Defendant - Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment  Granted in Part;
07/23/2019	Joinder (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Defendant - Intervenor Greenmart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant - Intervenor Clear River LLc's Motion for Summary Judgment  Denied;
07/23/2019	Joinder (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Joinder to Clear River, LLC's Motion for Summary Judgment  Denied;
07/23/2019	All Pending Motions (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)  Matter Heard;  Journal Entry Details:
	APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Adam Bult, Esq. and Maximilien Fetaz, Esq., for Pltfs' in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group, LLC vs. Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XI case) MOTION FOR ORDER TO SEAL EXHIBITS A-F ATTACHED TO PLTFS' MOTION TO COMPEL ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME FILED IN A-19-787004-B: Mr. Koch provided the Court redacted version of Exhibit "F". COURT ORDERED, motion GRANTED IN PART. Redacted version of Exhibit "F" will be for public view and the original Exhibit "F" will remain SEALED. DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)CLEAR RIVER LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)DEFT/INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV, LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT: Following arguments by counsel, Court FINDS license which was applied for in and of itself is not a property right that confers jurisdiction upon this Court to the extent that the claim is for a loss of a property right and for that reason, ORDERS, motion GRANTED IN PART as to those portions of the first cause of action in the Serenity claim and the second cause of action in the ETW claim that are based on the loss of a property right as opposed to the alternative issues plead in that claim. With respect to the remaining arguments, COURT ORDERED, motion DENIED. Department of Taxation had discretion to implement certain regulations related to ballot Question #2 others were mandatory for which no discretion existed on behalf of the department. The Court is in the process of hearing evidence and closing arguments related to those issues and genuine issues of material fact exist related to violations of the department. CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION

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FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT...JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT...DEFT/INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV, LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT: Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, motion DENIED. At the time of the filing of the two complaints that are assigned to Business Court on January 4, 2019, the process was confidential and it was difficult if not impossible for the Pltfs' in those matters to know who the other applicants were. FURTHER ORDERED, petition for judicial review DENIED. Court stated once communication is received as to scheduling, the Court will set for argument. Mr. Graf to prepare the order.;

08/05/2019

Status Check (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Status Check: Scheduling Resumption of Preliminary Injunction Hearing

Matter Heard; hearing to resume 8/13/19

08/05/2019

Motion for Temporary Restraining Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth) Application for Temporary Restraining Order on an Order Shortening Time Granted; Bond set for a total of \$50,000.

08/05/2019

All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)
Matter Heard;
Journal Entry Details:

STATUS CHECK: SCHEDULING RESUMPTION OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING ...APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ON AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker and Attorney Mahogany Turfley for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Ms. Higgins, Mr. Parker, and Mr. Kahn appeared by telephone. STATUS CHECK: SCHEDULING RESUMPTION OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING: Court noted the Law Clerk sent out an email asking about the parties' availability. Court asked if the parties will negotiate amongst themselves or allow the Court to unilaterally set a date. Mr. Koch advised he has trial beginning next Tuesday, August 13. Court further noted it will finish the hearing before the end of the stack. Mr. Gentile inquired whether the State and Intervenor Defendants have rested. Court asked if it can hear closing arguments tomorrow. Mr. Gutierrez advised he has 3 witnesses left. Mr. Graf advised he set a while back 3 depositions for tomorrow. Mr. Parker advised he has calendar call in Reno tomorrow at 1:30. Ms. Higgins advised she is out of town until tomorrow evening. Mr. Gutierrez advised they are not available this week, but next week and the week after his side is. Mr. Shevorski stated he had no more witnesses. Mr. Gentile confirmed his witness is a person who is more on a bond issue which can be done after the hearing. Mr. Prince advised he has trial on September 9 but is available the 3rd and 4th. Mr. Graf stated he cannot let someone else do his depositions, as that would still be Ms. Higgins. Mr. Prince noted they have witness availability problems. Colloquy between Court and counsel. COURT ORDERED, matter TRAILED for parties to confer. Matter RECALLED. Mr. Prince advised they would like a complete evidentiary record and that they will be filing additional motions before the end of the hearing. Court noted counsel may do so. Following further discussion on the Court and parties' availability, COURT ORDERED, hearing to RESUME on Tuesday, August 13 at 9:30 am, August 14 at 9 am, August 15 at 9:15 am, and August 16 at 9 am, and finish by August 16. If Mr. Parker's trial goes forward in federal court, the Court will determine with counsel where to put his closing argument. APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ON AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME: Following arguments by Mr. Gentile and Mr. Koch, COURT ORDERED, on the same basis that the Court previously ruled on Thrive, the request is GRANTED to prevent opening but not pre-opening work. Court, noting information in the spreadsheet, inquired as to what an Xtreme Cube is. Mr. Koch stated it is a modular building and half has been paid. With regards to a bond, Mr. Gentile stated he does not think there should be any additional bond. COURT ORDERED, BOND SET at \$25,000 each for a TOTAL of \$50,000 which is taking into account utilities, rent, and salaried employees only. The Temporary Restraining Order will REMAIN in place pending the outcome of the preliminary injunction hearing. ~ Mr. Parker added that his trial next week starts on Monday and the judge said it is for 7 to 10 days; calendar call is tomorrow at 1:30. COURT DIRECTED Mr. Parker to inform the federal judge after calendar call tomorrow that this Court set a hearing with 30 other lawyers and if they need to speak they can. Mr. Parker further advised it is Federal Court Judge Hicks. Mr. Kemp advised they have also convinced Judge Togliatti to conduct their

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mediation this Saturday; they have asked commitments from principals of each company to attend; it would be his request that the Court order or strongly encourage the principals' participation. Court stated it will STRONGLY ENCOURAGE that as it is always better to have the decision-makers attend.;

08/08/2019



Telephonic Conference (11:45 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Telephonic Conference re: Scheduling

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

APPEARANCES BY PHONE CONTINUED: Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Mr. Parker advised his federal court case settled yesterday at 7 pm. Court stated it has confirmed with federal court Judge Hicks that even though he would have been unwilling to move the trial, the case has settled. The preliminary injunction hearing in the instant case will RESUME as scheduled on Tuesday (August 13, 2019) at 9:30 am despite any rumors to the contrary. Mr. Gentile inquired as to what time their new request for a TRO will be heard. Court advised it signed the order shortening time earlier, setting the application for Monday (August 12, 2019) at 9 am. Mr. Gutierrez requested that the application be moved to Tuesday as he has another hearing in another department. Mr. Koch noted his trial starts on Tuesday at 9 am. COURT ORDERED, the application will REMAIN on Monday, August 12, 2019 unless the parties reach an agreement. Mr. Gentile further advised there are critical motions on a homicide case before Judge Adair on Thursday (August 15, 2019) at 9:30 am; he will call the State to see if the motions can be moved to the following week; they will probably take one hour to argue. Court stated that if those motions cannot be moved, the hearing in the instant case will start later that day. Mr. Parker added that August 15 is also the third Thursday of the month, so he will have board meetings. Court so noted. 08/12/2019 9:30 AM - Department 11 APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ON AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME 08/13/2019 9:30 AM - Department 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) 08/14/2019 9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W. A-19-787004-B. A-19-787540-W. A-19-787726-C) 08/15/2019 9:15 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) 08/16/2019 9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) 08/19/2019 9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 INTERVENING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, INCREASE THE BOND AMOUNT ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...MOTION TO RELEASE CASH BOND;

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Motion for Temporary Restraining Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Application for Temporary Restraining Order on an Order Shortening Time Granted; Bond SET at \$15,000.

Journal Entry Details:

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Counsel for the State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant, not present.

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Call attempted to the contact number for Attorney Jared Kahn, counsel for Helping Hands Wellness Center; call went to voicemail. COURT stated it will ALLOW Mr. Gentile to proceed. Mr. Gentile advised he has nothing to add. Mr. Koch argued they have continued to incur rent and payroll and the bond should be set at \$1 million. COURT ORDERED, Temporary Restraining Order GRANTED and BOND SET at \$15,000 because there appears to be irreparable harm given the limited licenses. The store is PRECLUDED from opening but not from seeking final approval from government agencies. Court NOTED it did not include payroll in the \$15,000 but added rent and securities. Mr. Koch advised that as far as the preliminary injunction hearing their I.T. techs here are also the techs in his trial before Judge Denton, and detailed his trial schedule; on Thursday and Friday he has half days. Court so noted, and directed anyone to inform Mr. Kahn and the attorneys for the State.;

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All Pending Motions (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 17 APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Mr. Gutierrez advised he has 3 witnesses today. All other parties advised they had no other witnesses. Mr. Gentile noted that as of right now, the Plaintiffs do not have a rebuttal case. Mr. Cristalli advised that with regards to Shane Terry, one of Mr. Gutierrez's witnesses, they do not have his application, not even in redacted form; if Mr. Terry is going to testify they would like the chance to review it. Mr. Rulis advised the company is no longer called Nuveda but TRNVP098 LLC. COURT ORDERED the application be made available before they go forward. Mr. Gutierrez stated that while that is being done, they can start with another witness. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT DIRECTED the parties to check if there are any exhibits that have not been admitted that they want admitted and meet with the Clerk. LUNCH RECESS. Proceeding resumed. COURT NOTED that in comparing Exhibits 5 and 5A, they both have the same version number, from the Department, of 5.4, and DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to give the Court an explanation as to the change, because the change was testified to and without any indication on the forms the Court is trying to determine whether it has the correct versions of 5 and 5A. Mr. Parker marked and offered Exhibits 308 through 311. (See worksheet.) All parties reviewed the exhibits and stated they had no objections, with the exception of Mr. Prince who objected to their admission based on relevance, foundation, and hearsay. COURT ORDERED, Mr. Parker to call a witness. Mr. Parker stated he will call Mr. Pupo in rebuttal. COURT NOTED Mr. Bhirud has confirmed 5 and 5A both include the same footer. Mr. Cristalli advised Serenity would like to admit 11 items, which were mostly produced by the State: Proposed Exhibits 219, 227, 232 through 234, 242 through 244, 247 through 249. Mr. Shevorski advised the State has no objection to their admission. Court noted the Defendants in Intervention would like the opportunity to review them. With regards to Mr. Shane Terry's application, Mr. Cristalli advised they have not had the time to review the applications. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, August 14, 2019 at 9:30 am. Parties will be asked tomorrow individually if they rest. Any motions or pocket briefs prior to closing arguments are DUE by 3 pm on Wednesday. Court further noted it has also set aside Thursday and Friday morning for this hearing. Mr. Kahn advised he will be calling his client as a witness tomorrow.;

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All Pending Motions (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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Journal Entry Details:

DAY 18 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department

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XVIII case). Mr. Wight submitted to the Court two proposed orders, one of them for the operation in Reno. Court signed the orders and returned them to counsel for filing. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Court SUSTAINED Mr. Gentile's objection to the admission of proposed exhibits 5065 and 5066 as to the documents themselves but not the testimonial evidence of the witness' personal knowledge. Mr. Kahn requested they submit unredacted versions of 5065 and 5066 and move to seal that portion. COURT stated it CANNOT SEAL the transcript nor these proceedings. Mr. Kahn requested an opportunity to meet with his client. RECESS. Proceeding resumed. Unredacted copies provided and marked. Court NOTED there is still an objection by Mr. Gentile. Mr. Kahn argued he wished to establish there was a purchaser and his client was not able to act on it. COURT ORDERED, it will not accept the exhibits for the value of the business but as to the prejudice to this client. The OBJECTIONS are OVER RULED and Exhibits 5065 and 5066, which are the redacted versions, are ADMITTED. Unredacted versions RETURNED to Mr. Kahn. Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) Mr. Shevorski requested an extension to the motion and pocket brief deadline. Mr. Gentile advised they will also be submitting additional authorities. COURT GRANTED the request and gave all parties until tomorrow, August 15, at 8 am. If filing additional authorities counsel to throw a cover sheet over them so they can be caught by the Department. LUNCH RECESS. Testimony and exhibits resumed. (See worksheet.) There being no objection, the following proposed exhibits were ADMITTED into evidence: ETW's 414 through 426, and 432 through 445; Serenity Wellness' 219, 227, 232 through 234, 242 through 244, 247 through 249. At the hour of 2:39 PM, ALL PARTIES RESTED. Redacted version of Shane Terry's application submitted, MARKED as 267, and ADMITTED. Mr. Graf made his record regarding leading objections and Ms. Shell about her concern regarding racist statements. Colloquy regarding scheduling. COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, August 15 at 9:15 am, for closing arguments.;

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All Pending Motions (9:15 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DAY 19 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Exhibit 31A provided to the Clerk. Mr. Kahn advised the redactions to 31A were agreeable to him. COURT ORDERED, 31A ADMITTED. Court acknowledged briefs filed by counsel. COURT DIRECTED counsel to FOCUS on the following central questions in their closing arguments: whether the Department exceeded the scope of the provisions or acted arbitrarily and capriciously in implementing the provisions of ballot question no. 2, whether "all owners" is ambiguous, and whether the issue related to "all owners" can be cured. COURT ALSO DIRECTED counsel to FOCUS on the physical address issue and the diversity issue. Individual Plaintiffs to PROVIDE the specific RELIEF they are seeking. Court NOTED it is not discussing bond today. Matter TRAILED for the Court to finish its morning calendar. Matter RECALLED. Closing arguments by Mr. Gentile, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Parker, and Mr. Bult. COURT ORDERED, hearing will be in RECESS until tomorrow, August 16 at 9:15 am for the continuation of closing arguments. Mr. Bice advised the Court of an error on page 5 of his brief.;

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All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

#### **MINUTES**

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Journal Entry Details:

DAY 20 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-

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787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Closing arguments by Mr. Shevorski on behalf of the State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant, and Mr. Bice, Mr. Koch, Mr. Prince, Mr. Kahn, Mr. Graf, Ms. Shell, and Mr. Hone on behalf of the Intervenor Defendants. Rebuttal by Mr. Kemp, Mr. Gentile, Mr. Bult, and Mr. Parker. COURT DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to answer this question as a homework assignment: Which successful applicants completed the application in compliance with NRS 453D.206 at the time the application was filed in September 2018? Mr. Shevorski stated his best estimate to provide an answer would be next Tuesday by 5 pm. Court DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to circulate an email to everyone, including the Law Clerk. COURT ORDERED, matter will STAND SUBMITTED. Status Check SET on next Friday's (August 23, 2019) chambers calendar on the Court's decision. 8-19-19 9:00 AM INTERVENING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, INCREASE THE BOND AMOUNT ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME... ... MOTION TO RELEASE CASH BOND 8-23-19 CHAMBERS STATUS CHECK: COURT'S DECISION;

#### **SCHEDULED HEARINGS**

**Status Check** (08/23/2019 at 3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Status Check: Court's Decision

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Motion to Release Funds (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Motion to Release Cash Bond

Granted;

08/19/2019

Motion (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Events: 08/07/2019 Motion

Intervening Defendant's Motion to Dissolve Temporary Restraining Order, or, Alternatively, Increase The Bond Amount on Order Shortening Time

Denied;

08/19/2019



All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

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Journal Entry Details:

MOTION TO RELEASE CASH BOND...INTERVENING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, INCREASE THE BOND AMOUNT ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Counsel for Intervenor Defendants Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc. and Nevada Organic Remedies LLC, not present. Following arguments by Mr. Cristalli, Mr. Graf, and Mr. Gutierrez, COURT ORDERED, motion to release cash bond GRANTED. While the Court understands the issues related to "Tertech" (phonetic) this does not mean the bond's obligations are extinguished. The Court DECLINES to dissolve the TRO or increase the bond given the extensive issues the Court has heard related to injunctive relief. Mr. Shevorski advised he has spoken with Director Young but he has not heard back from her this morning. Court directed counsel to let everyone, including Court, know if the timeframe is too aggressive. Mr. Parker advised that the question the Court posed to Mr. Shevorski last Friday made him think over the weekend, that if there are intervenors that did not submit a complete application relative to owners, directors, officers, would they have standing to make an argument regarding the bond? Court stated it does not know, but a bond hearing will be set after the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are issued. If the Court grants the injunction it will probably keep the bond in place but will set an evidentiary hearing because Mr. Gentile had a witness to call. 8-23-19 CHAMBERS STATUS CHECK: COURT'S DECISION:

08/22/2019

Minute Order (10:08 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Minute Order re: State of Nevada Department of Taxation's Response to Court's Question on NRS 453D.200(6)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

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#### Journal Entry Details:

The Court MARKS the email from Mr. Shevorski as Court's Exhibit next in order -- Court's Exhibit 3. (See worksheet.) Any party wishing to object may SUBMIT objections by Monday, August 26, 2019 at 2 PM. CLERK'S NOTE: Minute Order corrected to reflect the email is MARKED as Court's Exhibit 3, not 2. A copy of this minute order was distributed to all parties via electronic mail. / dr 8-22-19;

#### 08/22/2019



Minute Order (10:53 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Minute Order Striking MM Development's Brief and Appendix filed 8/21/19 and Setting Objections for Hearing

#### MINUTES

Hearing Set;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court STRIKES the bench brief entitled MM Development Company Inc's and LivFree Wellness LLC Bench Brief Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) as well as the Appendix in Support of Bench Brief Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6), both filed August 21, 2019, as not requested by the Court following the conclusion of the preliminary injunction hearing. The brief may be refiled as an objection to Court's Exhibit 3 lodged this morning and all objections will be HEARD on Thursday, August 29, at 9 am. 8-29-19 9:00 AM OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6) CLERK'S NOTE: Minute order updated to reflect that the appendix in support of the bench brief was also STRICKEN. A copy of the updated minute order was distributed to the parties via electronic mail. / dr 8-22-19;

#### **SCHEDULED HEARINGS**

**Objection** (08/29/2019 at 9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth) Objections to State of Nevada Department of Taxation's Response to Court's Ouestion on NRS 453D.200(6)

#### 08/23/2019



Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Status Check: Court's Decision

Decision Made;

Journal Entry Details:

Decision issued. 8-29-19 9:00 AM OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6);

#### 08/29/2019

Objection (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Objections to State of Nevada Department of Taxation's Response to Court's Question on NRS 453D.200(6)

Matter Heard;

#### 08/29/2019

Motion (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Plaintiff Nevada Wellness Center's Motion Regarding Compliance with Physical Address Requirements of NRS 453D.210(5)(b), NAC 453D265(1)(b), and NAC 453D.268(2)(e) Denied;

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All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Matter Heard; BOND \$5 million in business court cases collectively Journal Entry Details:

PLAINTIFF NEVADA WELLNESS CENTER'S MOTION REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PHYSICAL ADDRESS REQUIREMENTS OF NRS 453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D265(1)(B), AND NAC 453D.268(2)(E)...OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6) APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case). Ms. Shell participated by telephone. Court advised that after it released its Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law a copy was sent to each of the judges that are not in business court, notifying the judges that this Court has completed the hearing on the preliminary injunction

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and that they are to handle the remainder of their cases; the Court has not heard from any of them. Court further inquired as to whether there would be any objection to advancing Lone Mountain's Motion to Strike, which was set for August 30th. Mr. Kemp stated they would like to file an Opposition. Mr. Gentile advised he did not file a written joinder to Mr. Parker's motion that is on today's calendar, so for the record they join. COURT FURTHER NOTED it will address the BOND issue today. Following arguments by counsel, COURT ORDERED as follows: PLAINTIFF NEVADA WELLNESS CENTER'S MOTION REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PHYSICAL ADDRESS REQUIREMENTS OF NRS 453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D265(1)(B), AND NAC 453D.268(2)(E): Everyone who participated in the hearing process recognizes that the process used by the Nevada Department of Taxation was flawed; it was adversely impacted by changing the physical address location midstream in the application distribution process; given the Nevada Supreme Court's Decision in the NuLeaf case, the Court DENIES the motion. OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6): The question the Court asked the Department of Taxation at the conclusion of arguments was made based on a suggestion by one of the Defendants in Intervention that a narrower scope for injunctive relief might be appropriate. The question the Court asked was which successful applicants completed the application in compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) at the time the application was filed in September 2018. Because the Court did not have unredacted versions of the applications for all applicants, it was impossible and it remains impossible for the Court to make a determination, which is why the Court has asked the State to make that determination since that is within their records. The standard on injunctive relief is different from the standard that the parties will face at trial or at summary judgment if this matter should proceed, and based on the limited information that was provided to the parties through disclosures as part of the injunctive relief hearing, there was a hearing based on what the Court would characterize as extremely limited information, the Court is NOT GRANTING any affirmative relief to Clear River as requested, because that was not the purpose of this hearing. The Court previously made the determination that it would exclude applicants who properly completed the applications in accordance with NRS 453D.200(6) at the time the application was filed in September 2018. The applicants who fit into that category based upon the State's email to the Court are those in the first and second tier as identified by the State. While the Court understands the argument of some of the parties that certain other information was available that may not be within the scope of the Court's question, the Court's question was limited for a reason. Those in the third category will be subject to injunctive relief which is described in page 24 of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law; those in the first and second category will be excluded from that relief. Any request for modifications by the State based on the State's review of the applications that were submitted by the applicant during the application period will be submitted by motion by the State, and all of the parties will have opportunities to submit briefs and argument that they think are appropriate. The Court is not precluding the State from making any other determinations in this very flawed process. The State will determine how to handle any corrections to this process. Any issues should be directed to the Department based on information that was in the applications at the time. The Court is not going to do the goose gander analysis urged upon the Court by one of the parties under the Whitehead decision. BOND: Mr. Kemp advised the Court of the availability of Mr. Gentile's expert. Court noted it has received no briefing on the bond. Arguments by Mr. Kahn, Mr. Koch, Mr. Hone, Mr. Prince, Mr. Gentile, and Mr. Kemp. COURT ORDERED, while it appreciates comments from all counsel related to the amount of the bond, the risks of businesses actually opening prior to trial in this matter as well as the risks of any business that is a start-up or new location make it difficult for the Court to place a value on the income stream of any of those entities, which is what the bond needs to be based on, as losses suffered as a result of injunctive relief. For that reason, the Court SETS a fair BOND of \$5 million TO BE POSTED in ten (10) days. Mr. Koch argued the \$5 million should be posted in each of the cases. COURT ORDERED it is only being posted in the business court cases, collectively. This does not include the amount previously posted. 9-9-19 9:00 AM MANDATORY RULE 16 CONFERENCE CLERK'S NOTE: Following this proceeding, Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Motion to Strike MM Development Company, Inc. and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) on Order Shortening Time, originally set for Friday, August 30th VACATED per counsel's request.;

08/30/2019

CANCELED Motion to Strike (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Motion to Strike MM Development Company, Inc. and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Objection to State s Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) on Order Shortening Time

09/09/2019

Mandatory Rule 16 Conference (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)

# CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-19-786962-B

	CASE 110. A-17-760702-D	
	09/09/2019, 09/13/2019	
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	Journal Entry Details:	
	APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation.	
	Court acknowledged objections and joint proposal and noted that it wants this matter done by	
	the December final inspection deadline; however, the parties' proposed schedule is through	
	January. Mr. Shevorski advised he lost two of his people; one went to Washington and one got	
	a promotion, so he is literally the only one left; from the State's perspective, he cannot get this done by the deadline. Mr. Bult stated that in terms of the ETW Plaintiffs they would like to get	
	this done but they understand the State's position. Mr. Koch requested that the date not be a	
	hard deadline because of the trial being after that. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED	
	for the State to provide an answer; Department of Taxation to make the determination whether	
	or not there are extenuating circumstances; if there the Court will be willing to move the date beyond the December deadline, but if there are not extenuating circumstances, unfortunately	
	the Court will have to make Mr. Shevoski's life difficult. Mr. Gentile advised they have	
	mediation next Monday (September 16, 2019) at 9 am. 9-13-19 10:00 AM MANDATORY	
	RULE 16 CONFERENCE;	
	Matter Continued;	
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	2019) at 9 am. 9-13-19 10:00 AM MANDATORY RULE 16 CONFERENCE;	
10/18/2019	Motion to Release (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)	
10/16/2019	Defendant's Motion to Release Surety Bond	
01/06/2020	Status Check: Trial Readiness (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)	
02/20/2020	Pre Trial Conference (9:15 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)	
03/10/2020	Calendar Call (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)	
03/16/2020	Bench Trial (1:30 PM) (Judicial Officer: Gonzalez, Elizabeth)	
DATE	FINANCIAL INFORMATION	
	<b>Defendant</b> State of Nevada Department of Taxation	
	Total Charges	223.00
	Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	223.00
	Datance Due as 01 9/25/2019	0.00
	Intervenor Defendant Clear River, LLC	
	Total Charges	2,083.00
	Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	1,883.00 <b>200.00</b>
	Datance Due as 01 7/23/2017	200.00
	Intervenor Defendant GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC	
	Total Charges	1,907.00
	Total Payments and Credits  Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	1,907.00
	Datance Due as 01 9/25/2019	0.00

# CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-19-786962-B

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Intervenor Defendant Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	1,683.00 1,683.00 <b>0.00</b>
Counter Claimant Integral Associates, LLC Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	2,033.00 1,713.00 <b>320.00</b>
Intervenor Defendant Lone Mountain Partners, LLC Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	1,483.00 1,483.00 <b>0.00</b>
Other MM Development Company, Inc. Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	14.00 14.00 <b>0.00</b>
Other MM Development Company, Inc. Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	3.50 3.50 <b>0.00</b>
Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	1,507.00 1,507.00 <b>0.00</b>
Counter Defendant Serenity Wellness Center LLC Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 9/23/2019	1,891.50 1,891.50 <b>0.00</b>
Other Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Appeal Bond Balance as of 9/23/2019	500.00
<b>Counter Defendant</b> Serenity Wellness Center LLC Temporary Restraining Order Balance as of 9/23/2019	0.00

## BUSINESS COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET A-19-786962-B

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	Case No. (Assigned by Clerk's C	ffice)	Department 11
. Party Information (provide both ho	me and mailing addresses if different)		
Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone):			c(s) (name/address/phone):
Serenity Wellness Center, LLC; TGIG, LL	C; Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC;	-	The State of Nevada, Dept. of Taxation
Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC; Tryke	Companies So NV, LLC; Tryke		
Companies Reno, LLC; Paradise Wellness Center	, LLC; GBS Nevada Partners, LLC,; et al.		
attorney (name/address/phone):		Attorney (	(name/address/phone):
Dominic P. Gentile NV Bar 1923 / Vir	ncent S. Savarese NV Bar 2467		
Gentile Cristalli Miller	Armeni Savarese		
410 S. Rampart Blvd., Suite 420, LV	V, NV 89145 / (702) 880-0000		
I. Nature of Controversy (Please c	heck the applicable boxes for both the ci	vil case type	e and business court case type)
Arbitration Requested			
	Filing Types		Business Court Filing Types
Real Property	Torts		CLARK COUNTY BUSINESS COURT
Landlord/Tenant	Negligence		NRS Chapters 78-89
Unlawful Detainer	Auto		Commodities (NRS 91)
Other Landlord/Tenant	Premises Liability		Securities (NRS 90)
Title to Property	Other Negligence		Mergers (NRS 92A)
Judicial Foreclosure	Malpractice		Uniform Commercial Code (NRS 104)
Foreclosure Mediation Assistance	Medical/Dental		Purchase/Sale of Stock, Assets, or Real Estate
Other Title to Property	Legal		Trademark or Trade Name (NRS 600)
Other Real Property	Accounting		Enhanced Case Management
Condemnation/Eminent Domain	Other Malpractice		Other Business Court Matters
Other Real Property			
Construction Defect & Contract	Other Torts	-	WASHOE COUNTY BUSINESS COURT
Construction Defect	Product Liability		NRS Chapters 78-88
Chapter 40	Intentional Misconduct		Commodities (NRS 91)
Other Construction Defect	Employment Tort		Securities (NRS 90)
Contract Case	Insurance Tort		Investments (NRS 104 Art.8)
Uniform Commercial Code	Other Tort		Deceptive Trade Practices (NRS 598)
Building and Construction	Civil Writs		Trademark/Trade Name (NRS 600)
Insurance Carrier	Writ of Habeas Corpus		Trade Secrets (NRS 600A)
Commercial Instrument	Writ of Mandamus		Enhanced Case Management
Collection of Accounts	Writ of Quo Warrant		Other Business Court Matters
Employment Contract	Writ of Prohibition		
Other Contract	Other Civil Writ		
Judicial Review/Ap	peal/Other Civil Filing		
Appeal Other	Other Civil Filing		
Appeal from Lower Court	Foreign Judgment		
	Other Civil Matters		
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## DISTRICT COURT

## **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

SERENITY WELLNESS CENTER, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, TGIG, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, NULEAF INCLINE DISPENSARY, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, NEVADA HOLISTIC MEDICÎNE, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, TRYKE COMPANIES SO NV, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, TRYKE COMPANIES RENO, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, PARADISE WELLNESS CENTER, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, GBS NEVADA PARTNERS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, FIDELIS HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, GRAVITAS NEVADA, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, NEVADA PURE, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, MEDIFARM, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, DOE PLAINTIFFS I through X; and ROE ENTITY PLAINTIFFS I through X,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

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THE STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION,

Defendant(s).

and

NEVADA ORGANIC REMEDIES, LLC;
INTEGRAL ASSOCIATES LLC d/b/a
ESSENCE CANNABIS DISPENSARIES, a
Nevada limited liability company; ESSENCE
TROPICANA, LLC, a Nevada limited liability
company; ESSENCE HENDERSON, LLC, a
Nevada limited liability company; CPCM
HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS
MARKETPLACE, COMMERCE PARK
MEDICAL, LLC, a Nevada limited liability
company; and CHEYENNE MEDICAL, LLC, a
Nevada limited liability company; LONE
MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC, a Nevada

Case No. A-19-786962-B Dept. No. 11

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW GRANTING PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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limited liability partnership; HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC., a Nevada corporation; GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and CLEAR RIVER, LLC.

## Intervenors.

This matter having come before the Court for an evidentiary hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction beginning on May 24, 2019, and occurring day to day thereafter until its completion on August 16, 2019; Dominic P. Gentile, Esq., Vincent Savarese III, Esq., Michael V. Cristalli, Esq., and Ross J. Miller, Esq., of the law firm Gentile Cristalli Miller Armeni Savarese, appeared on behalf of Serenity Wellness Center, LLC, TGIG, LLC, Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC, Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC, Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC, Tryke Companies Reno, LLC, Paradise Wellness Center, LLC, GBS Nevada Partners, LLC, Fidelis Holdings, LLC, Gravitas Nevada, LLC, Nevada Pure, LLC, Medifarm, LLC (Case No. A786962-B) (the "Serenity Plaintiffs"); Adam K. Bult, Esq. and Maximilien D. Fetaz, Esq., of the law firm Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs ETW Management Group LLC, Global Harmony LLC, Green Leaf Farms Holdings LLC, Green Therapeutics LLC, Herbal Choice INC., Just Quality, LLC, Libra Wellness Center, LLC, Rombough Real Estate Inc. dba Mother Herb, NevCann LLC, Red Earth LLC, THC Nevada LLC, Zion Gardens LLC, and MMOF Vegas Retail, Inc. (Case No. A787004-B) (the "ETW Plaintiffs"); William S. Kemp, Esq. and Nathaniel R. Rulis, Esq., of the law firm Kemp, Jones & Coulthard LLP, appeared on behalf of MM Development Company, Inc. and LivFree Wellness LLC (Case No. A785818-W) (the "MM Plaintiffs"); Theodore Parker III, Esq., of the law firm Parker Nelson & Associates, appeared on behalf of Nevada Wellness Center (Case No. A787540-W) (collectively the "Plaintiffs"); Steven G. Shevorski, Esq., Ketan D. Bhirud, Esq., and Theresa M. Haar, Esq., of the Office of the Nevada Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the State of Nevada, Department of Taxation; David R. Koch, Esq., of the law firm Koch & Scow LLC, appeared on behalf

Although a preservation order was entered on December 13, 2018, in A785818, no discovery in any case was done prior to the commencement of the evidentiary hearing, in part due to procedural issues and to statutory restrictions on disclosure of certain information modified by SB 32 just a few days before the commencement of the hearing. As a result, the hearing was much longer than anticipated by any of the participating counsel. In compliance with SB 32, the State produced previously confidential information on May 21, 2019. These documents were reviewed for confidentiality by the Defendants in Intervention and certain redactions were made prior to production consistent with the protective order entered on May 24, 2019.

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of Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC; Brigid M. Higgins, Esq. and Rusty Graf, Esq., of the law firm Black & Lobello, appeared on behalf of Clear River, LLC; Eric D. Hone, Esq., of the law firm H1 Law Group, appeared on behalf of Lone Mountain Partners, LLC; Alina M. Shell, Esq., of the law firm McLetchie Law, appeared on behalf of GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC; Jared Kahn, Esq., of the law firm JK Legal & Consulting, LLC, appeared on behalf of Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.; and Joseph A. Gutierrez, Esq., of the law firm Majer Gutierrez & Associates, and Philip M. Hymanson, Esq., of the law firm Hymanson & Hymanson; Todd Bice, Esq. and Jordan T. Smith, Esq. of the law firm Pisanelli Bice; and Dennis Prince, Esq. of the Prince Law Group appeared on behalf of Integral Associates LLC d/b/a Essence Cannabis Dispensaries, Essence Tropicana, LLC, Essence Henderson, LLC, CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace, Commerce Park Medical, LLC, and Cheyenne Medical, LLC (the "Essence/Thrive Entities"). The Court, having read and considered the pleadings filed by the parties; having reviewed the evidence admitted during the evidentiary hearing; and having heard and carefully considered the testimony of the witnesses called to testify; having considered the oral and written arguments of counsel, and with the intent of deciding the Motion for a Preliminary Injunction,<sup>2</sup> makes the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### PROCEDURAL POSTURE

Plaintiffs are a group of unrelated commercial entities who applied for, but did not receive, licenses to operate retail recreational marijuana establishments in various local jurisdictions throughout the state. Defendant is Nevada's Department of Taxation ("DoT"), which is the administrative agency responsible for issuing the licenses. Some successful applicants for licensure intervened as Defendants.

The Serenity Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Preliminary Injunction on March 19, 2019, asking for a preliminary injunction to:

- Enjoin the denial of Plaintiffs applications;
- Enjoin the enforcement of the licenses granted;
- c. Enjoin the enforcement and implementation of NAC 453D;

The findings made in this Order are preliminary in nature based upon the limited evidence presented after very limited discovery permitted on an expedited basis and may be modified based upon additional evidence presented to the Court at the ultimate trial of the business court matters.

- d. An order restoring the *status quo ante* prior to the DoT's adoption of NAC 453D; and
- e. Several orders compelling discovery.

This Court reviewed the Serenity Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction and at a hearing on April 22, 2019, invited Plaintiffs in related cases, not assigned to Business Court, to participate in the evidentiary hearing on the Motion for Preliminary Injunction being heard in Department 11 for the purposes of hearing and deciding the Motions for Preliminary Injunction.<sup>3</sup>

### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Attorney General's Office was forced to deal with a significant impediment at the early stages of the litigation. This inability to disclose certain information was outside of its control because of confidentiality requirements that have now been slightly modified by SB 32. Although the parties stipulated to a protective order on May 24, 2019, many documents produced in preparation for the hearing and for discovery purposes were heavily redacted because of the highly competitive nature of the industry and sensitive financial and commercial information being produced.

All parties agree that the language of an initiative takes precedence over any regulation that is in conflict and that an administrative agency has some discretion in determining how to implement the initiative. The Court gives deference to the agency in establishing those regulations and creating the framework required to implement those provisions in conformity with the initiative.

The complaints filed by the parties participating in the hearing seek declaratory relief, injunctive relief and writs of mandate, among other claims. The motions and joinders seeking injunctive relief which have been reviewed by the Court in conjunction with this hearing include:

A786962-B Serenity: Serenity Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction filed 3/19/19 (Joinder to Motion by Compassionate Team: 5/17; Joinder to Motion by ETW: 5/6 (filed in A787004); and Joinder to Motion by Nevada Wellness: 5/10 (filed in A787540)); Opposition by the State filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/23); Opposition by Nevada Organic Remedies: 5/9 (Joinder by Lone Mountain: 5/13; Joinder by Helping Hands: 5/21; and Joinder by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/23). Application for TRO on OST filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Compassionate Team: 5/17; and Joinder by ETW: 5/10 (filed in A787004)); Opposition by Nevada Organic Remedies: 5/9 (Joinder by Clear River: 5/9); Opposition by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/10 (Joinder by GreenMart: 5/10; Joinder by Lone Mountain: 5/11; and Joinder by helping Hands: 5/12).

A785818-W MM Development: MM Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction or Writ of Mandamus filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Serenity: 5/20 (filed in A786962); Joinder by ETW: 5/6 (filed in A787004 and A785818); and Joinder by Nevada Wellness: 5/10 (filed in A787540)).

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The initiative to legalize recreational marijuana, Ballot Question 2 ("BQ2"), went to the voters in 2016. The language of BQ2 is independent of any regulations that were adopted by the DoT. The Court must balance the mandatory provisions of BQ2 (which the DoT did not have discretion to modify);<sup>4</sup> those provisions with which the DoT was granted some discretion in implementation;<sup>5</sup> and the inherent discretion of an administrative agency to implement regulations to carry out its statutory duties. The Court must give great deference to those activities that fall within the discretionary functions of the agency. Deference is not given where the actions of the DoT were in violation of BQ2 or were arbitrary and capricious.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Nevada allows voters to amend its Constitution or enact legislation through the initiative process. Nevada Constitution, Article 19, Section 2.

Article 19, Section 2(3) provides the touchstone for the mandatory provisions:

.... An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the Legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect.

NRS 453D.200(1) required the adoption of regulations for the licensure and oversight of recreational marijuana cultivation, manufacturing/production, sales and distribution, but provides the DoT discretion in exactly what those regulations would include.

... the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter. The regulations must not prohibit the operation of marijuana establishments, either expressly or through regulations that make their operation unreasonably impracticable. The regulations shall include:

- (a) Procedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of a license to operate a marijuana establishment;
- (b) Qualifications for licensure that are directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment;
  - (c) Requirements for the security of marijuana establishments;
- (d) Requirements to prevent the sale or diversion of marijuana and marijuana products to persons under 21 years of age;
- (e) Requirements for the packaging of marijuana and marijuana products, including requirements for child-resistant packaging;
- (f) Requirements for the testing and labeling of marijuana and marijuana products sold by marijuana establishments including a numerical indication of potency based on the ratio of THC to the weight of a product intended for oral consumption;
  - (g) Requirements for record keeping by marijuana establishments;
  - (h) Reasonable restrictions on signage, marketing, display, and advertising;
  - (i) Procedures for the collection of taxes, fees, and penalties imposed by this chapter;
- (j) Procedures and requirements to enable the transfer of a license for a marijuana establishment to another qualified person and to enable a licensee to move the location of its establishment to another suitable location;
- (k) Procedures and requirements to enable a dual licensee to operate medical marijuana establishments and marijuana establishments at the same location;
  - (1) Procedures to establish the fair market value at wholesale of marijuana; and
- (m) Civil penalties for the failure to comply with any regulation adopted pursuant to this section or for any violation of the provisions of NRS 453D.300.

- 2. In 2000, the voters amended Nevada's Constitution to allow for the possession and use of marijuana to treat various medical conditions. Nevada Constitution, Article 4, Section 38(1)(a). The initiative left it to the Legislature to create laws "[a]uthoriz[ing] appropriate methods for supply of the plant to patients authorized to use it." Nevada Constitution, Article 4, Section 38(1)(e).
- 3. For several years prior to the enactment of BQ2, the regulation of medical marijuana dispensaries had not been taken up by the Legislature. Some have argued in these proceedings that the delay led to the framework of BQ2.
- 4. In 2013, Nevada's legislature enacted NRS 453A, which allows for the cultivation and sale of medical marijuana. The Legislature described the requirements for the application to open a medical marijuana establishment. NRS 453A.322. The Nevada Legislature then charged the Division of Public and Behavioral Health with evaluating the applications. NRS 453A.328.
- 5. The materials circulated to voters in 2016 for BQ2 described its purpose as the amendment of the Nevada Revised Statutes as follows:

Shall the *Nevada Revised Statutes* be amended to allow a person, 21 years old or older, to purchase, cultivate, possess, or consume a certain amount of marijuana or concentrated marijuana, as well as manufacture, possess, use, transport, purchase, distribute, or sell marijuana paraphernalia; impose a 15 percent excise tax on wholesale sales of marijuana; require the regulation and licensing of marijuana cultivators, testing facilities, distributors, suppliers, and retailers; and provide for certain criminal penalties?

- 6. BQ2 was enacted by the Nevada Legislature and is codified at NRS 453D.<sup>6</sup>
- 7. BQ2 specifically identified regulatory and public safety concerns:

The People of the State of Nevada proclaim that marijuana should be regulated in a manner similar to alcohol so that:

- (a) Marijuana may only be purchased from a business that is licensed by the State of Nevada:
- (b) Business owners are subject to a review by the State of Nevada to confirm that the business owners and the business location are suitable to produce or sell marijuana;
- (c) Cultivating, manufacturing, testing, transporting and selling marijuana will be strictly controlled through State licensing and regulation;

As the provisions of BQ2 and the sections NRS 453D currently in effect (with the exception of NRS 453D.205) are identical, for ease of reference the Court cites to BQ2 as enacted by the Nevada Legislature in NRS 453D.

(d) Selling or giving marijuana to persons under 21 years of age shall remain illegal;

(e) Individuals will have to be 21 years of age or older to purchase marijuana;

(f) Driving under the influence of marijuana will remain illegal; and

(g) Marijuana sold in the State will be tested and labeled.

NRS 453D.020(3).

8. BQ2 mandated the DoT to "conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." NRS 453D.200(6).

- 9. On November 8, 2016, by Executive Order 2017-02, Governor Brian Sandoval established a Task Force composed of 19 members to offer suggestions and proposals for legislative, regulatory, and executive actions to be taken in implementing BQ2.
- 10. The Task Force's findings, issued on May 30, 2017, referenced the 2014 licensing process for issuing Medical Marijuana Establishment Registration Certificates under NRS 453A. The Task Force recommended that "the qualifications for licensure of a marijuana establishment and the impartial numerically scored bidding process for retail marijuana stores be maintained as in the medical marijuana program except for a change in how local jurisdictions participate in selection of locations."
  - 11. Some of the Task Force's recommendations appear to conflict with BQ2.<sup>7</sup>

The Final Task Force report (Exhibit 2009) contained the following statements:

The Task Force recommends that retail marijuana ownership interest requirements remain consistent with the medical marijuana program. . . . at 2510.

The requirement identified by the Task Force at the time was contained in NAC 453A.302(1) which states:

Except as otherwise required in subsection 2, the requirements of this chapter concerning owners of medical marijuana establishments only apply to a person with an aggregate ownership interest of 5 percent or more in a medical marijuana establishment.

The second recommendation of concern is:

The Task Force recommends that NRS 453A be changed to address companies that own marijuana establishment licenses in which there are owners with less than 5% ownership interest in the company. The statute should be amended to:

\*Limit fingerprinting, background checks and renewal of agent cards to owners officers and board members with 5% or less cumulatively of the company to once every five years;

\*Only require owners officers and board members with 5% or more cumulatively and employees of the company to obtain agent registration cards; and

- 12. During the 2017 legislative session Assembly Bill 422 transferred responsibility for the registration, licensing, and regulation of marijuana establishments from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health to the DoT.<sup>8</sup>
- 13. On February 27, 2018, the DoT adopted regulations governing the issuance, suspension, or revocation of retail recreational marijuana licenses in LCB File No. R092-17, which were codified in NAC 453D (the "Regulations").
- 14. The Regulations for licensing were to be "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment." NRS 453D.200(1)(b). The phrase "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment" is subject to more than one interpretation.

at 2515-2516.

Those provisions (a portion of which became NRS 453D.205) are consistent with BQ2:

- 1. When conducting a background check pursuant to subsection 6 of <u>NRS 453D.200</u>, the Department may require each prospective owner, officer and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant to submit a complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.
- 2. When determining the criminal history of a person pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 453D.300, a marijuana establishment may require the person to submit to the Department a complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.

<sup>\*</sup>Use the marijuana establishments governing documents to determine who has approval rights and signatory authority for purposes of signing ownership transfers, applications and any other appropriate legal or regulatory documents.

There was Task Force dissent on the recommendation. The concern with this recommendation was that by changing the requirements on fingerprinting and background checks, the state would have less knowledge of when an owner, officer, and board member commits an offense not allowed under current marijuana law, potentially creating a less safe environment in the state.

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NRS 453D.210(6) mandated the DoT to use "an impartial and numerically scored competitive bidding process" to determine successful applicants where competing applications were submitted.

16. NAC 453D.272(1) provides the procedure for when the DoT receives more than one "complete" application. Under this provision the DoT will determine if the "application is complete and

- (7) Whether the person has previously had a medical marijuana establishment agent registration card or marijuana establishment agent registration card revoked;
- (8) Whether the person is an attending provider of health care currently providing written documentation for the issuance of registry identification cards or letters of approval;
  - (9) Whether the person is a law enforcement officer;
  - (10) Whether the person is currently an employee or contractor of the Department; and
- (11) Whether the person has an ownership or financial investment interest in any other medical marijuana establishment or marijuana establishment.
- 5. For each owner, officer and board member of the proposed marijuana establishment:
- (a) An attestation signed and dated by the owner, officer or board member that he or she has not been convicted of an excluded felony offense, and that the information provided to support the application for a license for a marijuana establishment is true and correct;
- (b) A narrative description, not to exceed 750 words, demonstrating:
- (1) Past experience working with governmental agencies and highlighting past experience in giving back to the community through civic or philanthropic involvement;
  - (2) Any previous experience at operating other businesses or nonprofit organizations; and
  - (3) Any demonstrated knowledge, business experience or expertise with respect to marijuana; and
- (c) A resume.
- 6. Documentation concerning the size of the proposed marijuana establishment, including, without limitation, building and general floor plans with supporting details.
- 7. The integrated plan of the proposed marijuana establishment for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale, including, without limitation, a plan for testing and verifying marijuana, a transportation or delivery plan and procedures to ensure adequate security measures, including, without limitation, building security and product security.
- 8. A plan for the business which includes, without limitation, a description of the inventory control system of the proposed marijuana establishment to satisfy the requirements of  $\underline{NRS}$  453D.300 and  $\underline{NAC}$  453D.426.
- 9. A financial plan which includes, without limitation:
- (a) Financial statements showing the resources of the applicant;
- (b) If the applicant is relying on money from an owner, officer or board member, evidence that the person has unconditionally committed such money to the use of the applicant in the event the Department awards a license to the applicant and the applicant obtains the necessary approvals from the locality to operate the proposed marijuana establishment; and
- (c) Proof that the applicant has adequate money to cover all expenses and costs of the first year of operation.
- 10. Evidence that the applicant has a plan to staff, educate and manage the proposed marijuana establishment on a daily basis, which must include, without limitation:
- (a) A detailed budget for the proposed marijuana establishment, including pre-opening, construction and first-year operating expenses;
- (b) An operations manual that demonstrates compliance with this chapter;
- (c) An education plan which must include, without limitation, providing educational materials to the staff of the proposed marijuana establishment; and
- (d) A plan to minimize the environmental impact of the proposed marijuana establishment.
- 11. If the application is submitted on or before November 15, 2018, for a license for a marijuana distributor, proof that the applicant holds a wholesale dealer license issued pursuant to <u>chapter 369</u> of NRS, unless the Department determines that an insufficient number of marijuana distributors will result from this limitation.
- 12. A response to and information which supports any other criteria the Department determines to be relevant, which will be specified and requested by the Department at the time the Department issues a request for applications which includes the point values that will be allocated to the applicable portions of the application pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 453D.260.

in compliance with this chapter and Chapter 453D of NRS, the Department will rank the applications . . . in order from first to last based on the compliance with the provisions of this chapter and chapter 453D of NRS and on the content of the applications relating to . . ." several enumerated factors. NAC 453D.272(1).

- 17. The factors set forth in NAC 453D.272(1) that are used to rank competing applications (collectively, the "Factors") are:
  - (a) Whether the owners, officers or board members have experience operating another kind of business that has given them experience which is applicable to the operation of a marijuana establishment;
  - (b) The diversity of the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (c) The educational achievements of the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (d) The financial plan and resources of the applicant, both liquid and illiquid;
  - (e) Whether the applicant has an adequate integrated plan for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale;
  - (f) The amount of taxes paid and other beneficial financial contributions, including, without limitation, civic or philanthropic involvement with this State or its political subdivisions, by the applicant or the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (g) Whether the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment have direct experience with the operation of a medical marijuana establishment or marijuana establishment in this State and have demonstrated a record of operating such an establishment in compliance with the laws and regulations of this State for an adequate period of time to demonstrate success;
  - (h) The (unspecified) experience of key personnel that the applicant intends to employ in operating the type of marijuana establishment for which the applicant seeks a license; and
  - (i) Any other criteria that the Department determines to be relevant.
- 18. Each of the Factors is within the DoT's discretion in implementing the application process provided for in BQ2. The DoT had a good-faith basis for determining that each of the Factors is "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment."
- 19. The DoT posted the application on its website and released the application for recreational marijuana establishment licenses on July 6, 2018.<sup>10</sup>

The DoT made a change to the application after circulating the first version of the application to delete the requirement of a physical location. The modification resulted in a different version of the application bearing the same "footer" with the original version remaining available on the DoT's website.

- 20. The DoT utilized a question and answer process through a generic email account at marijuana@tax.state.nv.us to allow applicants to ask questions and receive answers directly from the Department, which were not consistent with NRS 453D, and that information was not further disseminated by the DoT to other applicants.
- 21. In addition to the email question and answer process, the DoT permitted applicants and their representatives to personally contact the DoT staff about the application process.
  - 22. The application period ran from September 7, 2018 through September 20, 2018.
- 23. The DoT accepted applications in September 2018 for retail recreational marijuana licenses and announced the award of conditional licenses in December 2018.
  - 24. The DoT used a listsery to communicate with prospective applicants.
- 25. The DoT published a revised application on July 30, 2018. This revised application was sent to all participants in the DoT's listserv directory. The revised application modified a sentence on attachment A of the application. Prior to this revision, the sentence had read, "Marijuana Establishment's proposed physical address (this must be a Nevada address and cannot be a P.O. Box)." The revised application on July 30, 2018, read: "Marijuana Establishment's proposed physical address if the applicant owns property or has secured a lease or other property agreement (this must be a Nevada address and not a P.O. Box). Otherwise, the applications are virtually identical.
- 26. The DoT sent a copy of the revised application through the listserv service used by the DoT. Not all Plaintiffs' correct emails were included on this listserv service.
- 27. The July 30, 2018 application, like its predecessor, described how applications were to be scored. The scoring criteria was divided into identified criteria and non-identified criteria. The maximum points that could be awarded to any applicant based on these criteria was 250 points.
- 28. The identified criteria consisted of organizational structure of the applicant (60 points); evidence of taxes paid to the State of Nevada by owners, officers, and board members of the applicant

in the last 5 years (25 points); a financial plan (30 points); and documents from a financial institution showing unencumbered liquid assets of \$250,000 per location for which an application is submitted.

- 29. The non-identified criteria consisted of documentation concerning the integrated plan of the proposed marijuana establishment for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale (40 points); evidence that the applicant has a plan to staff, educate and manage the proposed recreational marijuana establishment on a daily basis (30 points); a plan describing operating procedures for the electronic verification system of the proposed marijuana establishment and describing the proposed establishment's inventory control system (20 points); building plans showing the proposed establishment's adequacy to serve the needs of its customers (20 points); and, a proposal explaining likely impact of the proposed marijuana establishment in the community and how it will meet customer needs (15 points).
- 30. An applicant was permitted to submit a single application for all jurisdictions in which it was applying, and the application would be scored at the same time.
  - 31. By September 20, 2018, the DoT received a total of 462 applications.
- 32. In order to grade and rank the applications the DoT posted notices that it was seeking to hire individuals with specified qualifications necessary to evaluate applications. The DoT interviewed applicants and made decisions on individuals to hire for each position.
- 33. When decisions were made on who to hire, the individuals were notified that they would need to register with "Manpower" under a pre-existing contract between the DoT and that company. Individuals would be paid through Manpower, as their application-grading work would be of a temporary nature.
- 34. The DoT identified, hired, and trained eight individuals to grade the applications, including three to grade the identified portions of the applications, three to grade the non-identified

portions of the applications, and one administrative assistant for each group of graders (collectively the "Temporary Employees").

- 35. It is unclear how the DoT trained the Temporary Employees. While portions of the training materials were introduced into evidence, testimony regarding the oral training based upon example applications was insufficient for the Court to determine the nature and extent of the training of the Temporary Employees.<sup>11</sup>
- 36. NAC 453D.272(1) required the DoT to determine that an Application is "complete and in compliance" with the provisions of NAC 453D in order to properly apply the licensing criteria set forth therein and the provisions of the Ballot Initiative and the enabling statute.
- 37. When the DoT received applications, it undertook no effort to determine if the applications were in fact "complete and in compliance."
- 38. In evaluating whether an application was "complete and in compliance" the DoT made no effort to verify owners, officers or board members (except for checking whether a transfer request was made and remained pending before the DoT).
- 39. For purposes of grading the applicant's organizational structure and diversity, if an applicant's disclosure in its application of its owners, officers, and board members did not match the DoT's own records, the DoT did not penalize the applicant. Rather the DoT permitted the grading, and in some cases, awarded a conditional license to an applicant under such circumstances, and dealt with the issue by simply informing the winning applicant that its application would have to be brought into conformity with DoT records.
- 40. The DoT created a Regulation that modified the mandatory BQ2 provision "[t]he Department shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant" and determined it would only require information on the

Given the factual issues related to the grading raised by MM and LivFree, these issues may be subject to additional evidentiary proceedings in the assigned department.

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application from persons "with an aggregate ownership interest of 5 percent or more in a marijuana establishment." NAC 453D.255(1).

- 41. NRS 453D.200(6) provides that "[t]he DoT shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." The DoT departed from this mandatory language in NAC 453D.255(1) and made no attempt in the application process to verify that the applicant's complied with the mandatory language of the BQ2 or even the impermissibly modified language.
- 42.. The DoT made the determination that it was not reasonable to require industry to provide every owner of a prospective licensee. The DOT's determination that only owners of a 5% or greater interest in the business were required to submit information on the application was not a permissible regulatory modification of BQ2. This determination violated Article 19, Section 3 of the Nevada Constitution. The determination was not based on a rational basis.
- The limitation of "unreasonably impracticable" in BQ2<sup>12</sup> does not apply to the 43. mandatory language of BQ2, but to the Regulations which the DoT adopted.
- The adoption of NAC 453D.255(1), as it applies to the application process is an 44. unconstitutional modification of BQ2. 13 The failure of the DoT to carry out the mandatory provisions of NRS 453D,200(6) is fatal to the application process. <sup>14</sup> The DoT's decision to adopt regulations in direct violation of BO2's mandatory application requirements is violative of Article 19, Section 2(3) of the Nevada Constitution.

NRS 453D.200(1) provides in part:

The regulations must not prohibit the operation of marijuana establishments, either expressly or through regulations that make their operation unreasonably impracticable.

For administrative and regulatory proceedings other than the application, the limitation of 5% or greater ownership appears within the DoT's discretion.

That provision states:

<sup>6.</sup> The Department shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant.

- 45. Given the lack of a robust investigative process for applicants, the requirement of the background check for each prospective owner, officer, and board member as part of the application process impedes an important public safety goal in BQ2.
- 46. Without any consideration as to the voters mandate in BQ2, the DoT determined that requiring each prospective owner be subject to a background check was too difficult for implementation by industry. This decision was a violation of the Nevada Constitution, an abuse of discretion, and arbitrary and capricious.
- 47. The DoT did not comply with BQ2 by requiring applicants to provide information for each prospective owner, officer and board member or verify the ownership of applicants applying for retail recreational marijuana licenses. Instead the DoT issued conditional licenses to applicants who did not identify each prospective owner, officer and board member.<sup>15</sup>
- 48. The DoT's late decision to delete the physical address requirement on some application forms while not modifying those portions of the application that were dependent on a physical location (i.e. floor plan, community impact, security plan, and the sink locations) after the repeated communications by an applicant's agent; not effectively communicating the revision; and, leaving the original version of the application on the website, is evidence of conduct that is a serious issue.
- 49. Pursuant to NAC 453D.295, the winning applicants received a conditional license that will not be finalized unless within twelve months of December 5, 2018, the licensees receive a final inspection of their marijuana establishment.

Some applicants apparently provided the required information for each prospective owner, officer and board member. Accepting as truthful these applicants' attestations regarding who their owners, officers, and board members were at the time of the application, these applications were complete at the time they were filed with reference to NRS 453D.200(6). These entities are Green Therapeutics LLC, Eureka NewGen Farms LLC, Circle S Farms LLC, Deep Roots Medical LLC, Pure Tonic Concentrates LLC, Wellness Connection of Nevada LLC, Polaris Wellness Center LLC, and TRNVP098 LLC, Clear River LLC, Cheyenne Medical LLC, Essence Tropicana LLC, Essence Henderson LLC, and Commerce Park Medical LLC. See Court Exhibit 3 (post-hearing submission by the DoT).

- 50. The few instances of clear mistakes made by the Temporary Employees admitted in evidence do not, in and of themselves, result in an unfair process as human error occurs in every process.
- 51. Nothing in NRS 453D or NAC 453D provides for any right to an appeal or review of a decision denying an application for a retail recreational marijuana license.
- 52. There are an extremely limited number of licenses available for the sale of recreational marijuana.
- 53. The number of licenses available was set by BQ2 and is contained in NRS 453D.210(5)(d).
- 54. Since the Court does not have authority to order additional licenses in particular jurisdictions, and because there are a limited number of licenses that are available in certain jurisdictions, injunctive relief is necessary to permit the Plaintiffs, if successful in the NRS 453D.210(6) process, to actually obtaining a license, if ultimately successful in this litigation.
  - 55. The secondary market for the transfer of licenses is limited. 16
- 56. If any findings of fact are properly conclusions of law, they shall be treated as if appropriately identified and designated.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 57. "Any person...whose rights, status or other legal relations are affected by a statute, municipal ordinance, contract or franchise, may have determined any question of construction or validity arising under the instrument, statute, ordinance, contract or franchise and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder." NRS 30.040.
- 58. A justiciable controversy is required to exist prior to an award of declaratory relief. *Doe* v. *Bryan*, 102 Nev. 523, 525, 728 P.2d 443, 444 (1986).

The testimony elicited during the evidentiary hearing established that multiple changes in ownership have occurred since the applications were filed. Given this testimony, simply updating the applications previously filed would not comply with BQ2.

- 59. NRS 33.010 governs cases in which an injunction may be granted. The applicant must show (1) a likelihood of success on the merits; and (2) a reasonable probability that the non-moving party's conduct, if allowed to continue, will cause irreparable harm for which compensatory damage is an inadequate remedy.
- 60. Plaintiffs have the burden to demonstrate that the DoT's conduct, if allowed to continue, will result in irreparable harm for which compensatory damages is an inadequate remedy.
- 61. The purpose of a preliminary injunction is to preserve the *status quo* until the matter can be litigated on the merits.
- 62. In City of Sparks v. Sparks Mun. Court, the Supreme Court explained, "[a]s a constitutional violation may be difficult or impossible to remedy through money damages, such a violation may, by itself, be sufficient to constitute irreparable harm." 129 Nev. 348, 357, 302 P.3d 1118, 1124 (2013).
- 63. Article 19, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada provides, in pertinent part:
  - "1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of article 4 of this constitution, but subject to the limitations of section 6 of this article, the people reserve to themselves the power to propose, by initiative petition, statutes and amendments to statutes and amendments to this constitution, and to enact or reject them at the polls.

. . .

3. If the initiative petition proposes a statute or an amendment to a statute, the person who intends to circulate it shall file a copy with the secretary of state before beginning circulation and not earlier than January 1 of the year preceding the year in which a regular session of the legislature is held. After its circulation, it shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than 30 days prior to any regular session of the legislature. The circulation of the petition shall cease on the day the petition is filed with the secretary of state or such other date as may be prescribed for the verification of the number of signatures affixed to the petition, whichever is earliest. The secretary of state shall transmit such petition to the legislature as soon as the legislature convenes and organizes. The petition shall take precedence over all other measures except appropriation bills, and the statute or amendment to a statute proposed thereby shall be enacted or rejected by the legislature without change or amendment within 40 days. If the proposed statute or amendment to a statute is enacted by the legislature and approved by the governor in the same manner as other statutes are enacted, such statute or amendment to a statute shall become law, but shall be subject to referendum petition as provided in section 1 of this article.

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If the statute or amendment to a statute is rejected by the legislature, or if no action is taken thereon within 40 days, the secretary of state shall submit the question of approval or disapproval of such statute or amendment to a statute to a vote of the voters at the next succeeding general election. If a majority of the voters voting on such question at such election votes approval of such statute or amendment to a statute, it shall become law and take effect upon completion of the canvass of votes by the supreme court. An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect."

(Emphasis added.)

- The Nevada Supreme Court has recognized that "[i]nitiative petitions must be kept 64. substantively intact; otherwise, the people's voice would be obstructed. . . [I]nitiative legislation is not subject to judicial tampering-the substance of an initiative petition should reflect the unadulterated will of the people and should proceed, if at all, as originally proposed and signed. For this reason, our constitution prevents the Legislature from changing or amending a proposed initiative petition that is under consideration." Rogers v. Heller, 117 Nev. 169, 178, 18 P.3d 1034,1039-40 (2001).
- 65. BQ2 provides, "the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter." NRS 453D.200(1). This language does not confer upon the DoT unfettered or unbridled authority to do whatever it wishes without constraint. The DoT was not delegated the power to legislate amendments because this is initiative legislation. The Legislature itself has no such authority with regard to NRS 453D until three years after its enactment under the prohibition of Article 19, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada.
- 66. Where, as here, amendment of a voter-initiated law is temporally precluded from amendment for three years, the administrative agency may not modify the law.
- NRS 453D.200(1) provides that "the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or 67. convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter." The Court finds that the words "necessary or convenient" are susceptible to at least two reasonable interpretations. This limitation applies only to Regulations adopted by the DoT.

- 68. While the category of diversity is not specifically included in the language of BQ2, the evidence presented in the hearing demonstrates that a rational basis existed for the inclusion of this category in the Factors and the application.
- 69. The DoT's inclusion of the diversity category was implemented in a way that created a process which was partial and subject to manipulation by applicants.
- 70. The DoT staff provided various applicants with different information as to what would be utilized from this category and whether it would be used merely as a tiebreaker or as a substantive category.
- 71. Based upon the evidence adduced, the Court finds that the DoT selectively discussed with applicants or their agents the modification of the application related to physical address information.
- 72. The process was impacted by personal relationships in decisions related to the requirements of the application and the ownership structures of competing applicants. This in and of itself is insufficient to void the process as urged by some of the Plaintiffs.
- 73. The DoT disseminated various versions of the 2018 Retail Marijuana Application, one of which was published on the DoT's website and required the applicant to provide an actual physical Nevada address for the proposed marijuana establishment, and not a P.O. Box, (see Exhibit 5), whereas an alternative version of the DoT's application form, which was not made publicly available and was distributed to some, but not all, of the applicants via a DoT listserv service, deleted the requirement that applicants disclose an actual physical address for their proposed marijuana establishment. See Exhibit 5A.
- 74. The applicants were applying for conditional licensure, which would last for 1 year. NAC 453D.282. The license was conditional based on the applicant's gaining approval from local

authorities on zoning and land use, the issuance of a business license, and the Department of Taxation inspections of the marijuana establishment.

- 75. The DoT has only awarded conditional licenses which are subject to local government approval related to zoning and planning and may approve a location change of an existing license, the public safety apsects of the failure to require an actual physical address can be cured prior to the award of a final license.
- 76. By selectively eliminating the requirement to disclose an actual physical address for each and every proposed retail recreational marijuana establishment, the DoT limited the ability of the Temporary Employees to adequately assess graded criteria such as (i) prohibited proximity to schools and certain other public facilities, (ii) impact on the community, (iii) security, (iv) building plans, and (v) other material considerations prescribed by the Regulations.
  - 77. The hiring of Temporary Employees was well within the DoT's discretionary power.
- 78. The evidence establishes that the DoT failed to properly train the Temporary Employees. This is not an appropriate basis for the requested injunctive relief unless it makes the grading process unfair.
- 79. The DoT failed to establish any quality assurance or quality control of the grading done by Temporary Employees. <sup>17</sup> This is not an appropriate basis for the requested injunctive relief unless it makes the grading process unfair.
- 80. The DoT made licensure conditional for one year based on the grant of power to create regulations that develop "[p]rocedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of a license to operate a marijuana establishment." NRS 453D.200(1)(a). This was within the DoT's discretion.

The Court makes no determination as to the extent which the grading errors alleged by MM and Live Free may be subject to other appropriate writ practice related to those individualized issues by the assigned department.

- 81. Certain of DoT's actions related to the licensing process were nondiscretionary modifications of BQ2's mandatory requirements. The evidence establishes DoT's deviations constituted arbitrary and capricious conduct without any rational basis for the deviation.
- 82. The DoT's decision to not require disclosure on the application and to not conduct background checks of persons owning less than 5% prior to award of a conditional license is an impermissible deviation from the mandatory language of BQ2, which mandated "a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." NRS 453D.200(6).
- 83. The argument that the requirement for each owner to comply with the application process and background investigation is "unreasonably impracticable" is misplaced. The limitation of unreasonably impracticable applied only to the Regulations not to the language and compliance with BQ2 itself.
- 84. Under the circumstances presented here, the Court concludes that certain of the Regulations created by the DoT are unreasonable, inconsistent with BQ2 and outside of any discretion permitted to the DoT.
- 85. The DoT acted beyond its scope of authority when it arbitrarily and capriciously replaced the mandatory requirement of BQ2, for the background check of each prospective owner, officer and board member with the 5% or greater standard in NAC 453.255(1). This decision by the DoT was not one they were permitted to make as it resulted in a modification of BQ2 in violation of Article 19, Section 2(3) of the Nevada Constitution.
- 86. As Plaintiffs have shown that the DoT clearly violated NRS Chapter 453D, the claims for declaratory relief, petition for writ of prohibition, and any other related claims is likely to succeed on the merits.
  - 87. The balance of equities weighs in favor of Plaintiffs.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED ORDERED AND DECREED that Plaintiffs' Motions for Preliminary Injunction are granted in part.

The State is enjoined from conducting a final inspection of any of the conditional licenses issued in or about December 2018 who did not provide the identification of each prospective owner, officer and board member as required by NRS 453D.200(6) pending a trial on the merits.<sup>19</sup>

The issue of whether to increase the existing bond is set for hearing on August 29, 2019, at 9:00 am.

The parties in A786962 and A787004 are to appear for a Rule 16 conference September 9, 2019, at 9:00 am and submit their respective plans for discovery on an expedited schedule by noon on September 6, 2019.

DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2019.

Elizabeth Gonzalez, District Court Judge

#### Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on the date filed, this Order was electronically served, pursuant to N.E.F.C.R. Rule 9, to all registered parties in the Eighth Judicial District Court Electronic Filing Program.

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As Court Exhibit 3 is a post-hearing submission by the DoT, the parties may file objections and/or briefs related to this issue. Any issues related to the inclusion or exclusion from this group will be heard August 29, 2019, at 9:00 am.

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Nevada limited liability company; ESSENCE

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of Pisanelli Bice PLLC, and that on this 28th day of August, 2019, I caused to be served via the Court's e-filing/e-service system true and correct copies of the above **NOTICE OF ENTRY** to all parties listed on the Court's Master Service List.

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limited liability partnership; HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC., a Nevada corporation; GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and CLEAR RIVER, LLC.

#### Intervenors.

This matter having come before the Court for an evidentiary hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction beginning on May 24, 2019, and occurring day to day thereafter until its completion on August 16, 2019; Dominic P. Gentile, Esq., Vincent Savarese III, Esq., Michael V. Cristalli, Esq., and Ross J. Miller, Esq., of the law firm Gentile Cristalli Miller Armeni Savarese, appeared on behalf of Serenity Wellness Center, LLC, TGIG, LLC, Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC, Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC, Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC, Tryke Companies Reno, LLC, Paradise Wellness Center, LLC, GBS Nevada Partners, LLC, Fidelis Holdings, LLC, Gravitas Nevada, LLC, Nevada Pure, LLC, Medifarm, LLC (Case No. A786962-B) (the "Serenity Plaintiffs"); Adam K. Bult, Esq. and Maximilien D. Fetaz, Esq., of the law firm Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs ETW Management Group LLC, Global Harmony LLC, Green Leaf Farms Holdings LLC, Green Therapeutics LLC, Herbal Choice INC., Just Quality, LLC, Libra Wellness Center, LLC, Rombough Real Estate Inc. dba Mother Herb, NevCann LLC, Red Earth LLC, THC Nevada LLC, Zion Gardens LLC, and MMOF Vegas Retail, Inc. (Case No. A787004-B) (the "ETW Plaintiffs"); William S. Kemp, Esq. and Nathaniel R. Rulis, Esq., of the law firm Kemp, Jones & Coulthard LLP, appeared on behalf of MM Development Company, Inc. and LivFree Wellness LLC (Case No. A785818-W) (the "MM Plaintiffs"); Theodore Parker III, Esq., of the law firm Parker Nelson & Associates, appeared on behalf of Nevada Wellness Center (Case No. A787540-W) (collectively the "Plaintiffs"); Steven G. Shevorski, Esq., Ketan D. Bhirud, Esq., and Theresa M. Haar, Esq., of the Office of the Nevada Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the State of Nevada, Department of Taxation; David R. Koch, Esq., of the law firm Koch & Scow LLC, appeared on behalf

Although a preservation order was entered on December 13, 2018, in A785818, no discovery in any case was done prior to the commencement of the evidentiary hearing, in part due to procedural issues and to statutory restrictions on disclosure of certain information modified by SB 32 just a few days before the commencement of the hearing. As a result, the hearing was much longer than anticipated by any of the participating counsel. In compliance with SB 32, the State produced previously confidential information on May 21, 2019. These documents were reviewed for confidentiality by the Defendants in Intervention and certain redactions were made prior to production consistent with the protective order entered on May 24, 2019.

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of Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC; Brigid M. Higgins, Esq. and Rusty Graf, Esq., of the law firm Black & Lobello, appeared on behalf of Clear River, LLC; Eric D. Hone, Esq., of the law firm H1 Law Group, appeared on behalf of Lone Mountain Partners, LLC; Alina M. Shell, Esq., of the law firm McLetchie Law, appeared on behalf of GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC; Jared Kahn, Esq., of the law firm JK Legal & Consulting, LLC, appeared on behalf of Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.; and Joseph A. Gutierrez, Esq., of the law firm Majer Gutierrez & Associates, and Philip M. Hymanson, Esq., of the law firm Hymanson & Hymanson; Todd Bice, Esq. and Jordan T. Smith, Esq. of the law firm Pisanelli Bice; and Dennis Prince, Esq. of the Prince Law Group appeared on behalf of Integral Associates LLC d/b/a Essence Cannabis Dispensaries, Essence Tropicana, LLC, Essence Henderson, LLC, CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace, Commerce Park Medical, LLC, and Cheyenne Medical, LLC (the "Essence/Thrive Entities"). The Court, having read and considered the pleadings filed by the parties; having reviewed the evidence admitted during the evidentiary hearing; and having heard and carefully considered the testimony of the witnesses called to testify; having considered the oral and written arguments of counsel, and with the intent of deciding the Motion for a Preliminary Injunction,<sup>2</sup> makes the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### PROCEDURAL POSTURE

Plaintiffs are a group of unrelated commercial entities who applied for, but did not receive, licenses to operate retail recreational marijuana establishments in various local jurisdictions throughout the state. Defendant is Nevada's Department of Taxation ("DoT"), which is the administrative agency responsible for issuing the licenses. Some successful applicants for licensure intervened as Defendants.

The Serenity Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Preliminary Injunction on March 19, 2019, asking for a preliminary injunction to:

- Enjoin the denial of Plaintiffs applications;
- Enjoin the enforcement of the licenses granted;
- c. Enjoin the enforcement and implementation of NAC 453D;

The findings made in this Order are preliminary in nature based upon the limited evidence presented after very limited discovery permitted on an expedited basis and may be modified based upon additional evidence presented to the Court at the ultimate trial of the business court matters.

- d. An order restoring the *status quo ante* prior to the DoT's adoption of NAC 453D; and
- e. Several orders compelling discovery.

This Court reviewed the Serenity Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction and at a hearing on April 22, 2019, invited Plaintiffs in related cases, not assigned to Business Court, to participate in the evidentiary hearing on the Motion for Preliminary Injunction being heard in Department 11 for the purposes of hearing and deciding the Motions for Preliminary Injunction.<sup>3</sup>

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Attorney General's Office was forced to deal with a significant impediment at the early stages of the litigation. This inability to disclose certain information was outside of its control because of confidentiality requirements that have now been slightly modified by SB 32. Although the parties stipulated to a protective order on May 24, 2019, many documents produced in preparation for the hearing and for discovery purposes were heavily redacted because of the highly competitive nature of the industry and sensitive financial and commercial information being produced.

All parties agree that the language of an initiative takes precedence over any regulation that is in conflict and that an administrative agency has some discretion in determining how to implement the initiative. The Court gives deference to the agency in establishing those regulations and creating the framework required to implement those provisions in conformity with the initiative.

The complaints filed by the parties participating in the hearing seek declaratory relief, injunctive relief and writs of mandate, among other claims. The motions and joinders seeking injunctive relief which have been reviewed by the Court in conjunction with this hearing include:

A786962-B Serenity: Serenity Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction filed 3/19/19 (Joinder to Motion by Compassionate Team: 5/17; Joinder to Motion by ETW: 5/6 (filed in A787004); and Joinder to Motion by Nevada Wellness: 5/10 (filed in A787540)); Opposition by the State filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/23); Opposition by Nevada Organic Remedies: 5/9 (Joinder by Lone Mountain: 5/13; Joinder by Helping Hands: 5/21; and Joinder by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/23). Application for TRO on OST filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Compassionate Team: 5/17; and Joinder by ETW: 5/10 (filed in A787004)); Opposition by Nevada Organic Remedies: 5/9 (Joinder by Clear River: 5/9); Opposition by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/10 (Joinder by GreenMart: 5/10; Joinder by Lone Mountain: 5/11; and Joinder by helping Hands: 5/12).

A785818-W MM Development: MM Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction or Writ of Mandamus filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Serenity: 5/20 (filed in A786962); Joinder by ETW: 5/6 (filed in A787004 and A785818); and Joinder by Nevada Wellness: 5/10 (filed in A787540)).

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The initiative to legalize recreational marijuana, Ballot Question 2 ("BQ2"), went to the voters in 2016. The language of BQ2 is independent of any regulations that were adopted by the DoT. The Court must balance the mandatory provisions of BQ2 (which the DoT did not have discretion to modify);<sup>4</sup> those provisions with which the DoT was granted some discretion in implementation;<sup>5</sup> and the inherent discretion of an administrative agency to implement regulations to carry out its statutory duties. The Court must give great deference to those activities that fall within the discretionary functions of the agency. Deference is not given where the actions of the DoT were in violation of BQ2 or were arbitrary and capricious.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Nevada allows voters to amend its Constitution or enact legislation through the initiative process. Nevada Constitution, Article 19, Section 2.

Article 19, Section 2(3) provides the touchstone for the mandatory provisions:

.... An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the Legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect.

NRS 453D.200(1) required the adoption of regulations for the licensure and oversight of recreational marijuana cultivation, manufacturing/production, sales and distribution, but provides the DoT discretion in exactly what those regulations would include.

... the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter. The regulations must not prohibit the operation of marijuana establishments, either expressly or through regulations that make their operation unreasonably impracticable. The regulations shall include:

- (a) Procedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of a license to operate a marijuana establishment;
- (b) Qualifications for licensure that are directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment;
  - (c) Requirements for the security of marijuana establishments;
- (d) Requirements to prevent the sale or diversion of marijuana and marijuana products to persons under 21 years of age;
- (e) Requirements for the packaging of marijuana and marijuana products, including requirements for child-resistant packaging;
- (f) Requirements for the testing and labeling of marijuana and marijuana products sold by marijuana establishments including a numerical indication of potency based on the ratio of THC to the weight of a product intended for oral consumption;
  - (g) Requirements for record keeping by marijuana establishments;
  - (h) Reasonable restrictions on signage, marketing, display, and advertising;
  - (i) Procedures for the collection of taxes, fees, and penalties imposed by this chapter;
- (j) Procedures and requirements to enable the transfer of a license for a marijuana establishment to another qualified person and to enable a licensee to move the location of its establishment to another suitable location;
- (k) Procedures and requirements to enable a dual licensee to operate medical marijuana establishments and marijuana establishments at the same location;
  - (1) Procedures to establish the fair market value at wholesale of marijuana; and
- (m) Civil penalties for the failure to comply with any regulation adopted pursuant to this section or for any violation of the provisions of NRS 453D.300.

- 2. In 2000, the voters amended Nevada's Constitution to allow for the possession and use of marijuana to treat various medical conditions. Nevada Constitution, Article 4, Section 38(1)(a). The initiative left it to the Legislature to create laws "[a]uthoriz[ing] appropriate methods for supply of the plant to patients authorized to use it." Nevada Constitution, Article 4, Section 38(1)(e).
- 3. For several years prior to the enactment of BQ2, the regulation of medical marijuana dispensaries had not been taken up by the Legislature. Some have argued in these proceedings that the delay led to the framework of BQ2.
- 4. In 2013, Nevada's legislature enacted NRS 453A, which allows for the cultivation and sale of medical marijuana. The Legislature described the requirements for the application to open a medical marijuana establishment. NRS 453A.322. The Nevada Legislature then charged the Division of Public and Behavioral Health with evaluating the applications. NRS 453A.328.
- 5. The materials circulated to voters in 2016 for BQ2 described its purpose as the amendment of the Nevada Revised Statutes as follows:

Shall the *Nevada Revised Statutes* be amended to allow a person, 21 years old or older, to purchase, cultivate, possess, or consume a certain amount of marijuana or concentrated marijuana, as well as manufacture, possess, use, transport, purchase, distribute, or sell marijuana paraphernalia; impose a 15 percent excise tax on wholesale sales of marijuana; require the regulation and licensing of marijuana cultivators, testing facilities, distributors, suppliers, and retailers; and provide for certain criminal penalties?

- 6. BQ2 was enacted by the Nevada Legislature and is codified at NRS 453D.<sup>6</sup>
- 7. BQ2 specifically identified regulatory and public safety concerns:

The People of the State of Nevada proclaim that marijuana should be regulated in a manner similar to alcohol so that:

- (a) Marijuana may only be purchased from a business that is licensed by the State of Nevada:
- (b) Business owners are subject to a review by the State of Nevada to confirm that the business owners and the business location are suitable to produce or sell marijuana;
- (c) Cultivating, manufacturing, testing, transporting and selling marijuana will be strictly controlled through State licensing and regulation;

As the provisions of BQ2 and the sections NRS 453D currently in effect (with the exception of NRS 453D.205) are identical, for ease of reference the Court cites to BQ2 as enacted by the Nevada Legislature in NRS 453D.

(d) Selling or giving marijuana to persons under 21 years of age shall remain illegal;

(e) Individuals will have to be 21 years of age or older to purchase marijuana;

(f) Driving under the influence of marijuana will remain illegal; and

(g) Marijuana sold in the State will be tested and labeled.

NRS 453D.020(3).

8. BQ2 mandated the DoT to "conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." NRS 453D.200(6).

- 9. On November 8, 2016, by Executive Order 2017-02, Governor Brian Sandoval established a Task Force composed of 19 members to offer suggestions and proposals for legislative, regulatory, and executive actions to be taken in implementing BQ2.
- 10. The Task Force's findings, issued on May 30, 2017, referenced the 2014 licensing process for issuing Medical Marijuana Establishment Registration Certificates under NRS 453A. The Task Force recommended that "the qualifications for licensure of a marijuana establishment and the impartial numerically scored bidding process for retail marijuana stores be maintained as in the medical marijuana program except for a change in how local jurisdictions participate in selection of locations."
  - 11. Some of the Task Force's recommendations appear to conflict with BQ2.<sup>7</sup>

The Final Task Force report (Exhibit 2009) contained the following statements:

The Task Force recommends that retail marijuana ownership interest requirements remain consistent with the medical marijuana program. . . . at 2510.

The requirement identified by the Task Force at the time was contained in NAC 453A.302(1) which states:

Except as otherwise required in subsection 2, the requirements of this chapter concerning owners of medical marijuana establishments only apply to a person with an aggregate ownership interest of 5 percent or more in a medical marijuana establishment.

The second recommendation of concern is:

The Task Force recommends that NRS 453A be changed to address companies that own marijuana establishment licenses in which there are owners with less than 5% ownership interest in the company. The statute should be amended to:

\*Limit fingerprinting, background checks and renewal of agent cards to owners officers and board members with 5% or less cumulatively of the company to once every five years;

\*Only require owners officers and board members with 5% or more cumulatively and employees of the company to obtain agent registration cards; and

- 12. During the 2017 legislative session Assembly Bill 422 transferred responsibility for the registration, licensing, and regulation of marijuana establishments from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health to the DoT.<sup>8</sup>
- 13. On February 27, 2018, the DoT adopted regulations governing the issuance, suspension, or revocation of retail recreational marijuana licenses in LCB File No. R092-17, which were codified in NAC 453D (the "Regulations").
- 14. The Regulations for licensing were to be "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment." NRS 453D.200(1)(b). The phrase "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment" is subject to more than one interpretation.

at 2515-2516.

Those provisions (a portion of which became NRS 453D.205) are consistent with BQ2:

- 1. When conducting a background check pursuant to subsection 6 of <u>NRS 453D.200</u>, the Department may require each prospective owner, officer and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant to submit a complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.
- 2. When determining the criminal history of a person pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 453D.300, a marijuana establishment may require the person to submit to the Department a complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.

<sup>\*</sup>Use the marijuana establishments governing documents to determine who has approval rights and signatory authority for purposes of signing ownership transfers, applications and any other appropriate legal or regulatory documents.

There was Task Force dissent on the recommendation. The concern with this recommendation was that by changing the requirements on fingerprinting and background checks, the state would have less knowledge of when an owner, officer, and board member commits an offense not allowed under current marijuana law, potentially creating a less safe environment in the state.

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NRS 453D.210(6) mandated the DoT to use "an impartial and numerically scored competitive bidding process" to determine successful applicants where competing applications were submitted.

16. NAC 453D.272(1) provides the procedure for when the DoT receives more than one "complete" application. Under this provision the DoT will determine if the "application is complete and

- (7) Whether the person has previously had a medical marijuana establishment agent registration card or marijuana establishment agent registration card revoked;
- (8) Whether the person is an attending provider of health care currently providing written documentation for the issuance of registry identification cards or letters of approval;
  - (9) Whether the person is a law enforcement officer;
  - (10) Whether the person is currently an employee or contractor of the Department; and
- (11) Whether the person has an ownership or financial investment interest in any other medical marijuana establishment or marijuana establishment.
- 5. For each owner, officer and board member of the proposed marijuana establishment:
- (a) An attestation signed and dated by the owner, officer or board member that he or she has not been convicted of an excluded felony offense, and that the information provided to support the application for a license for a marijuana establishment is true and correct;
- (b) A narrative description, not to exceed 750 words, demonstrating:
- (1) Past experience working with governmental agencies and highlighting past experience in giving back to the community through civic or philanthropic involvement;
  - (2) Any previous experience at operating other businesses or nonprofit organizations; and
  - (3) Any demonstrated knowledge, business experience or expertise with respect to marijuana; and
- (c) A resume.
- 6. Documentation concerning the size of the proposed marijuana establishment, including, without limitation, building and general floor plans with supporting details.
- 7. The integrated plan of the proposed marijuana establishment for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale, including, without limitation, a plan for testing and verifying marijuana, a transportation or delivery plan and procedures to ensure adequate security measures, including, without limitation, building security and product security.
- 8. A plan for the business which includes, without limitation, a description of the inventory control system of the proposed marijuana establishment to satisfy the requirements of  $\underline{NRS}$  453D.300 and  $\underline{NAC}$  453D.426.
- 9. A financial plan which includes, without limitation:
- (a) Financial statements showing the resources of the applicant;
- (b) If the applicant is relying on money from an owner, officer or board member, evidence that the person has unconditionally committed such money to the use of the applicant in the event the Department awards a license to the applicant and the applicant obtains the necessary approvals from the locality to operate the proposed marijuana establishment; and
- (c) Proof that the applicant has adequate money to cover all expenses and costs of the first year of operation.
- 10. Evidence that the applicant has a plan to staff, educate and manage the proposed marijuana establishment on a daily basis, which must include, without limitation:
- (a) A detailed budget for the proposed marijuana establishment, including pre-opening, construction and first-year operating expenses;
- (b) An operations manual that demonstrates compliance with this chapter;
- (c) An education plan which must include, without limitation, providing educational materials to the staff of the proposed marijuana establishment; and
- (d) A plan to minimize the environmental impact of the proposed marijuana establishment.
- 11. If the application is submitted on or before November 15, 2018, for a license for a marijuana distributor, proof that the applicant holds a wholesale dealer license issued pursuant to <u>chapter 369</u> of NRS, unless the Department determines that an insufficient number of marijuana distributors will result from this limitation.
- 12. A response to and information which supports any other criteria the Department determines to be relevant, which will be specified and requested by the Department at the time the Department issues a request for applications which includes the point values that will be allocated to the applicable portions of the application pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 453D.260.

in compliance with this chapter and Chapter 453D of NRS, the Department will rank the applications . . . in order from first to last based on the compliance with the provisions of this chapter and chapter 453D of NRS and on the content of the applications relating to . . ." several enumerated factors. NAC 453D.272(1).

- 17. The factors set forth in NAC 453D.272(1) that are used to rank competing applications (collectively, the "Factors") are:
  - (a) Whether the owners, officers or board members have experience operating another kind of business that has given them experience which is applicable to the operation of a marijuana establishment;
  - (b) The diversity of the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (c) The educational achievements of the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (d) The financial plan and resources of the applicant, both liquid and illiquid;
  - (e) Whether the applicant has an adequate integrated plan for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale;
  - (f) The amount of taxes paid and other beneficial financial contributions, including, without limitation, civic or philanthropic involvement with this State or its political subdivisions, by the applicant or the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (g) Whether the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment have direct experience with the operation of a medical marijuana establishment or marijuana establishment in this State and have demonstrated a record of operating such an establishment in compliance with the laws and regulations of this State for an adequate period of time to demonstrate success;
  - (h) The (unspecified) experience of key personnel that the applicant intends to employ in operating the type of marijuana establishment for which the applicant seeks a license; and
  - (i) Any other criteria that the Department determines to be relevant.
- 18. Each of the Factors is within the DoT's discretion in implementing the application process provided for in BQ2. The DoT had a good-faith basis for determining that each of the Factors is "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment."
- 19. The DoT posted the application on its website and released the application for recreational marijuana establishment licenses on July 6, 2018.<sup>10</sup>

The DoT made a change to the application after circulating the first version of the application to delete the requirement of a physical location. The modification resulted in a different version of the application bearing the same "footer" with the original version remaining available on the DoT's website.

- 20. The DoT utilized a question and answer process through a generic email account at marijuana@tax.state.nv.us to allow applicants to ask questions and receive answers directly from the Department, which were not consistent with NRS 453D, and that information was not further disseminated by the DoT to other applicants.
- 21. In addition to the email question and answer process, the DoT permitted applicants and their representatives to personally contact the DoT staff about the application process.
  - 22. The application period ran from September 7, 2018 through September 20, 2018.
- 23. The DoT accepted applications in September 2018 for retail recreational marijuana licenses and announced the award of conditional licenses in December 2018.
  - 24. The DoT used a listsery to communicate with prospective applicants.
- 25. The DoT published a revised application on July 30, 2018. This revised application was sent to all participants in the DoT's listserv directory. The revised application modified a sentence on attachment A of the application. Prior to this revision, the sentence had read, "Marijuana Establishment's proposed physical address (this must be a Nevada address and cannot be a P.O. Box)." The revised application on July 30, 2018, read: "Marijuana Establishment's proposed physical address if the applicant owns property or has secured a lease or other property agreement (this must be a Nevada address and not a P.O. Box). Otherwise, the applications are virtually identical.
- 26. The DoT sent a copy of the revised application through the listserv service used by the DoT. Not all Plaintiffs' correct emails were included on this listserv service.
- 27. The July 30, 2018 application, like its predecessor, described how applications were to be scored. The scoring criteria was divided into identified criteria and non-identified criteria. The maximum points that could be awarded to any applicant based on these criteria was 250 points.
- 28. The identified criteria consisted of organizational structure of the applicant (60 points); evidence of taxes paid to the State of Nevada by owners, officers, and board members of the applicant

in the last 5 years (25 points); a financial plan (30 points); and documents from a financial institution showing unencumbered liquid assets of \$250,000 per location for which an application is submitted.

- 29. The non-identified criteria consisted of documentation concerning the integrated plan of the proposed marijuana establishment for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale (40 points); evidence that the applicant has a plan to staff, educate and manage the proposed recreational marijuana establishment on a daily basis (30 points); a plan describing operating procedures for the electronic verification system of the proposed marijuana establishment and describing the proposed establishment's inventory control system (20 points); building plans showing the proposed establishment's adequacy to serve the needs of its customers (20 points); and, a proposal explaining likely impact of the proposed marijuana establishment in the community and how it will meet customer needs (15 points).
- 30. An applicant was permitted to submit a single application for all jurisdictions in which it was applying, and the application would be scored at the same time.
  - 31. By September 20, 2018, the DoT received a total of 462 applications.
- 32. In order to grade and rank the applications the DoT posted notices that it was seeking to hire individuals with specified qualifications necessary to evaluate applications. The DoT interviewed applicants and made decisions on individuals to hire for each position.
- 33. When decisions were made on who to hire, the individuals were notified that they would need to register with "Manpower" under a pre-existing contract between the DoT and that company. Individuals would be paid through Manpower, as their application-grading work would be of a temporary nature.
- 34. The DoT identified, hired, and trained eight individuals to grade the applications, including three to grade the identified portions of the applications, three to grade the non-identified

portions of the applications, and one administrative assistant for each group of graders (collectively the "Temporary Employees").

- 35. It is unclear how the DoT trained the Temporary Employees. While portions of the training materials were introduced into evidence, testimony regarding the oral training based upon example applications was insufficient for the Court to determine the nature and extent of the training of the Temporary Employees.<sup>11</sup>
- 36. NAC 453D.272(1) required the DoT to determine that an Application is "complete and in compliance" with the provisions of NAC 453D in order to properly apply the licensing criteria set forth therein and the provisions of the Ballot Initiative and the enabling statute.
- 37. When the DoT received applications, it undertook no effort to determine if the applications were in fact "complete and in compliance."
- 38. In evaluating whether an application was "complete and in compliance" the DoT made no effort to verify owners, officers or board members (except for checking whether a transfer request was made and remained pending before the DoT).
- 39. For purposes of grading the applicant's organizational structure and diversity, if an applicant's disclosure in its application of its owners, officers, and board members did not match the DoT's own records, the DoT did not penalize the applicant. Rather the DoT permitted the grading, and in some cases, awarded a conditional license to an applicant under such circumstances, and dealt with the issue by simply informing the winning applicant that its application would have to be brought into conformity with DoT records.
- 40. The DoT created a Regulation that modified the mandatory BQ2 provision "[t]he Department shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant" and determined it would only require information on the

Given the factual issues related to the grading raised by MM and LivFree, these issues may be subject to additional evidentiary proceedings in the assigned department.

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application from persons "with an aggregate ownership interest of 5 percent or more in a marijuana establishment." NAC 453D.255(1).

- 41. NRS 453D.200(6) provides that "[t]he DoT shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." The DoT departed from this mandatory language in NAC 453D.255(1) and made no attempt in the application process to verify that the applicant's complied with the mandatory language of the BQ2 or even the impermissibly modified language.
- 42.. The DoT made the determination that it was not reasonable to require industry to provide every owner of a prospective licensee. The DOT's determination that only owners of a 5% or greater interest in the business were required to submit information on the application was not a permissible regulatory modification of BQ2. This determination violated Article 19, Section 3 of the Nevada Constitution. The determination was not based on a rational basis.
- The limitation of "unreasonably impracticable" in BQ2<sup>12</sup> does not apply to the 43. mandatory language of BQ2, but to the Regulations which the DoT adopted.
- The adoption of NAC 453D.255(1), as it applies to the application process is an 44. unconstitutional modification of BQ2. 13 The failure of the DoT to carry out the mandatory provisions of NRS 453D,200(6) is fatal to the application process. <sup>14</sup> The DoT's decision to adopt regulations in direct violation of BO2's mandatory application requirements is violative of Article 19, Section 2(3) of the Nevada Constitution.

NRS 453D.200(1) provides in part:

The regulations must not prohibit the operation of marijuana establishments, either expressly or through regulations that make their operation unreasonably impracticable.

For administrative and regulatory proceedings other than the application, the limitation of 5% or greater ownership appears within the DoT's discretion.

That provision states:

<sup>6.</sup> The Department shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant.

- 45. Given the lack of a robust investigative process for applicants, the requirement of the background check for each prospective owner, officer, and board member as part of the application process impedes an important public safety goal in BQ2.
- 46. Without any consideration as to the voters mandate in BQ2, the DoT determined that requiring each prospective owner be subject to a background check was too difficult for implementation by industry. This decision was a violation of the Nevada Constitution, an abuse of discretion, and arbitrary and capricious.
- 47. The DoT did not comply with BQ2 by requiring applicants to provide information for each prospective owner, officer and board member or verify the ownership of applicants applying for retail recreational marijuana licenses. Instead the DoT issued conditional licenses to applicants who did not identify each prospective owner, officer and board member.<sup>15</sup>
- 48. The DoT's late decision to delete the physical address requirement on some application forms while not modifying those portions of the application that were dependent on a physical location (i.e. floor plan, community impact, security plan, and the sink locations) after the repeated communications by an applicant's agent; not effectively communicating the revision; and, leaving the original version of the application on the website, is evidence of conduct that is a serious issue.
- 49. Pursuant to NAC 453D.295, the winning applicants received a conditional license that will not be finalized unless within twelve months of December 5, 2018, the licensees receive a final inspection of their marijuana establishment.

Some applicants apparently provided the required information for each prospective owner, officer and board member. Accepting as truthful these applicants' attestations regarding who their owners, officers, and board members were at the time of the application, these applications were complete at the time they were filed with reference to NRS 453D.200(6). These entities are Green Therapeutics LLC, Eureka NewGen Farms LLC, Circle S Farms LLC, Deep Roots Medical LLC, Pure Tonic Concentrates LLC, Wellness Connection of Nevada LLC, Polaris Wellness Center LLC, and TRNVP098 LLC, Clear River LLC, Cheyenne Medical LLC, Essence Tropicana LLC, Essence Henderson LLC, and Commerce Park Medical LLC. See Court Exhibit 3 (post-hearing submission by the DoT).

- 50. The few instances of clear mistakes made by the Temporary Employees admitted in evidence do not, in and of themselves, result in an unfair process as human error occurs in every process.
- 51. Nothing in NRS 453D or NAC 453D provides for any right to an appeal or review of a decision denying an application for a retail recreational marijuana license.
- 52. There are an extremely limited number of licenses available for the sale of recreational marijuana.
- 53. The number of licenses available was set by BQ2 and is contained in NRS 453D.210(5)(d).
- 54. Since the Court does not have authority to order additional licenses in particular jurisdictions, and because there are a limited number of licenses that are available in certain jurisdictions, injunctive relief is necessary to permit the Plaintiffs, if successful in the NRS 453D.210(6) process, to actually obtaining a license, if ultimately successful in this litigation.
  - 55. The secondary market for the transfer of licenses is limited. 16
- 56. If any findings of fact are properly conclusions of law, they shall be treated as if appropriately identified and designated.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 57. "Any person...whose rights, status or other legal relations are affected by a statute, municipal ordinance, contract or franchise, may have determined any question of construction or validity arising under the instrument, statute, ordinance, contract or franchise and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder." NRS 30.040.
- 58. A justiciable controversy is required to exist prior to an award of declaratory relief. *Doe* v. *Bryan*, 102 Nev. 523, 525, 728 P.2d 443, 444 (1986).

The testimony elicited during the evidentiary hearing established that multiple changes in ownership have occurred since the applications were filed. Given this testimony, simply updating the applications previously filed would not comply with BQ2.

- 59. NRS 33.010 governs cases in which an injunction may be granted. The applicant must show (1) a likelihood of success on the merits; and (2) a reasonable probability that the non-moving party's conduct, if allowed to continue, will cause irreparable harm for which compensatory damage is an inadequate remedy.
- 60. Plaintiffs have the burden to demonstrate that the DoT's conduct, if allowed to continue, will result in irreparable harm for which compensatory damages is an inadequate remedy.
- 61. The purpose of a preliminary injunction is to preserve the *status quo* until the matter can be litigated on the merits.
- 62. In City of Sparks v. Sparks Mun. Court, the Supreme Court explained, "[a]s a constitutional violation may be difficult or impossible to remedy through money damages, such a violation may, by itself, be sufficient to constitute irreparable harm." 129 Nev. 348, 357, 302 P.3d 1118, 1124 (2013).
- 63. Article 19, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada provides, in pertinent part:
  - "1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of article 4 of this constitution, but subject to the limitations of section 6 of this article, the people reserve to themselves the power to propose, by initiative petition, statutes and amendments to statutes and amendments to this constitution, and to enact or reject them at the polls.

. . .

3. If the initiative petition proposes a statute or an amendment to a statute, the person who intends to circulate it shall file a copy with the secretary of state before beginning circulation and not earlier than January 1 of the year preceding the year in which a regular session of the legislature is held. After its circulation, it shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than 30 days prior to any regular session of the legislature. The circulation of the petition shall cease on the day the petition is filed with the secretary of state or such other date as may be prescribed for the verification of the number of signatures affixed to the petition, whichever is earliest. The secretary of state shall transmit such petition to the legislature as soon as the legislature convenes and organizes. The petition shall take precedence over all other measures except appropriation bills, and the statute or amendment to a statute proposed thereby shall be enacted or rejected by the legislature without change or amendment within 40 days. If the proposed statute or amendment to a statute is enacted by the legislature and approved by the governor in the same manner as other statutes are enacted, such statute or amendment to a statute shall become law, but shall be subject to referendum petition as provided in section 1 of this article.

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If the statute or amendment to a statute is rejected by the legislature, or if no action is taken thereon within 40 days, the secretary of state shall submit the question of approval or disapproval of such statute or amendment to a statute to a vote of the voters at the next succeeding general election. If a majority of the voters voting on such question at such election votes approval of such statute or amendment to a statute, it shall become law and take effect upon completion of the canvass of votes by the supreme court. An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect."

(Emphasis added.)

- The Nevada Supreme Court has recognized that "[i]nitiative petitions must be kept 64. substantively intact; otherwise, the people's voice would be obstructed. . . [I]nitiative legislation is not subject to judicial tampering-the substance of an initiative petition should reflect the unadulterated will of the people and should proceed, if at all, as originally proposed and signed. For this reason, our constitution prevents the Legislature from changing or amending a proposed initiative petition that is under consideration." Rogers v. Heller, 117 Nev. 169, 178, 18 P.3d 1034,1039-40 (2001).
- 65. BQ2 provides, "the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter." NRS 453D.200(1). This language does not confer upon the DoT unfettered or unbridled authority to do whatever it wishes without constraint. The DoT was not delegated the power to legislate amendments because this is initiative legislation. The Legislature itself has no such authority with regard to NRS 453D until three years after its enactment under the prohibition of Article 19, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada.
- 66. Where, as here, amendment of a voter-initiated law is temporally precluded from amendment for three years, the administrative agency may not modify the law.
- NRS 453D.200(1) provides that "the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or 67. convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter." The Court finds that the words "necessary or convenient" are susceptible to at least two reasonable interpretations. This limitation applies only to Regulations adopted by the DoT.

- 68. While the category of diversity is not specifically included in the language of BQ2, the evidence presented in the hearing demonstrates that a rational basis existed for the inclusion of this category in the Factors and the application.
- 69. The DoT's inclusion of the diversity category was implemented in a way that created a process which was partial and subject to manipulation by applicants.
- 70. The DoT staff provided various applicants with different information as to what would be utilized from this category and whether it would be used merely as a tiebreaker or as a substantive category.
- 71. Based upon the evidence adduced, the Court finds that the DoT selectively discussed with applicants or their agents the modification of the application related to physical address information.
- 72. The process was impacted by personal relationships in decisions related to the requirements of the application and the ownership structures of competing applicants. This in and of itself is insufficient to void the process as urged by some of the Plaintiffs.
- 73. The DoT disseminated various versions of the 2018 Retail Marijuana Application, one of which was published on the DoT's website and required the applicant to provide an actual physical Nevada address for the proposed marijuana establishment, and not a P.O. Box, (see Exhibit 5), whereas an alternative version of the DoT's application form, which was not made publicly available and was distributed to some, but not all, of the applicants via a DoT listserv service, deleted the requirement that applicants disclose an actual physical address for their proposed marijuana establishment. See Exhibit 5A.
- 74. The applicants were applying for conditional licensure, which would last for 1 year. NAC 453D.282. The license was conditional based on the applicant's gaining approval from local

authorities on zoning and land use, the issuance of a business license, and the Department of Taxation inspections of the marijuana establishment.

- 75. The DoT has only awarded conditional licenses which are subject to local government approval related to zoning and planning and may approve a location change of an existing license, the public safety apsects of the failure to require an actual physical address can be cured prior to the award of a final license.
- 76. By selectively eliminating the requirement to disclose an actual physical address for each and every proposed retail recreational marijuana establishment, the DoT limited the ability of the Temporary Employees to adequately assess graded criteria such as (i) prohibited proximity to schools and certain other public facilities, (ii) impact on the community, (iii) security, (iv) building plans, and (v) other material considerations prescribed by the Regulations.
  - 77. The hiring of Temporary Employees was well within the DoT's discretionary power.
- 78. The evidence establishes that the DoT failed to properly train the Temporary Employees. This is not an appropriate basis for the requested injunctive relief unless it makes the grading process unfair.
- 79. The DoT failed to establish any quality assurance or quality control of the grading done by Temporary Employees. <sup>17</sup> This is not an appropriate basis for the requested injunctive relief unless it makes the grading process unfair.
- 80. The DoT made licensure conditional for one year based on the grant of power to create regulations that develop "[p]rocedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of a license to operate a marijuana establishment." NRS 453D.200(1)(a). This was within the DoT's discretion.

The Court makes no determination as to the extent which the grading errors alleged by MM and Live Free may be subject to other appropriate writ practice related to those individualized issues by the assigned department.

- 81. Certain of DoT's actions related to the licensing process were nondiscretionary modifications of BQ2's mandatory requirements. The evidence establishes DoT's deviations constituted arbitrary and capricious conduct without any rational basis for the deviation.
- 82. The DoT's decision to not require disclosure on the application and to not conduct background checks of persons owning less than 5% prior to award of a conditional license is an impermissible deviation from the mandatory language of BQ2, which mandated "a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." NRS 453D.200(6).
- 83. The argument that the requirement for each owner to comply with the application process and background investigation is "unreasonably impracticable" is misplaced. The limitation of unreasonably impracticable applied only to the Regulations not to the language and compliance with BQ2 itself.
- 84. Under the circumstances presented here, the Court concludes that certain of the Regulations created by the DoT are unreasonable, inconsistent with BQ2 and outside of any discretion permitted to the DoT.
- 85. The DoT acted beyond its scope of authority when it arbitrarily and capriciously replaced the mandatory requirement of BQ2, for the background check of each prospective owner, officer and board member with the 5% or greater standard in NAC 453.255(1). This decision by the DoT was not one they were permitted to make as it resulted in a modification of BQ2 in violation of Article 19, Section 2(3) of the Nevada Constitution.
- 86. As Plaintiffs have shown that the DoT clearly violated NRS Chapter 453D, the claims for declaratory relief, petition for writ of prohibition, and any other related claims is likely to succeed on the merits.
  - 87. The balance of equities weighs in favor of Plaintiffs.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED ORDERED AND DECREED that Plaintiffs' Motions for Preliminary Injunction are granted in part.

The State is enjoined from conducting a final inspection of any of the conditional licenses issued in or about December 2018 who did not provide the identification of each prospective owner, officer and board member as required by NRS 453D.200(6) pending a trial on the merits.<sup>19</sup>

The issue of whether to increase the existing bond is set for hearing on August 29, 2019, at 9:00 am.

The parties in A786962 and A787004 are to appear for a Rule 16 conference September 9, 2019, at 9:00 am and submit their respective plans for discovery on an expedited schedule by noon on September 6, 2019.

DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2019.

Elizabeth Gonzalez, District Court Judge

#### Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on the date filed, this Order was electronically served, pursuant to N.E.F.C.R. Rule 9, to all registered parties in the Eighth Judicial District Court Electronic Filing Program.

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As Court Exhibit 3 is a post-hearing submission by the DoT, the parties may file objections and/or briefs related to this issue. Any issues related to the inclusion or exclusion from this group will be heard August 29, 2019, at 9:00 am.

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ROMBOUGH REAL ESTATE INC. dba
MOTHER HERB, a Nevada corporation;
NEVCANN LLC, a Nevada limited liability
company; RED EARTH LLC, a Nevada
limited liability company; THC NEVADA
LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and
ZION GARDENS LLC, a Nevada limited
liability company,
Plaintiffs,

STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION, a Nevada administrative agency; and DOES 1 through 20; and ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 20, inclusive Defendants.

GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC, a Nevada limited liability company,

Defendant-Intervenor.

COMPASSIONATE TEAM OF LAS VEGAS LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company;

Plaintiff.

STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION; DOES 1 through 10; and ROE CORPORATIONS 1 through 10,

Defendants:

GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC, a Nevada limited liability company,

Intervenor Defendant.

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#### **ORDER**

Case No.: A-18-786357-W

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Case No.: A-19-787726-C

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12	Intervenor Defendant.				
13	TO: THE PARTIES HERETO AND THE	IR RESPECTIVE COUNSEL OF RECORD:			
14		e 23 <sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2019, the Findings of			
15	Fact and Conclusions of Law Granting Preliminary Injunction was entered in the above-				
16	captioned action. A copy of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law Granting				
17	Preliminary Injunction is attached hereto as <b>Exhibit 1</b> .				
18	DATED this the 19 <sup>th</sup> day of September				
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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019, pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2 and N.E.F.C.R. 9, I did cause a true copy of the foregoing AMENDED NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER in *Serenity Wellness Center, LLC, et al. v. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation, et al.*, Clark County District Court Case No. A-19-786962-B, to be served electronically using the Odyssey File & Serve system, to all parties with an email address on record.

This document applies to Case Nos. A-19-786962-B; A-19-785818-W; A-19-787004-B; A-19-787540-W; A-18-786357-W; and A-19-787726-C.

/s/ Pharan Burchfield
An Employee of McLetchie Law

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# EXHIBIT 1

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#### DISTRICT COURT

#### **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

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Plaintiff(s),

VS.

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THE STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION,

Defendant(s).

and

NEVADA ORGANIC REMEDIES, LLC;
INTEGRAL ASSOCIATES LLC d/b/a
ESSENCE CANNABIS DISPENSARIES, a
Nevada limited liability company; ESSENCE
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company; ESSENCE HENDERSON, LLC, a
Nevada limited liability company; CPCM
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MEDICAL, LLC, a Nevada limited liability
company; and CHEYENNE MEDICAL, LLC, a
Nevada limited liability company; LONE
MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC, a Nevada

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW GRANTING PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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limited liability partnership; HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC., a Nevada corporation; GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and CLEAR RIVER, LLC.

#### Intervenors.

This matter having come before the Court for an evidentiary hearing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction beginning on May 24, 2019, and occurring day to day thereafter until its completion on August 16, 2019; Dominic P. Gentile, Esq., Vincent Savarese III, Esq., Michael V. Cristalli, Esq., and Ross J. Miller, Esq., of the law firm Gentile Cristalli Miller Armeni Savarese, appeared on behalf of Serenity Wellness Center, LLC, TGIG, LLC, Nuleaf Incline Dispensary, LLC, Nevada Holistic Medicine, LLC, Tryke Companies SO NV, LLC, Tryke Companies Reno, LLC, Paradise Wellness Center, LLC, GBS Nevada Partners, LLC, Fidelis Holdings, LLC, Gravitas Nevada, LLC, Nevada Pure, LLC, Medifarm, LLC (Case No. A786962-B) (the "Serenity Plaintiffs"); Adam K. Bult, Esq. and Maximilien D. Fetaz, Esq., of the law firm Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs ETW Management Group LLC, Global Harmony LLC, Green Leaf Farms Holdings LLC, Green Therapeutics LLC, Herbal Choice INC., Just Quality, LLC, Libra Wellness Center, LLC, Rombough Real Estate Inc. dba Mother Herb, NevCann LLC, Red Earth LLC, THC Nevada LLC, Zion Gardens LLC, and MMOF Vegas Retail, Inc. (Case No. A787004-B) (the "ETW Plaintiffs"); William S. Kemp, Esq. and Nathaniel R. Rulis, Esq., of the law firm Kemp, Jones & Coulthard LLP, appeared on behalf of MM Development Company, Inc. and LivFree Wellness LLC (Case No. A785818-W) (the "MM Plaintiffs"); Theodore Parker III, Esq., of the law firm Parker Nelson & Associates, appeared on behalf of Nevada Wellness Center (Case No. A787540-W) (collectively the "Plaintiffs"); Steven G. Shevorski, Esq., Ketan D. Bhirud, Esq., and Theresa M. Haar, Esq., of the Office of the Nevada Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the State of Nevada, Department of Taxation; David R. Koch, Esq., of the law firm Koch & Scow LLC, appeared on behalf

Although a preservation order was entered on December 13, 2018, in A785818, no discovery in any case was done prior to the commencement of the evidentiary hearing, in part due to procedural issues and to statutory restrictions on disclosure of certain information modified by SB 32 just a few days before the commencement of the hearing. As a result, the hearing was much longer than anticipated by any of the participating counsel. In compliance with SB 32, the State produced previously confidential information on May 21, 2019. These documents were reviewed for confidentiality by the Defendants in Intervention and certain redactions were made prior to production consistent with the protective order entered on May 24, 2019.

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of Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC; Brigid M. Higgins, Esq. and Rusty Graf, Esq., of the law firm Black & Lobello, appeared on behalf of Clear River, LLC; Eric D. Hone, Esq., of the law firm H1 Law Group, appeared on behalf of Lone Mountain Partners, LLC; Alina M. Shell, Esq., of the law firm McLetchie Law, appeared on behalf of GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC; Jared Kahn, Esq., of the law firm JK Legal & Consulting, LLC, appeared on behalf of Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.; and Joseph A. Gutierrez, Esq., of the law firm Majer Gutierrez & Associates, and Philip M. Hymanson, Esq., of the law firm Hymanson & Hymanson; Todd Bice, Esq. and Jordan T. Smith, Esq. of the law firm Pisanelli Bice; and Dennis Prince, Esq. of the Prince Law Group appeared on behalf of Integral Associates LLC d/b/a Essence Cannabis Dispensaries, Essence Tropicana, LLC, Essence Henderson, LLC, CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace, Commerce Park Medical, LLC, and Cheyenne Medical, LLC (the "Essence/Thrive Entities"). The Court, having read and considered the pleadings filed by the parties; having reviewed the evidence admitted during the evidentiary hearing; and having heard and carefully considered the testimony of the witnesses called to testify; having considered the oral and written arguments of counsel, and with the intent of deciding the Motion for a Preliminary Injunction,<sup>2</sup> makes the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### PROCEDURAL POSTURE

Plaintiffs are a group of unrelated commercial entities who applied for, but did not receive, licenses to operate retail recreational marijuana establishments in various local jurisdictions throughout the state. Defendant is Nevada's Department of Taxation ("DoT"), which is the administrative agency responsible for issuing the licenses. Some successful applicants for licensure intervened as Defendants.

The Serenity Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Preliminary Injunction on March 19, 2019, asking for a preliminary injunction to:

- Enjoin the denial of Plaintiffs applications;
- Enjoin the enforcement of the licenses granted;
- c. Enjoin the enforcement and implementation of NAC 453D;

The findings made in this Order are preliminary in nature based upon the limited evidence presented after very limited discovery permitted on an expedited basis and may be modified based upon additional evidence presented to the Court at the ultimate trial of the business court matters.

- d. An order restoring the *status quo ante* prior to the DoT's adoption of NAC 453D; and
- e. Several orders compelling discovery.

This Court reviewed the Serenity Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction and at a hearing on April 22, 2019, invited Plaintiffs in related cases, not assigned to Business Court, to participate in the evidentiary hearing on the Motion for Preliminary Injunction being heard in Department 11 for the purposes of hearing and deciding the Motions for Preliminary Injunction.<sup>3</sup>

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Attorney General's Office was forced to deal with a significant impediment at the early stages of the litigation. This inability to disclose certain information was outside of its control because of confidentiality requirements that have now been slightly modified by SB 32. Although the parties stipulated to a protective order on May 24, 2019, many documents produced in preparation for the hearing and for discovery purposes were heavily redacted because of the highly competitive nature of the industry and sensitive financial and commercial information being produced.

All parties agree that the language of an initiative takes precedence over any regulation that is in conflict and that an administrative agency has some discretion in determining how to implement the initiative. The Court gives deference to the agency in establishing those regulations and creating the framework required to implement those provisions in conformity with the initiative.

The complaints filed by the parties participating in the hearing seek declaratory relief, injunctive relief and writs of mandate, among other claims. The motions and joinders seeking injunctive relief which have been reviewed by the Court in conjunction with this hearing include:

A786962-B Serenity: Serenity Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction filed 3/19/19 (Joinder to Motion by Compassionate Team: 5/17; Joinder to Motion by ETW: 5/6 (filed in A787004); and Joinder to Motion by Nevada Wellness: 5/10 (filed in A787540)); Opposition by the State filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/23); Opposition by Nevada Organic Remedies: 5/9 (Joinder by Lone Mountain: 5/13; Joinder by Helping Hands: 5/21; and Joinder by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/23). Application for TRO on OST filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Compassionate Team: 5/17; and Joinder by ETW: 5/10 (filed in A787004)); Opposition by Nevada Organic Remedies: 5/9 (Joinder by Clear River: 5/9); Opposition by Essence/Thrive Entities: 5/10 (Joinder by GreenMart: 5/10; Joinder by Lone Mountain: 5/11; and Joinder by helping Hands: 5/12).

A785818-W MM Development: MM Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction or Writ of Mandamus filed 5/9/19 (Joinder by Serenity: 5/20 (filed in A786962); Joinder by ETW: 5/6 (filed in A787004 and A785818); and Joinder by Nevada Wellness: 5/10 (filed in A787540)).

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The initiative to legalize recreational marijuana, Ballot Question 2 ("BQ2"), went to the voters in 2016. The language of BQ2 is independent of any regulations that were adopted by the DoT. The Court must balance the mandatory provisions of BQ2 (which the DoT did not have discretion to modify);<sup>4</sup> those provisions with which the DoT was granted some discretion in implementation;<sup>5</sup> and the inherent discretion of an administrative agency to implement regulations to carry out its statutory duties. The Court must give great deference to those activities that fall within the discretionary functions of the agency. Deference is not given where the actions of the DoT were in violation of BQ2 or were arbitrary and capricious.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Nevada allows voters to amend its Constitution or enact legislation through the initiative process. Nevada Constitution, Article 19, Section 2.

Article 19, Section 2(3) provides the touchstone for the mandatory provisions:

.... An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the Legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect.

NRS 453D.200(1) required the adoption of regulations for the licensure and oversight of recreational marijuana cultivation, manufacturing/production, sales and distribution, but provides the DoT discretion in exactly what those regulations would include.

... the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter. The regulations must not prohibit the operation of marijuana establishments, either expressly or through regulations that make their operation unreasonably impracticable. The regulations shall include:

- (a) Procedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of a license to operate a marijuana establishment;
- (b) Qualifications for licensure that are directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment;
  - (c) Requirements for the security of marijuana establishments;
- (d) Requirements to prevent the sale or diversion of marijuana and marijuana products to persons under 21 years of age;
- (e) Requirements for the packaging of marijuana and marijuana products, including requirements for child-resistant packaging;
- (f) Requirements for the testing and labeling of marijuana and marijuana products sold by marijuana establishments including a numerical indication of potency based on the ratio of THC to the weight of a product intended for oral consumption;
  - (g) Requirements for record keeping by marijuana establishments;
  - (h) Reasonable restrictions on signage, marketing, display, and advertising;
  - (i) Procedures for the collection of taxes, fees, and penalties imposed by this chapter;
- (j) Procedures and requirements to enable the transfer of a license for a marijuana establishment to another qualified person and to enable a licensee to move the location of its establishment to another suitable location;
- (k) Procedures and requirements to enable a dual licensee to operate medical marijuana establishments and marijuana establishments at the same location;
  - (1) Procedures to establish the fair market value at wholesale of marijuana; and
- (m) Civil penalties for the failure to comply with any regulation adopted pursuant to this section or for any violation of the provisions of NRS 453D.300.

- 2. In 2000, the voters amended Nevada's Constitution to allow for the possession and use of marijuana to treat various medical conditions. Nevada Constitution, Article 4, Section 38(1)(a). The initiative left it to the Legislature to create laws "[a]uthoriz[ing] appropriate methods for supply of the plant to patients authorized to use it." Nevada Constitution, Article 4, Section 38(1)(e).
- 3. For several years prior to the enactment of BQ2, the regulation of medical marijuana dispensaries had not been taken up by the Legislature. Some have argued in these proceedings that the delay led to the framework of BQ2.
- 4. In 2013, Nevada's legislature enacted NRS 453A, which allows for the cultivation and sale of medical marijuana. The Legislature described the requirements for the application to open a medical marijuana establishment. NRS 453A.322. The Nevada Legislature then charged the Division of Public and Behavioral Health with evaluating the applications. NRS 453A.328.
- 5. The materials circulated to voters in 2016 for BQ2 described its purpose as the amendment of the Nevada Revised Statutes as follows:

Shall the *Nevada Revised Statutes* be amended to allow a person, 21 years old or older, to purchase, cultivate, possess, or consume a certain amount of marijuana or concentrated marijuana, as well as manufacture, possess, use, transport, purchase, distribute, or sell marijuana paraphernalia; impose a 15 percent excise tax on wholesale sales of marijuana; require the regulation and licensing of marijuana cultivators, testing facilities, distributors, suppliers, and retailers; and provide for certain criminal penalties?

- 6. BQ2 was enacted by the Nevada Legislature and is codified at NRS 453D.<sup>6</sup>
- 7. BQ2 specifically identified regulatory and public safety concerns:

The People of the State of Nevada proclaim that marijuana should be regulated in a manner similar to alcohol so that:

- (a) Marijuana may only be purchased from a business that is licensed by the State of Nevada:
- (b) Business owners are subject to a review by the State of Nevada to confirm that the business owners and the business location are suitable to produce or sell marijuana;
- (c) Cultivating, manufacturing, testing, transporting and selling marijuana will be strictly controlled through State licensing and regulation;

As the provisions of BQ2 and the sections NRS 453D currently in effect (with the exception of NRS 453D.205) are identical, for ease of reference the Court cites to BQ2 as enacted by the Nevada Legislature in NRS 453D.

(d) Selling or giving marijuana to persons under 21 years of age shall remain illegal;

(e) Individuals will have to be 21 years of age or older to purchase marijuana;

(f) Driving under the influence of marijuana will remain illegal; and

(g) Marijuana sold in the State will be tested and labeled.

NRS 453D.020(3).

8. BQ2 mandated the DoT to "conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." NRS 453D.200(6).

- 9. On November 8, 2016, by Executive Order 2017-02, Governor Brian Sandoval established a Task Force composed of 19 members to offer suggestions and proposals for legislative, regulatory, and executive actions to be taken in implementing BQ2.
- 10. The Task Force's findings, issued on May 30, 2017, referenced the 2014 licensing process for issuing Medical Marijuana Establishment Registration Certificates under NRS 453A. The Task Force recommended that "the qualifications for licensure of a marijuana establishment and the impartial numerically scored bidding process for retail marijuana stores be maintained as in the medical marijuana program except for a change in how local jurisdictions participate in selection of locations."
  - 11. Some of the Task Force's recommendations appear to conflict with BQ2.<sup>7</sup>

The Final Task Force report (Exhibit 2009) contained the following statements:

The Task Force recommends that retail marijuana ownership interest requirements remain consistent with the medical marijuana program. . . . at 2510.

The requirement identified by the Task Force at the time was contained in NAC 453A.302(1) which states:

Except as otherwise required in subsection 2, the requirements of this chapter concerning owners of medical marijuana establishments only apply to a person with an aggregate ownership interest of 5 percent or more in a medical marijuana establishment.

The second recommendation of concern is:

The Task Force recommends that NRS 453A be changed to address companies that own marijuana establishment licenses in which there are owners with less than 5% ownership interest in the company. The statute should be amended to:

\*Limit fingerprinting, background checks and renewal of agent cards to owners officers and board members with 5% or less cumulatively of the company to once every five years;

\*Only require owners officers and board members with 5% or more cumulatively and employees of the company to obtain agent registration cards; and

- 12. During the 2017 legislative session Assembly Bill 422 transferred responsibility for the registration, licensing, and regulation of marijuana establishments from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health to the DoT.<sup>8</sup>
- 13. On February 27, 2018, the DoT adopted regulations governing the issuance, suspension, or revocation of retail recreational marijuana licenses in LCB File No. R092-17, which were codified in NAC 453D (the "Regulations").
- 14. The Regulations for licensing were to be "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment." NRS 453D.200(1)(b). The phrase "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment" is subject to more than one interpretation.

at 2515-2516.

Those provisions (a portion of which became NRS 453D.205) are consistent with BQ2:

- 1. When conducting a background check pursuant to subsection 6 of <u>NRS 453D.200</u>, the Department may require each prospective owner, officer and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant to submit a complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.
- 2. When determining the criminal history of a person pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 453D.300, a marijuana establishment may require the person to submit to the Department a complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.

<sup>\*</sup>Use the marijuana establishments governing documents to determine who has approval rights and signatory authority for purposes of signing ownership transfers, applications and any other appropriate legal or regulatory documents.

There was Task Force dissent on the recommendation. The concern with this recommendation was that by changing the requirements on fingerprinting and background checks, the state would have less knowledge of when an owner, officer, and board member commits an offense not allowed under current marijuana law, potentially creating a less safe environment in the state.

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NRS 453D.210(6) mandated the DoT to use "an impartial and numerically scored competitive bidding process" to determine successful applicants where competing applications were submitted.

16. NAC 453D.272(1) provides the procedure for when the DoT receives more than one "complete" application. Under this provision the DoT will determine if the "application is complete and

- (7) Whether the person has previously had a medical marijuana establishment agent registration card or marijuana establishment agent registration card revoked;
- (8) Whether the person is an attending provider of health care currently providing written documentation for the issuance of registry identification cards or letters of approval;
  - (9) Whether the person is a law enforcement officer;
  - (10) Whether the person is currently an employee or contractor of the Department; and
- (11) Whether the person has an ownership or financial investment interest in any other medical marijuana establishment or marijuana establishment.
- 5. For each owner, officer and board member of the proposed marijuana establishment:
- (a) An attestation signed and dated by the owner, officer or board member that he or she has not been convicted of an excluded felony offense, and that the information provided to support the application for a license for a marijuana establishment is true and correct;
- (b) A narrative description, not to exceed 750 words, demonstrating:
- (1) Past experience working with governmental agencies and highlighting past experience in giving back to the community through civic or philanthropic involvement;
  - (2) Any previous experience at operating other businesses or nonprofit organizations; and
  - (3) Any demonstrated knowledge, business experience or expertise with respect to marijuana; and
- (c) A resume.
- 6. Documentation concerning the size of the proposed marijuana establishment, including, without limitation, building and general floor plans with supporting details.
- 7. The integrated plan of the proposed marijuana establishment for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale, including, without limitation, a plan for testing and verifying marijuana, a transportation or delivery plan and procedures to ensure adequate security measures, including, without limitation, building security and product security.
- 8. A plan for the business which includes, without limitation, a description of the inventory control system of the proposed marijuana establishment to satisfy the requirements of <u>NRS 453D.300</u> and <u>NAC 453D.426</u>.
- 9. A financial plan which includes, without limitation:
- (a) Financial statements showing the resources of the applicant;
- (b) If the applicant is relying on money from an owner, officer or board member, evidence that the person has unconditionally committed such money to the use of the applicant in the event the Department awards a license to the applicant and the applicant obtains the necessary approvals from the locality to operate the proposed marijuana establishment; and
- (c) Proof that the applicant has adequate money to cover all expenses and costs of the first year of operation.
- 10. Evidence that the applicant has a plan to staff, educate and manage the proposed marijuana establishment on a daily basis, which must include, without limitation:
- (a) A detailed budget for the proposed marijuana establishment, including pre-opening, construction and first-year operating expenses;
- (b) An operations manual that demonstrates compliance with this chapter;
- (c) An education plan which must include, without limitation, providing educational materials to the staff of the proposed marijuana establishment; and
- (d) A plan to minimize the environmental impact of the proposed marijuana establishment.
- 11. If the application is submitted on or before November 15, 2018, for a license for a marijuana distributor, proof that the applicant holds a wholesale dealer license issued pursuant to <u>chapter 369</u> of NRS, unless the Department determines that an insufficient number of marijuana distributors will result from this limitation.
- 12. A response to and information which supports any other criteria the Department determines to be relevant, which will be specified and requested by the Department at the time the Department issues a request for applications which includes the point values that will be allocated to the applicable portions of the application pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 453D.260.

in compliance with this chapter and Chapter 453D of NRS, the Department will rank the applications . . . in order from first to last based on the compliance with the provisions of this chapter and chapter 453D of NRS and on the content of the applications relating to . . ." several enumerated factors. NAC 453D.272(1).

- 17. The factors set forth in NAC 453D.272(1) that are used to rank competing applications (collectively, the "Factors") are:
  - (a) Whether the owners, officers or board members have experience operating another kind of business that has given them experience which is applicable to the operation of a marijuana establishment;
  - (b) The diversity of the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (c) The educational achievements of the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (d) The financial plan and resources of the applicant, both liquid and illiquid;
  - (e) Whether the applicant has an adequate integrated plan for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale;
  - (f) The amount of taxes paid and other beneficial financial contributions, including, without limitation, civic or philanthropic involvement with this State or its political subdivisions, by the applicant or the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment;
  - (g) Whether the owners, officers or board members of the proposed marijuana establishment have direct experience with the operation of a medical marijuana establishment or marijuana establishment in this State and have demonstrated a record of operating such an establishment in compliance with the laws and regulations of this State for an adequate period of time to demonstrate success;
  - (h) The (unspecified) experience of key personnel that the applicant intends to employ in operating the type of marijuana establishment for which the applicant seeks a license; and
  - (i) Any other criteria that the Department determines to be relevant.
- 18. Each of the Factors is within the DoT's discretion in implementing the application process provided for in BQ2. The DoT had a good-faith basis for determining that each of the Factors is "directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment."
- 19. The DoT posted the application on its website and released the application for recreational marijuana establishment licenses on July 6, 2018.<sup>10</sup>

The DoT made a change to the application after circulating the first version of the application to delete the requirement of a physical location. The modification resulted in a different version of the application bearing the same "footer" with the original version remaining available on the DoT's website.

- 20. The DoT utilized a question and answer process through a generic email account at marijuana@tax.state.nv.us to allow applicants to ask questions and receive answers directly from the Department, which were not consistent with NRS 453D, and that information was not further disseminated by the DoT to other applicants.
- 21. In addition to the email question and answer process, the DoT permitted applicants and their representatives to personally contact the DoT staff about the application process.
  - 22. The application period ran from September 7, 2018 through September 20, 2018.
- 23. The DoT accepted applications in September 2018 for retail recreational marijuana licenses and announced the award of conditional licenses in December 2018.
  - 24. The DoT used a listsery to communicate with prospective applicants.
- 25. The DoT published a revised application on July 30, 2018. This revised application was sent to all participants in the DoT's listserv directory. The revised application modified a sentence on attachment A of the application. Prior to this revision, the sentence had read, "Marijuana Establishment's proposed physical address (this must be a Nevada address and cannot be a P.O. Box)." The revised application on July 30, 2018, read: "Marijuana Establishment's proposed physical address if the applicant owns property or has secured a lease or other property agreement (this must be a Nevada address and not a P.O. Box). Otherwise, the applications are virtually identical.
- 26. The DoT sent a copy of the revised application through the listserv service used by the DoT. Not all Plaintiffs' correct emails were included on this listserv service.
- 27. The July 30, 2018 application, like its predecessor, described how applications were to be scored. The scoring criteria was divided into identified criteria and non-identified criteria. The maximum points that could be awarded to any applicant based on these criteria was 250 points.
- 28. The identified criteria consisted of organizational structure of the applicant (60 points); evidence of taxes paid to the State of Nevada by owners, officers, and board members of the applicant

in the last 5 years (25 points); a financial plan (30 points); and documents from a financial institution showing unencumbered liquid assets of \$250,000 per location for which an application is submitted.

- 29. The non-identified criteria consisted of documentation concerning the integrated plan of the proposed marijuana establishment for the care, quality and safekeeping of marijuana from seed to sale (40 points); evidence that the applicant has a plan to staff, educate and manage the proposed recreational marijuana establishment on a daily basis (30 points); a plan describing operating procedures for the electronic verification system of the proposed marijuana establishment and describing the proposed establishment's inventory control system (20 points); building plans showing the proposed establishment's adequacy to serve the needs of its customers (20 points); and, a proposal explaining likely impact of the proposed marijuana establishment in the community and how it will meet customer needs (15 points).
- 30. An applicant was permitted to submit a single application for all jurisdictions in which it was applying, and the application would be scored at the same time.
  - 31. By September 20, 2018, the DoT received a total of 462 applications.
- 32. In order to grade and rank the applications the DoT posted notices that it was seeking to hire individuals with specified qualifications necessary to evaluate applications. The DoT interviewed applicants and made decisions on individuals to hire for each position.
- 33. When decisions were made on who to hire, the individuals were notified that they would need to register with "Manpower" under a pre-existing contract between the DoT and that company. Individuals would be paid through Manpower, as their application-grading work would be of a temporary nature.
- 34. The DoT identified, hired, and trained eight individuals to grade the applications, including three to grade the identified portions of the applications, three to grade the non-identified

portions of the applications, and one administrative assistant for each group of graders (collectively the "Temporary Employees").

- 35. It is unclear how the DoT trained the Temporary Employees. While portions of the training materials were introduced into evidence, testimony regarding the oral training based upon example applications was insufficient for the Court to determine the nature and extent of the training of the Temporary Employees.<sup>11</sup>
- 36. NAC 453D.272(1) required the DoT to determine that an Application is "complete and in compliance" with the provisions of NAC 453D in order to properly apply the licensing criteria set forth therein and the provisions of the Ballot Initiative and the enabling statute.
- 37. When the DoT received applications, it undertook no effort to determine if the applications were in fact "complete and in compliance."
- 38. In evaluating whether an application was "complete and in compliance" the DoT made no effort to verify owners, officers or board members (except for checking whether a transfer request was made and remained pending before the DoT).
- 39. For purposes of grading the applicant's organizational structure and diversity, if an applicant's disclosure in its application of its owners, officers, and board members did not match the DoT's own records, the DoT did not penalize the applicant. Rather the DoT permitted the grading, and in some cases, awarded a conditional license to an applicant under such circumstances, and dealt with the issue by simply informing the winning applicant that its application would have to be brought into conformity with DoT records.
- 40. The DoT created a Regulation that modified the mandatory BQ2 provision "[t]he Department shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant" and determined it would only require information on the

Given the factual issues related to the grading raised by MM and LivFree, these issues may be subject to additional evidentiary proceedings in the assigned department.

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application from persons "with an aggregate ownership interest of 5 percent or more in a marijuana establishment." NAC 453D.255(1).

- 41. NRS 453D.200(6) provides that "[t]he DoT shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." The DoT departed from this mandatory language in NAC 453D.255(1) and made no attempt in the application process to verify that the applicant's complied with the mandatory language of the BQ2 or even the impermissibly modified language.
- 42.. The DoT made the determination that it was not reasonable to require industry to provide every owner of a prospective licensee. The DOT's determination that only owners of a 5% or greater interest in the business were required to submit information on the application was not a permissible regulatory modification of BQ2. This determination violated Article 19, Section 3 of the Nevada Constitution. The determination was not based on a rational basis.
- The limitation of "unreasonably impracticable" in BQ2<sup>12</sup> does not apply to the 43. mandatory language of BQ2, but to the Regulations which the DoT adopted.
- The adoption of NAC 453D.255(1), as it applies to the application process is an 44. unconstitutional modification of BQ2. 13 The failure of the DoT to carry out the mandatory provisions of NRS 453D,200(6) is fatal to the application process. <sup>14</sup> The DoT's decision to adopt regulations in direct violation of BO2's mandatory application requirements is violative of Article 19, Section 2(3) of the Nevada Constitution.

NRS 453D.200(1) provides in part:

The regulations must not prohibit the operation of marijuana establishments, either expressly or through regulations that make their operation unreasonably impracticable.

For administrative and regulatory proceedings other than the application, the limitation of 5% or greater ownership appears within the DoT's discretion.

That provision states:

<sup>6.</sup> The Department shall conduct a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant.

- 45. Given the lack of a robust investigative process for applicants, the requirement of the background check for each prospective owner, officer, and board member as part of the application process impedes an important public safety goal in BQ2.
- 46. Without any consideration as to the voters mandate in BQ2, the DoT determined that requiring each prospective owner be subject to a background check was too difficult for implementation by industry. This decision was a violation of the Nevada Constitution, an abuse of discretion, and arbitrary and capricious.
- 47. The DoT did not comply with BQ2 by requiring applicants to provide information for each prospective owner, officer and board member or verify the ownership of applicants applying for retail recreational marijuana licenses. Instead the DoT issued conditional licenses to applicants who did not identify each prospective owner, officer and board member.<sup>15</sup>
- 48. The DoT's late decision to delete the physical address requirement on some application forms while not modifying those portions of the application that were dependent on a physical location (i.e. floor plan, community impact, security plan, and the sink locations) after the repeated communications by an applicant's agent; not effectively communicating the revision; and, leaving the original version of the application on the website, is evidence of conduct that is a serious issue.
- 49. Pursuant to NAC 453D.295, the winning applicants received a conditional license that will not be finalized unless within twelve months of December 5, 2018, the licensees receive a final inspection of their marijuana establishment.

Some applicants apparently provided the required information for each prospective owner, officer and board member. Accepting as truthful these applicants' attestations regarding who their owners, officers, and board members were at the time of the application, these applications were complete at the time they were filed with reference to NRS 453D.200(6). These entities are Green Therapeutics LLC, Eureka NewGen Farms LLC, Circle S Farms LLC, Deep Roots Medical LLC, Pure Tonic Concentrates LLC, Wellness Connection of Nevada LLC, Polaris Wellness Center LLC, and TRNVP098 LLC, Clear River LLC, Cheyenne Medical LLC, Essence Tropicana LLC, Essence Henderson LLC, and Commerce Park Medical LLC. See Court Exhibit 3 (post-hearing submission by the DoT).

- 50. The few instances of clear mistakes made by the Temporary Employees admitted in evidence do not, in and of themselves, result in an unfair process as human error occurs in every process.
- 51. Nothing in NRS 453D or NAC 453D provides for any right to an appeal or review of a decision denying an application for a retail recreational marijuana license.
- 52. There are an extremely limited number of licenses available for the sale of recreational marijuana.
- 53. The number of licenses available was set by BQ2 and is contained in NRS 453D.210(5)(d).
- 54. Since the Court does not have authority to order additional licenses in particular jurisdictions, and because there are a limited number of licenses that are available in certain jurisdictions, injunctive relief is necessary to permit the Plaintiffs, if successful in the NRS 453D.210(6) process, to actually obtaining a license, if ultimately successful in this litigation.
  - 55. The secondary market for the transfer of licenses is limited. 16
- 56. If any findings of fact are properly conclusions of law, they shall be treated as if appropriately identified and designated.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 57. "Any person...whose rights, status or other legal relations are affected by a statute, municipal ordinance, contract or franchise, may have determined any question of construction or validity arising under the instrument, statute, ordinance, contract or franchise and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder." NRS 30.040.
- 58. A justiciable controversy is required to exist prior to an award of declaratory relief. *Doe* v. *Bryan*, 102 Nev. 523, 525, 728 P.2d 443, 444 (1986).

The testimony elicited during the evidentiary hearing established that multiple changes in ownership have occurred since the applications were filed. Given this testimony, simply updating the applications previously filed would not comply with BQ2.

- 59. NRS 33.010 governs cases in which an injunction may be granted. The applicant must show (1) a likelihood of success on the merits; and (2) a reasonable probability that the non-moving party's conduct, if allowed to continue, will cause irreparable harm for which compensatory damage is an inadequate remedy.
- 60. Plaintiffs have the burden to demonstrate that the DoT's conduct, if allowed to continue, will result in irreparable harm for which compensatory damages is an inadequate remedy.
- 61. The purpose of a preliminary injunction is to preserve the *status quo* until the matter can be litigated on the merits.
- 62. In City of Sparks v. Sparks Mun. Court, the Supreme Court explained, "[a]s a constitutional violation may be difficult or impossible to remedy through money damages, such a violation may, by itself, be sufficient to constitute irreparable harm." 129 Nev. 348, 357, 302 P.3d 1118, 1124 (2013).
- 63. Article 19, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada provides, in pertinent part:
  - "1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of article 4 of this constitution, but subject to the limitations of section 6 of this article, the people reserve to themselves the power to propose, by initiative petition, statutes and amendments to statutes and amendments to this constitution, and to enact or reject them at the polls.

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3. If the initiative petition proposes a statute or an amendment to a statute, the person who intends to circulate it shall file a copy with the secretary of state before beginning circulation and not earlier than January 1 of the year preceding the year in which a regular session of the legislature is held. After its circulation, it shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than 30 days prior to any regular session of the legislature. The circulation of the petition shall cease on the day the petition is filed with the secretary of state or such other date as may be prescribed for the verification of the number of signatures affixed to the petition, whichever is earliest. The secretary of state shall transmit such petition to the legislature as soon as the legislature convenes and organizes. The petition shall take precedence over all other measures except appropriation bills, and the statute or amendment to a statute proposed thereby shall be enacted or rejected by the legislature without change or amendment within 40 days. If the proposed statute or amendment to a statute is enacted by the legislature and approved by the governor in the same manner as other statutes are enacted, such statute or amendment to a statute shall become law, but shall be subject to referendum petition as provided in section 1 of this article.

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If the statute or amendment to a statute is rejected by the legislature, or if no action is taken thereon within 40 days, the secretary of state shall submit the question of approval or disapproval of such statute or amendment to a statute to a vote of the voters at the next succeeding general election. If a majority of the voters voting on such question at such election votes approval of such statute or amendment to a statute, it shall become law and take effect upon completion of the canvass of votes by the supreme court. An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect."

(Emphasis added.)

- The Nevada Supreme Court has recognized that "[i]nitiative petitions must be kept 64. substantively intact; otherwise, the people's voice would be obstructed. . . [I]nitiative legislation is not subject to judicial tampering-the substance of an initiative petition should reflect the unadulterated will of the people and should proceed, if at all, as originally proposed and signed. For this reason, our constitution prevents the Legislature from changing or amending a proposed initiative petition that is under consideration." Rogers v. Heller, 117 Nev. 169, 178, 18 P.3d 1034,1039-40 (2001).
- 65. BQ2 provides, "the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter." NRS 453D.200(1). This language does not confer upon the DoT unfettered or unbridled authority to do whatever it wishes without constraint. The DoT was not delegated the power to legislate amendments because this is initiative legislation. The Legislature itself has no such authority with regard to NRS 453D until three years after its enactment under the prohibition of Article 19, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada.
- 66. Where, as here, amendment of a voter-initiated law is temporally precluded from amendment for three years, the administrative agency may not modify the law.
- NRS 453D.200(1) provides that "the Department shall adopt all regulations necessary or 67. convenient to carry out the provisions of this chapter." The Court finds that the words "necessary or convenient" are susceptible to at least two reasonable interpretations. This limitation applies only to Regulations adopted by the DoT.

- 68. While the category of diversity is not specifically included in the language of BQ2, the evidence presented in the hearing demonstrates that a rational basis existed for the inclusion of this category in the Factors and the application.
- 69. The DoT's inclusion of the diversity category was implemented in a way that created a process which was partial and subject to manipulation by applicants.
- 70. The DoT staff provided various applicants with different information as to what would be utilized from this category and whether it would be used merely as a tiebreaker or as a substantive category.
- 71. Based upon the evidence adduced, the Court finds that the DoT selectively discussed with applicants or their agents the modification of the application related to physical address information.
- 72. The process was impacted by personal relationships in decisions related to the requirements of the application and the ownership structures of competing applicants. This in and of itself is insufficient to void the process as urged by some of the Plaintiffs.
- 73. The DoT disseminated various versions of the 2018 Retail Marijuana Application, one of which was published on the DoT's website and required the applicant to provide an actual physical Nevada address for the proposed marijuana establishment, and not a P.O. Box, (see Exhibit 5), whereas an alternative version of the DoT's application form, which was not made publicly available and was distributed to some, but not all, of the applicants via a DoT listserv service, deleted the requirement that applicants disclose an actual physical address for their proposed marijuana establishment. See Exhibit 5A.
- 74. The applicants were applying for conditional licensure, which would last for 1 year. NAC 453D.282. The license was conditional based on the applicant's gaining approval from local

authorities on zoning and land use, the issuance of a business license, and the Department of Taxation inspections of the marijuana establishment.

- 75. The DoT has only awarded conditional licenses which are subject to local government approval related to zoning and planning and may approve a location change of an existing license, the public safety apsects of the failure to require an actual physical address can be cured prior to the award of a final license.
- 76. By selectively eliminating the requirement to disclose an actual physical address for each and every proposed retail recreational marijuana establishment, the DoT limited the ability of the Temporary Employees to adequately assess graded criteria such as (i) prohibited proximity to schools and certain other public facilities, (ii) impact on the community, (iii) security, (iv) building plans, and (v) other material considerations prescribed by the Regulations.
  - 77. The hiring of Temporary Employees was well within the DoT's discretionary power.
- 78. The evidence establishes that the DoT failed to properly train the Temporary Employees. This is not an appropriate basis for the requested injunctive relief unless it makes the grading process unfair.
- 79. The DoT failed to establish any quality assurance or quality control of the grading done by Temporary Employees. <sup>17</sup> This is not an appropriate basis for the requested injunctive relief unless it makes the grading process unfair.
- 80. The DoT made licensure conditional for one year based on the grant of power to create regulations that develop "[p]rocedures for the issuance, renewal, suspension, and revocation of a license to operate a marijuana establishment." NRS 453D.200(1)(a). This was within the DoT's discretion.

The Court makes no determination as to the extent which the grading errors alleged by MM and Live Free may be subject to other appropriate writ practice related to those individualized issues by the assigned department.

- 81. Certain of DoT's actions related to the licensing process were nondiscretionary modifications of BQ2's mandatory requirements. The evidence establishes DoT's deviations constituted arbitrary and capricious conduct without any rational basis for the deviation.
- 82. The DoT's decision to not require disclosure on the application and to not conduct background checks of persons owning less than 5% prior to award of a conditional license is an impermissible deviation from the mandatory language of BQ2, which mandated "a background check of each prospective owner, officer, and board member of a marijuana establishment license applicant." NRS 453D.200(6).
- 83. The argument that the requirement for each owner to comply with the application process and background investigation is "unreasonably impracticable" is misplaced. The limitation of unreasonably impracticable applied only to the Regulations not to the language and compliance with BQ2 itself.
- 84. Under the circumstances presented here, the Court concludes that certain of the Regulations created by the DoT are unreasonable, inconsistent with BQ2 and outside of any discretion permitted to the DoT.
- 85. The DoT acted beyond its scope of authority when it arbitrarily and capriciously replaced the mandatory requirement of BQ2, for the background check of each prospective owner, officer and board member with the 5% or greater standard in NAC 453.255(1). This decision by the DoT was not one they were permitted to make as it resulted in a modification of BQ2 in violation of Article 19, Section 2(3) of the Nevada Constitution.
- 86. As Plaintiffs have shown that the DoT clearly violated NRS Chapter 453D, the claims for declaratory relief, petition for writ of prohibition, and any other related claims is likely to succeed on the merits.
  - 87. The balance of equities weighs in favor of Plaintiffs.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED ORDERED AND DECREED that Plaintiffs' Motions for Preliminary Injunction are granted in part.

The State is enjoined from conducting a final inspection of any of the conditional licenses issued in or about December 2018 who did not provide the identification of each prospective owner, officer and board member as required by NRS 453D.200(6) pending a trial on the merits.<sup>19</sup>

The issue of whether to increase the existing bond is set for hearing on August 29, 2019, at 9:00 am.

The parties in A786962 and A787004 are to appear for a Rule 16 conference September 9, 2019, at 9:00 am and submit their respective plans for discovery on an expedited schedule by noon on September 6, 2019.

DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2019.

Elizabeth Gonzalez, District Court Judge

### Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on the date filed, this Order was electronically served, pursuant to N.E.F.C.R. Rule 9, to all registered parties in the Eighth Judicial District Court Electronic Filing Program.

Dan Kutinac

As Court Exhibit 3 is a post-hearing submission by the DoT, the parties may file objections and/or briefs related to this issue. Any issues related to the inclusion or exclusion from this group will be heard August 29, 2019, at 9:00 am.

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March 01, 2019 3:00 AM Motion to Intervene

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Andrea Natali

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Upon review of the papers and pleadings on file in this Matter, as proper service has been provided, this Court notes no opposition has been filed. Accordingly, pursuant to EDCR 2.20(e) the Motion to Intervene is deemed unopposed. Therefore, good cause appearing, COURT ORDERED, motion is GRANTED. Moving Counsel is to prepare and submit an order within ten (10) days and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved in this matter.

CLERK'S NOTE: Counsel are to ensure a copy of the forgoing minute order is distributed to all interested parties; additionally, a copy of the foregoing minute order was distributed to the registered service recipients via Odyssey eFileNV E-Service (3/1/19 amn).

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March 19, 2019 8:48 AM Minute Order

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Court noted the Motion for Preliminary Injunction filed on March 18, 2019 does not contain a "request for hearing" in compliance with Administrative Order 19-03. As such the motion is STRICKEN and may be resubmitted in compliance with the administrative order.

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was distributed via the E-Service List. / dr 3-19-19

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vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

March 20, 2019 9:32 AM Minute Order

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- The Motion to Intervene as Defendants filed on March 19, 2019 does not contain a "request for hearing" in compliance with Administrative Order 19-03. As such the motion is STRICKEN and may be resubmitted in compliance with the administrative order.

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was distributed to the parties via electronic mail. / dr 3-20-19

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Other Business Court Matters COURT MINUTES April 01, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

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April 01, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Butler, Kathryn L. Attorney

Hone, Eric D. Attorney Koch, David Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- LONE MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC S MOTION TO INTERVENE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...INTEGRAL ASSOCIATES LLC'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION TO INTERVENE AS DEFENDANTS

Court inquired about the State of Nevada, Defendant. Mr. Savarese stated he does not know why they are not here; they have not filed an answer to the complaint nor a response to the motion for preliminary injunction. Mr. Koch advised he spoke with the Attorney General's Office on Wednesday; there are multiple cases similar to this one, and the Attorney General's Office has appeared on one of them and filed a motion to dismiss; there are service issues; when he spoke with counsel on Wednesday he indicated he had not received the motion for preliminary injunction. Mr. Koch added that he filed a motion to strike the motion for preliminary injunction based on the number of pages and on the timing. Mr. Savarese advised the State has been served with both the complaint and the motion for preliminary injunction; this week he is planning to file a response to the motion to strike. Court encouraged the parties to get together and as a group be satisfied with the briefing on any motion for preliminary injunction so there is only one hearing; the Court will not

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have seriatim motions for preliminary injunction. Court informed Mr. Savarese he may submit an ex parte application for leave to extend the page limit. Mr. Savarese replied he will do so in a day or two. Mr. Koch noted the opposition to the motion for preliminary injunction is due tomorrow.

COURT ORDERED, both motions to intervene GRANTED. Proposed orders signed in open court and returned to Ms. Butler and Mr. Hone respectively for filing.

4-15-19 9:00 AM MOTION TO STRIKE PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION TO CONTINUE THE HEARING ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME

4-22-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

CLERK'S NOTE: Motion to Intervene filed by Integral on March 20, 2019 and SET for April 26, 2019 VACATED as a duplicate of today's motion. A copy of this minute order was placed in the attorney folder for the Office of the Attorney General. / dr 4-1-19

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**COURT MINUTES** 

April 08, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

April 08, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney

Kahn, Jared B, ESQ Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S MOTION TO INTERVENE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC.'S MOTION TO INTERVENE AS DEFENDANTS

Counsel for Plaintiff not present at call of the case. Matter TRAILED.

Matter RECALLED with Mr. Savarese appearing by telephone.

Court NOTED it has also been assigned A787004-B and asked how many cases there are about the transparency of the process with the Nevada Department of Taxation. Mr. Gutierrez advised there are 7; there is a case or are cases pending before Judge Barker that are not business court cases. Court noted it is trying to determine how many there are, since the State has not been involved and Mr. Savarese indicated last time that the State would be trying to dismiss, so the parties are not litigating in all these departments. Mr. Savarese advised he is only aware of Judge Barker having one or more matters before him but he is not aware of any others. Court noted Plaintiff is making a constitutional

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challenge, which is why the Court is trying to identify the cases to see if it is appropriate to pull the non-business court cases into business court for purposes of case management. COURT DIRECTED all counsel to research those cases and email the Law Clerk. Mr. Savarese advised he spoke with counsel for the Department of Taxation on Friday, he believes, and he mentioned the Court was concerned about the State's non-appearance, but the State is aware of this litigation and also suggested the matters perhaps be consolidated before Judge Barker. Court noted it has previously happened, such as in CityCenter, that non-business court cases were pulled into business court. COURT ORDERED, matter SET for status check on April 15 regarding the information.

COURT ORDERED, today's motions to intervene GRANTED.

Mr. Savarese further advised he owes the Court a motion to exceed his page limit.

4-15-19 9:00 AM MOTION TO STRIKE PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION TO CONTINUE THE HEARING ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...STATUS CHECK

5-6-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

April 15, 2019

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

April 15, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B, ESQ Attorney Koch, David Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Werbicky, Robert E. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- STATUS CHECK...PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION IN EXCESS OF THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED BRIEF NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH

Matter heard with A-19-787004-B ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation.

Attorney Adam Bult, counsel for Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B also present.

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Mr. Gentile appeared by telephone.

STATUS CHECK: Court thanked counsel for the email identifying all the related cases. Colloquy regarding the DH Flamingo case, A-19-787035-C. Court noted it was included in the list.

Counsel further advised a stipulation will be submitted to the Court moving the Motion for Preliminary Injunction two weeks from May 6. Mr. Savarese noted they have not yet agreed. Court advised it will be out of the jurisdiction on May 20 so it can hear the motion on May 13, June 3, or May 24. Per parties' agreement, a stipulation will be submitted moving the motion for preliminary injunction to May 24.

PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION IN EXCESS OF THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED BRIEF NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY (30) PAGES IN LENGTH: COURT ORDERED, Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion for Leave to File Brief in Excess of Thirty Pages ADVANCED from May 17, 2019 in chambers to today's date. COURT NOTED it would normally not grant this motion; however, the Court GRANTS Plaintiff's motion for leave because of the complexity of the issues.

4-22-19 9:00 AM STATUS CHECK
5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

CLERK'S NOTE: Minutes updated to reflect that the Motion for Preliminary Injunction is now on May 24th, as reflected above and entered in Odyssey, per the parties' agreement in court on April 15. / dr 4-17-19

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**COURT MINUTES** 

April 22, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

vs.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

April 22, 2019 9:00 AM Status Check

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Sandra Pruchnic

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B, ESQ Attorney Koch, David Attorney Pope, David J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Werbicky, Robert E. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Mr. Kahn participated by telephone.

Also present in court:

A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department IX case):

Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs

A-18-786357-W - Compassionate Team of Las Vegas LLC vs. Nevada Department of Taxation

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(Department XIV case): Attorney Daniel Simon for the Plaintiff

A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case): Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs

A-19-787035-C - D H Flamingo Inc vs. State Ex Rel Department of Taxation (Department VI case); Attorney Kelly Stout for the Plaintiffs

A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff

A-19-787726-C - High Sierra Holistics vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XIV case)

Attorney James Puzey for the Plaintiff

COURT advised today is a scheduling conference; these matters have been put on calendar because this Court has the lowest business court case and the motion for preliminary injunction.

Mr. Kemp advised there are also cases in Washoe County and Lyon County; MM Development is the lowest case of all the cases locally; it is assigned to Department IX and has been administered by senior judges, although he understands Judge Silva will be the new judge in Department IX; he had informed Mr. Werbicky that they would not be opposed to coordination in general; however, the problem is that some cases are not in business court and they have a lot of missing parties; he will be filing an answer in a different case, and the proposition there is that even after a motion for coordination is granted a peremptory challenge may be filed; every time you coordinate you get a new bump which violates 48.1; the only way around that is to have a stipulation between all parties to go to one judge and keep that judge. Court stated its goal is to get the preliminary injunction hearing in the instant case finished and since this Court's ruling may affect all the people here today the Court is inviting everyone to participate; the Court is not consolidating the cases for the exact reason that counsel is identifying which could result in multiple things down the road.

Mr. Kemp advised he supports the motion for preliminary injunction and can participate and submit briefing through Mr. Gentile; he points that out because they are already in the discovery process and have taken 6 depositions.

At Ms. Stout's request for clarification, Court stated that at this point it is only planning to coordinate for purposes of the preliminary injunction hearing because of the primarily constitutional and business issue that is woven throughout all the cases. Mr. Bult advised he is probably in the same spot as Mr. Kemp and will help Mr. Gentile. Court noted if everyone is going to be relying on Mr. Gentile then that means all will be asking questions at the preliminary injunction hearing, which will triple the time if there are going to be witnesses. Mr. Bult further advised his only concern right now

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is a briefing schedule.

Mr. Parker advised they were before the Discovery Commissioner a week and a half ago, and Nevada Wellness received a report and recommendation in their favor allowing them certain discovery; so, they may submit briefing which includes that additional discovery. Mr. Bhirud stated he would prefer to respond to one opposition although he would rather not have 7 different rulings either. As to whether parties will have witnesses at the hearing, Court stated it will be up to counsel. Mr. Bhirud added he would prefer that one or two attorneys on the Plaintiffs' side take the lead.

Mr. Koch advised they had stipulated to May 2nd for the opposition; he is not sure if with regards to the hearing fact witnesses would help, because the motion for preliminary injunction as written is really legal argument regarding statutes.

Court noted its only concern is that it was unclear when it read the briefing - because it stopped reading before granting a motion to exceed page limit - if there is an argument that it is unconstitutional as applied, if that is the case, they probably need witnesses.

Upon Mr. Puzey s inquiry, Court stated it does not intend to have the cases in Washoe and Lyon counties come here unless those judges want it to; if those judges and parties want to participate this Court will be happy to have them participate on May 24th; the cases here have the approval of the Chief Judge for coordination given the status of some of the departments they are assigned to. Mr. Bhirud advised the State will stipulate to bring those cases here. Mr. Puzey replied they are not yet prepared to enter into that stipulation today. Court stated it will let counsel discuss that amongst themselves.

Mr. Kemp further advised there are two applications pending in Reno for new licenses which are currently not on the Washoe County agenda but could be put on the agenda on 5 days' notice; there is some concern that they could be heard as early as next week, which would be before the preliminary injunction hearing; if noticed, they will ask Mr. Gentile to take appropriate action here to prevent those applications from becoming somehow moot. Court stated counsel can do whatever they want; the Court will sign an OST.

Ms. Stout requested further clarification; her clients have sought slightly different relief and she wants to clarify whether the action that would be taken with respect to the motion for preliminary injunction here would not prevent other parties from seeking a preliminary injunction in other cases. Court stated yes if seeking on a different basis, but if the same basis as the instant case then it would be done here.

Colloquy between Court and counsel regarding briefing. Per parties' STIPULATION, COURT ORDERED:

Other Plaintiffs to make a decision by May 6, 2019 on whether they are formally joining the motion for preliminary injunction and adding to some of the facts and raising new issues;

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Opposition DUE by May 9, 2019;

Reply brief DUE by May 22, 2019 at noon.

Ms. Stout advised that to the extent this proceeding would prevent her clients from raising a preliminary injunction seeking similar relief later on they would have to OBJECT under EDCR 2.50 and 1.61. COURT SO NOTED. Mr. Bhirud inquired as to whether the Court would prefer to have a motion for preliminary injunction by D H Flamingo filed here. COURT NOTED, if something happens and counsel thinks it needs to be done differently; no one has filed a formal motion to coordinate or consolidate. The Court has invited participation in the preliminary injunction hearing of all interested parties in order to avoid potentially conflicting rulings.

COURT FURTHER NOTED that on May 6th, the date for the other Plaintiff's elections, if there are any other issues that are unanticipated or beyond the pale the Court can discuss those with the parties on a conference call; if there are any discovery disputes that relate to the preliminary injunction hearing the Court can also do this on a conference call.

After the May 24th hearing matter will be set for Rule 16 conference.

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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Other Business Court Matters		COURT MINUTES	May 02, 2019
A-19-786962-B	Serenity We	Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s) vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)	
	vs. State of Nev		

May 02, 2019 1:14 PM Motion to Intervene

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Motion ADVANCED from May 6, 2019.

COURT ORDERED, given the non-opposition filed on May 1, 2019, pursuant to EDCR 2.23, the Court decides this matter without the necessity of oral argument. Upon review of the papers and pleadings on file in this Matter, as proper service has been provided, this Court notes no opposition has been filed. Accordingly, pursuant to EDCR 2.20(e) the Motion to Intervene is deemed unopposed. Therefore, good cause appearing, COURT ORDERED, motion is GRANTED. Moving Counsel to prepare and submit an order within ten (10) days and distribute a filed copy to all parties involved in this matter.

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this minute order was distributed via electronic mail. / dr 5-2-19

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May 13, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B, ESO Attorney Koch, David Attorney Pope, David J. Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Philip Peckman, Mitchell Britten, and Dave Brown, Client Representatives for Thrive Cannabis Marketplace, introduced by Mr. Gutierrez.

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Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Dennis Kennedy for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787035-C - D H Flamingo Inc vs. State Ex Rel Department of Taxation (Department VI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case);

Attorney Philip Byrnes for the Defendant in A-19-794473-C - Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. The City of Las Vegas, Nevada (Department I case);

Attorney Adam Fulton for the Plaintiff in A-19-786888-J - ACC Enterprises, LLC vs. Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XXX case).

Matter heard with A-19-787004-B ETW Management vs. Nevada Department of Taxation and A-19-794473-C Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. The City of Las Vegas, Nevada.

STATE'S MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE in A-19-787004-B ETW Management: Argument in support of the motion by Mr. Shevorski, joinder by Mr. Koch to the State's Motion, and arguments in opposition by Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Fulton. COURT ORDERED, given the unique issues in A787035 related to the appeal and A786888 related to the mailing issues, the Court will NOT COORDINATE those issues in this department. However, the Court will GRANT the motion to the extent it seeks coordination of all the issues related to the preliminary injunction hearing scheduled next Friday (May 24, 2019).

Court noting the Governor signed SB32 last Friday inquired whether it will impact any of the issues or exchange of information that needs to happen before the preliminary injunction hearing next Friday. Mr. Kemp advised the Department of Taxation filed a supplemental group of materials on their website on Friday that raises even more questions; he thinks it will help the process and speed up the preliminary injunction hearing but does not solve the issue.

PROPOSED MOTION FOR ORDER COMPELLING PRODUCTION OF PRESERVED ELECTRONICALLY STORED INFORMATION in A-19-787004-B ETW Management: Per parties' agreement, Motion SET for Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 9 am. Order Shortening Time signed in open court and returned to counsel for filing.

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME: Mr. Gentile argued in support of consolidating the instant case and with A-19-794473-C Serenity Wellness Center, LLC

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vs. The City of Las Vegas, noting they had to file a lawsuit against the City quickly; it makes sense to consolidate these cases as they are identical. Mr. Byrnes advised the City has not received anything in this case but received a copy of the complaint this morning; however, the City also filed this morning a Notice of Removal to Federal Court. COURT NOTED it cannot act today if a notice of removal has been filed.

DISCUSSION REGARDING PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING ON MAY 24, 2019: Court stated it does not care as to what the parties decide on a consolidated date for the oppositions as the Court will read all the briefing; Plaintiffs' reply brief DUE May 22nd. Mr. Shevorski advised that with respect to the motion filed by MM Development their oppositions are due on the 20th. Colloquy regarding suspended rules and counting days. Court noted 14 days from May 6th, the date of service of the motion. Mr. Shevorski advised it is his preference not to have any witnesses on May 24. Mr. Gentile advised that he would like to call witnesses; there has been a good deal of coordination of the attorneys sitting at his table, and he has 3 experts; he also anticipates the hearing will not be completed in one day; 2 of his experts are flying in. Mr. Kemp estimated 2.5 to 3 days for the hearing, depending on how much argument there will be, and advised he is calling one limited witness. Mr. Bult advised he may have one limited witness as well. Mr. Parker advised he is in trial the week of May 27 in federal court in Reno; however, he does have 1 witness in the instant case and anticipated the hearing taking 3 days. COURT TRAILED the matter for the parties to confer on a number of days.

### Matter RECALLED.

APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER (Serenity Wellness against Defendant-Intervenor CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace): Following arguments by Mr. Gentile and Mr. Gutierrez, COURT ORDERED, after evaluating the balance of hardships and likelihood of success on the merits, the Court GRANTS the TRO in a limited respect PREVENTING Thrive from beginning operations at the 3500 Sahara location until after the preliminary injunction hearing which the Court SETS as the same time as the Motion for Preliminary Injunction on May 24, 2019. BOND SET at \$150,000, amount of a half month's rent.

Following further discussion on the estimated length and scope of the hearing(s), COURT NOTED it will SET ASIDE May 24th to the 31st. COURT FURTHER DIRECTED anyone to obtain Mr. Parker's confirmation via email to all parties, since he will be in trial, that he will be fine with everyone else proceeding after his one witness.

5-16-19 9:00 AM DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR, CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S, ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA... ...DEFENDANT INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC.'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA ... LONE MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA...

...NEVADA ORGANIC REMEDIES LLC'S JOINDER TO CLAR RIVER LLC'S MOTION FOR

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PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA...
...GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER LLC'S MOTION FOR
PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA AND GREEN OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S
JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER LLC'S OBJECTION TO PLAINTIFF'S SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM
UPON NON-PARTY, STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (Serenity Wellness against Defendant-Intervenor CPCM Holdings, LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace)

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**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

May 16, 2019

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

9:00 AM

Black, Tisha R Attorney Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B, ESQ Attorney Koch, David Attorney Pope, David J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR, CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S, ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA...
- ...LONE MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA...
- ...NEVADA ORGANIC REMEDIES LLC'S JOINDER TO CLAR RIVER LLC'S MOTION FOR

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PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA...

...GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER LLC'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA AND GREEN OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER LLC'S OBJECTION TO PLAINTIFF'S SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM UPON NON-PARTY, STATE OF NEVADA, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION...
...DEFENDANT INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC. S JOINDER TO

...DEFENDANT INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC. S JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Matter heard with A-19-787004-B ETW Management vs. Nevada Department of Taxation, assigned to Department XI.

Court inquired of Mr. Kemp whether a search protocol was developed when the mirror order was signed in his case. Mr. Kemp advised no, it was just a blanket download; they did not download the State's servers that the applications were on, but the State did preserve those; the key thing here is the 15 laptops used by the graders. Mr. Kemp further advised there was a control copy, the State's copy, and what is supposed to be his copy; no searches have been done by him.

DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR, CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S, ORDER SHORTENING TIME ON MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER AND TO QUASH SUBPOENA and JOINDERS thereto in A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XI case): Arguments by Mr. Graf, Mr. Koch, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Gentile, and Mr. Shevorski. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Shevorski advised they have not yet done the searches subject to 16.1 in the MM case as the information is subject to security protocols; however, it has been preserved; they have produced their 16.1 and have not heard objections from the other side that their 16.1 was inadequate.

Mr. Pope advised that when Judge Bailus was leaving, he said that all he was doing was preserving the information and the parties could fight about it later as to what could be released or not, what was confidential or not; the order even says the Plaintiffs were not to get the information until there was a process; MM wanted copying and then wanted forensic imaging, which requires special software and a lot of time to convert the information into something people are able to look at; money and time are involved; they did not have a vendor; the Department of Taxation I.T. staff thought they had to copy the drives, but when it came to forensic imaging, they had to find someone and the only vendor they could find who could do it was the Washoe County Sheriff's Department through the State's investigative department; he does not know what program but he is working on finding out what platform; their forensic specialist is "Kristy Funsaco" (phonetic), who is an investigator in their office, a State employee, and an expert in this area. Mr. Shevorski concurred searches have not been

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done but they have made their 16.1 disclosures to Mr. Kemp.

Court noting the issue of privilege inquired if the State is in a position to do the redactions to the applications so only limited information is provided. Mr. Pope responded they are not as it would take a couple of employees one year to do that; procedurally they could give back the applicants their apps and have them redact the apps themselves. Mr. Graf replied it appears there has to be a methodology on what information gets disseminated and a methodology of contacting 400 or so applicants. Mr. Graf further argued as to how the State does their evaluations.

COURT ORDERED, with respect to the motion for protective order, for those entities that are parties, the State will RELEASE the applications to those participating in this case.

Those entities may provide appropriate redactions with a privilege log; however, the sections on diversity and financial will not be redacted; those two categories will be produced in unredacted form.

There will also be an attorney's eyes only (AEO) protective order that also allows the Plaintiffs' statistician expert only to review that information.

The production, with redactions, will be DONE by Tuesday (May 21, 2019). Thus, the State will do it expeditiously.

After looking at that, if the Plaintiffs have any supplement they are to file that by Thursday morning (May 23, 2019).

MOTION FOR ORDER COMPELLING PRODUCTION OF PRESERVED ELECTRONICALLY STORED INFORMATION ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case): Statement by Mr. Kemp as to what had happened in the hearing before Judge Bailus which lasted 7 hours, noting that he offered to pay for the State's independent computer consultant. Colloquy regarding possible vendors. Further argument by Mr. Kemp as to 16.1 disclosures being filed but that the hard drives and cellphones have not been provided. Mr. Kemp asked for the 15 hard drives and 3 state cellphones, stating he could take it from there and make them AEO. Mr. Rulis advised HOLO could be a vendor.

COURT ORDERED, the images originally designated as the Plaintiffs' copy will be DELIVERED to HOLO and it will be at Plaintiffs' expense, not at State expense; platform will be provided by HOLO.

Custodian list as well as search terms will be PROVIDED to all parties and to HOLO by 10 am tomorrow, May 17;

If anyone has an objection to a custodian or search term, it needs to be made by 2 pm tomorrow by email with a copy to the Law Clerk so the Court can conduct a conference call;

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If there are unobjected to custodians and search terms HOLO will begin the search process;

If there is an issue related to a privilege that a party thinks they need to review, the party has 24 hours from the identification of the document by HOLO or when HOLO makes it available on the platform to either make a claim of privilege and review the document, order redactions, agree with redactions, or whatever.

Any document to which there is no claim of privilege made will be released so it can be obtained in time for the hearing;

Upon Mr. Koch's inquiry, Court concurred anything not part of M1 through 4 is not privileged, so the Court is ordering that as well as the diversity and financial sections.

All witnesses for the May 24th hearing must be identified by Thursday, May 23rd, at 3 pm; counsel need not say when the witnesses will be called and can work together on a schedule.

Court further directed counsel to contact HOLO that they have a big job coming.

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 17, 2019 2:45 PM Telephonic Conference

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Katz, Moorea L. Attorney Koch, David Attorney McLetchie, Margaret A. Attorney Pope, David J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Werbicky, Robert E. Attorney Zimmerman, Jamie, ESQ Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Travis Chance for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case).

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Court acknowleged receipt of objections. Mr. Rulis advised he was the one who drafted the custodians and search terms on the Plaintiffs' side. Court inquired as to why Amanda Connor, Derek Conner, and other people who do not work for the State or Manpower are appropriate custodians. Mr. Kemp stated Amanda Connor was the person who prepared the applications for, he believes, 4 of the groups and won applications; they are exploring any communications between her and the State. Court notes that is a search term, not a custodian. COURT ORDERED, objection as to the custodian for non-State, non-Manpower is GRANTED. Mr. Bhirud advised he, Mr. Rulis, and HOLO had spoken today; the documents are not organized by custodian.

With regards to search terms, including the Connors, Mr. Hone advised that to the extent it is communications with the State they agree with the Court. COURT ORDERED, since the only computers being searched and only data being searched is data from the State, the Court does not see that there is any privilege related to communications by counsel for any of the applicants.

Court inquired of Mr. Rulis and Mr. Kemp as to why RD numbers need to be searched. Counsel stated it would be to the extent any RD numbers are referenced in any communication. Mr. Kemp noted this is just a small number of RD numbers; they want to see if any comments were made regarding their specific application. Court further inquired about an additional issue of all the first names indicated for Essence and Thrive and why Riana Durrett and Jorge Pupo are appropriate. Mr. Kemp Riana advised Riana Durrett is an attorney with Connor and Connor and is not with the State; Mr. Pupo is the head of the Nevada Department of Taxation; this is again in relation to communications between them and the State. Mr. Bhirud responded the State is not looking to hide anything; their concern is they simply do not have custodians and are not searching a particular method of communication; right now they have 127,000 (inaudible) of files they need to review in 24 hours. Court asked where the State emails were. Mr. Kemp stated that he understands they are on separate servers the State has; they would like to do a search on the State emails at the same time HOLO is doing the search on the mirrors/forensic documents. Court then noted counsel are talking about that separately so the Court will not get involve in it at the moment.

Ms. McLetchie advised it is her understanding Riana Durrett no longer works at Connor and Connor but is now an executive director of the Nevada Dispensary Association. Mr. Kemp stated that when the applications were filed Ms. Durrett was at Connor and Connor. Court asked when Ms. Durrett left. Ms. McLetchie stated she is not sure but she will follow up on that.

Following colloquy regarding connectors used with the search terms, Mr. Kemp confirmed "or" would be the connector but he does not think there will be a lot. With regards to other objections, Mr. Koch, noting that they have 24 hours to review the documents for any privilege, objected as what would be searched is protected under statute; they filed a petition with the Supreme Court to preclude any production by the State and expect that to be heard as soon as possible; he does not see how there is a practical turnaround for the review. Court stated if the Nevada Supreme Court entertains that petition or if counsel file a stay request with this Court, the Court will discuss it with the parties.

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COURT ORDERED, objections from 5 parties MARKED collectively as Court's Exhibit 1 to this hearing. (See worksheet.)

Court noted one of the other issues raised in the objections was well-founded, i.e. that the Plaintiffs' applications also need to be produced under the same format so the scoring issue can be evaluated, as to whether it is correct or not.

Colloquy. Court noted it anticipates the Plaintiffs' applications will be made under the same protective order, under the same ruling, that the Court issued yesterday. Mr. Bhirud requested further clarification on connectors. COURT stated HOLO will run the search with "or" as connector and they will communicate to counsel how many documents were generated by that search; then, parties will meet and confer to decide whether they need to do narrowing before people start looking at documents; if the parties are unable to, they are to contact the Law Clerk by email that they need to speak with the Court, and the Court will figure out how to talk to the parties; HOLO will figure out the number of hits and if it is a huge amount then parties may need to narrow the search. Colloquy regarding amount of data on laptops and the review. Mr. Rulis advised HOLO indicated they would prioritize searching the cellphones; secondly, the concept was that they would not only produce a number of hits but also some sort of shortened privilege log.

Ms. McLetchie requested clarification on unrepresented parties such as Circle S. Mr. Kemp explained what Circle S' significance was with regards to scoring. Court noted it assumes that would be produced in redacted form, except for diversity and financial, as with everyone else. Ms. McLetchie suggested Circle S be notified; she is their registered agent, she would be happy to talk to them, and they need an opportunity to redact their own information. Court stated this was a lovely idea and DIRECTED everyone else serving as registered agents for anyone with an application that may be produced or an attorney-client relationship they are welcome to notify those people with the potential production of their information.

Mr. Gutierrez inquired about the timing for the OST on the motion to stay. COURT STATED it will be able to hear that motion for Thursday, May 23rd at 10:30 am.

Court addressing Mr. Koch's concern stated he has the ability to redact personal identifiers from bank accounts of individuals. Colloquy regarding the protective order and who is drafting it. Mr. Rulis advised they circulated one to the State previously but he can circulate one again to everyone for comment. Colloquy regarding AEO. Mr. Kemp advised they are not really interested in the specific financial information; to the extent they want to be liberal in their redaction of financial information he understands that. COURT added it is NOT OPPOSED to parties redacting the financial information of individuals and not providing or totally redacting bank statements.

Ms. McLetchie stated she does not know whether Circle S has to intervene to protect records concerning their application but she would simply request that they be allowed to be involved in the discovery process. Court noted this if Circle S wants to participate only to the extent of making sure their protected confidential information remains protected in accordance the ruling the Court made,

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they are welcome to do so. Court recommended they notify the Plaintiffs and HOLO.

Colloquy regarding applications. Court inquired whether the State is intending to exclude the applications from the search HOLO is doing. Mr. Bhirud stated that is his preference. Mr. Kemp stated he does not have a problem with that, if HOLO can figure out. COURT NOTED the applications will not be searched then so the State may want to provide applications to people such as Ms. McLetchie's clients for any redaction. COURT FURTHER NOTED it is not anticipating bank statements as part of this process and assumes parties will redact bank statements; that does not mean, however, that the question will not be asked at the evidentiary hearing.

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE

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**COURT MINUTES** 

May 22, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 22, 2019 11:30 AM Telephonic Conference

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B, ESQ Attorney Katz, Moorea L. Attorney Koch, David Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Werbicky, Robert E. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney Wolpert, Leo Attorney Zimmerman, Jamie, ESQ Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case).

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Court acknowledged receipt of the proposed order for last week's hearing as well as a protective order, advised it made a couple of changes, and asked if anyone else had any substantive changes as the Law Clerk did not receive any additional proposals. Mr. Koch stated he and Mr. Rulis have spoken about the issue regarding names of documents HOLO has provided; they cannot tell what the document is and do not know what is in them and would request that the documents be described a little bit better. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Koch stated they received a list from the 15 laptops of 11,000 documents / hits. Mr. Kemp noted, for example, a document named \$100QSMISLS; he has no idea what that is. Mr. Rulis added that the State has a Relativity workspace that was set up for them. Mr. Bhirud responded that he would like the burden to not be pushed back to the State and explained the Relativity platform. Mr. Bhirud further advised that Mr. Pope and Mr. Werbicky are working on this and that the State has already done its part. Mr. Kemp volunteered to review the documents. Mr. Koch stated he believes only the State and HOLO should be able to do that. Mr. Bhirud proposed that counsel for the State go back and identify a document; if a specific applicant is named, they will identify who the applicant is; if it is more, then the State will say multiple applicants; they will have two of their attorneys start working on it, not work on anything else, and they will not stop until they are done and will keep the parties updated on their progress. Court stated this was a reasonable proposal.

Mr. Kemp advised the Plaintiffs have produced their applications but the Defendants' redactions are outrageous; for example, Lone Mountain, which won 11 licenses and is doing business as Verano, had 643 out of 647 pages redacted; the other 4 pages, which he has in his hand, are maybe 50% redacted; Lone Mountain has only given them the names of the 3 people they have put down for diversity, so that production is not in good faith; he will be happy to provide the Court with copies of what he has. COURT ORDERED, this matter will be discussed tomorrow at 10:30 am. Counsel can bring whatever they like.

Hearing no other concerns, COURT stated it will APPROVE the latest version of the protective order with the single statistician and a requirement of a privilege log with the production.

5-23-19 10:30 AM STATUS CHECK

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE)

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 23, 2019 10:30 AM Status Check

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B, ESO Attorney Koch, David Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case).

COURT ORDERED, items MARKED as Court's Exhibits 1A, 1B, 2, 3, and 4 for today's hearing. (See

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worksheet.) Exhibits 2 and 3 are SEALED by ORDER OF THE COURT. Court and counsel discussed documents as they relate to diversity, building plans, addresses and/or lack thereof. Court RECESSED for Mr. Hymanson to make phone call.

Matter RECALLED. Mr. Hymanson provided an update as to the production. Court directed counsel to inform everyone by 2 pm today as pages are totally redacted. Further discussion regarding locations and building plans, scheduling, witnesses, and exhibits.

Proposed order on Clear River's motion for protective order signed with interlineations and returned to Mr. Graf for filing.

5-24-19 9:00 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC d/b/a THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE)

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May 24, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 24, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Alan Castle

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

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## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Preliminary Injunction Hearing (Serenity Wellness against Defendant-Intervenor CPCM Holdings,

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LLC d/b/a Thrive Cannabis Marketplace)

FILED IN A-19-786962-B (Coordinated Cases - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

### APPEARANCES CONTINUED:

William Kemp, Esq. and Nathanael Rulis, counsel for Livfree Wellness LLC; counsel for Livfree Wellness LLC (A-18-785818-W)

Adam Bult, Esq. and Maximillien Fetaz, Esq., counsel for Green Therapeutics LLC, ETW Management Group, LLC (A-19-787004-B)

Theodore Parker, Esq. and Mahogany Turfley, Esq., counsel for Nevada Wellness Center, LLC (A-19-787540-W)

Upon Court's inquiry, exhibits presented and Stipulated exhibits admitted. (See worksheets) Opening statements by counsel. Testimony presented. (See worksheets)

Colloquy regarding scheduling. No objection noted. Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law are to be submitted to the Court by Wednesday (May 26, 2019) at noon. Court recessed for the day. Court advised parties Court will entertain Motion to Compel next date.

5/28/19 9:45 a.m. Further Proceedings: Preliminary Injunction Hearing

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 28, 2019 9:45 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

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### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

#### - DAY 2

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-

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785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Court noted a motion for protective order was filed in the Department VIII case. Mr. Koch advised they subpoenaed Amanda Connor to testify tomorrow. No objection by all parties to having the motion heard by this Court.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, May 29, at 9:00 am, as well as the motion to compel filed in the ETW case and calendared today for 1 pm.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s) vs.

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State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 29, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Maier, Jason R., ESQ Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 3

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Derek Connor for Witness Amanda Connor

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Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME (filed in A-18-785818-W MM Development Company, Inc vs. State of Nevada, Department)...MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME (filed in A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness C enter, LLC vs. State of Nevada Department of Taxation): Mr. Connor requested Ms. Connor not testify, noting attorney-client privileged relationship. Court noted it does not think anyone here will ask questions that would invade true attorney-client privileged communications, but to the extent of the third parties there is a gray line, which is why there is a case by case determination. Mr. Koch stated they do not intend to ask about attorney-client communications. Mr. Gentile argued John Ritter has waived his attorney-client privilege with A. Connor with regards to what they are here about; based on the waiver, it is their intention to go into some of the communications she had with Ritter and with the Department of Taxation where there is no privilege. Colloquy regarding scheduling. COURT ORDERED, witness will testify Thursday after lunch and be done. Motions GRANTED IN PART.

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO COMPEL ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME (filed in A-19-787004-B ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation): Mr. Bult argued that they need to understand exactly what was graded; witness should be compelled to produce the information ordered on the 16th and what is consistent with what the Plaintiffs have. Mr. Cristalli advised his side joined, and argued. Mr. Hone responded all of this information is confidential by statute. Statement by Ms. Shell as to GreenMart's ownership at the time of application. Mr. Koch argued that for purposes of this motion they have already complied. Further argument by Mr. Bult, Mr. Hone, and Mr. Cristalli. COURT ORDERED, copy of license application provided by Mr. Hone MARKED as Court's Exhibit 1 to the Motion to Compel Hearing for today. (See worksheet.) COURT STATED it is satisfied the information that has been redacted related to the attachments is generally appropriate except for information redacted on attachment A's by the applicant even though those individuals were not owners, board members; if the names are redacted they need to be unredacted for purposes of the analysis on diversity; this applies to all parties whether Plaintiff or Intervenor except for the State.

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

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Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, preliminary injunction hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, May 30th at 9:30 am.

CLERK'S NOTE: Court's Exhibit 1 to the Motion to Compel Hearing LODGED with the Vault under A-19-787004-B. /  $\rm dr$ 

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**COURT MINUTES** 

Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s) A-19-786962-B

May 30, 2019

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

9:30 AM May 30, 2019 All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**Iill Hawkins RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

> Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Maier, Jason R., ESQ Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

> > **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- DAY 4

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING

PRINT DATE: 09/23/2019 Page 38 of 102 Minutes Date: March 01, 2019 (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Attorney Christian Balducci for witness Stacey Dugan.

Colloquy regarding scheduling and availability.

Mr. Koch advised as an update on ownership that they have provided Proposed Intervenor Defendants' Exhibits 5025 and 5026 which should provide clarity.

Mr. Balducci stated he is here on behalf of Ms. Dugan with GreenMart; she is subject to a subpoena served in the last 48 hours; he was retained recently; Ms. Dugan is not available today and he is here today to object on her behalf; however, he will be happy to work with everyone on available dates and times. Mr. Kemp advised it was his firm that served Ms. Dugan and he is willing to accommodate her. Court noted parties to work this out.

Mr. Parker advised he and Mr. Shevorski spoke yesterday about the QC notes and evaluation notes; Mr. Shevorski said they were not produced and are subject to a privilege log. COURT NOTED it has to see that privilege log before it can tell counsel that it will look at the documents in camera. Mr. Parker stated they will provide that to the Court.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.)

Further discussion held regarding Ms. Stacey Dugan's appearance. Mr. Balducci appearing by telephone. COURT ORDERED, witness Stacey Dugan to testify at 3 pm tomorrow. Additional discussion regarding the priv log and QC notes. Ms. Haar stated those were identified as MM 16. 1 disclosures. Mr. Parker noted proposed process of redacting the score cards. COURT ORDERED, PRODUCE as AEO. Colloquy regarding scheduling.

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Proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law due by close of business on Monday, June 10th. COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, May 31st, at 9 am.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

May 31, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

# **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- DAY 5

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A

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THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Attorney Christian Balducci for witness Stacey Dugan.

Following arguments by counsel, COURT ORDERED, 5A ADMITTED and counsel can argue the importance of the existence of 5 and 5A.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 10, 2019 10:30 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Maier, Jason R., ESQ Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

# **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- DAY 6

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A

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THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Court disclosed flowers received. Disclosure MARKED as Court's Exhibit 1. Colloquy regarding scheduling.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) COURT ORDERED, motion to dissolve TRO scheduled for June 12 RESET on June 13, 2019 at 9 am. LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, June 11, 2019 at 9:45 am.

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June 11, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 11, 2019 9:15 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

#### - DAY 7

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED to Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 9:30 am.

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Other Business Court Matters COURT MINUTES June 13, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 13, 2019 9:00 AM Motion Bond increased by
\$300,000 = \$450,000

total.

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Cristalli, Michael Attorney

Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Zimmerman, Jamie, ESQ Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case); Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case); Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787540-W Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation.

Mr. Kahn and Ms. Zimmerman appeared by telephone.

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Following arguments by Mr. Gutierrez, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Savarese, Mr. Bult, and Mr. Parker, COURT ORDERED, based on the evidence that the Court has currently heard during the evidentiary hearing, recognizing that the Court has not heard much of the Defendants' case other than Mr. Jolley, the Court FINDS there is no basis to dissolve the Temporary Restraining Order. However, the BOND will be INCREASED by \$300,000 for a total of \$450,000. Additional bond to be posted by next Wednesday (June 19, 2019).

6-18-19 9:30 AM MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION... PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

7-8-19 9:00 AM DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC.'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)...DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)

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June 18, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 18, 2019 9:30 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

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## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 8

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, June 19, at 9:00 am. Colloquy regarding scheduling.

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**COURT MINUTES** 

June 19, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 19, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina **Attorney** Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

#### - DAY 9

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

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Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, June 20, at 9:15 am. Counsel to provide a printed copy of the slides used by Mr. Miller to be marked as a demonstrative exhibit.

Per counsel's request, the Motion for Summary Judgment and Joinders previously scheduled for July 8 are CONTINUED to July 22 at 9 am.

- Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)
- Defendant-Intervenor GreenMart of Nevada NLV LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)
- Clear River LLC's Joinder to Defendant-Intervenor Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment (Claims 1-3)

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**COURT MINUTES** 

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

June 20, 2019

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**Other Business Court Matters** 

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VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 20, 2019 9:15 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Cristalli, Michael Attorney

Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 10

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the

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Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Court acknowledged receipt of motion to release cash bond from Mr. Gentile's office and shared her copy with Mr. Gutierrez. Mr. Graf stated he would object to that motion and like to be heard as to when it will be set.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Brief RECESS for witness to address privilege issues with counsel.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Proceeding resumed. Per the parties' agreement, COURT ORDERED, motion to release cash bond SET for Wednesday, June 26, at 9 am. Order shortening time signed and returned to Mr. Cristalli for filing.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.)

Mr. Graf moved to strike every reference to adequacy of size in Mr. Parker's examination of Mr. Pupo and argued. COURT stated findings, ORDERED, OBJECTION OVERRULED. Mr. Graf further argued as to 453(d)(268)(4)(11) and 453(d)(272), noting as to the latter that he will leave to the Court as the trier of fact what or who the applicant is and who is actually issued the license; he objects to the loose determination that the entity cannot be a person to whom the license is issued. Court NOTED it is listening to all the evidence that is being presented. RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

Counsel estimated 5 more days for this hearing. COURT NOTING its schedule STATED continued date for this hearing to be determined.

COURT FURTHER ORDERED, motion to release cash bond (to be filed under A-19-786962-B) and motion for temporary restraining order (to be filed under A-19-787004-B) shall be HEARD on Tuesday, June 25 at 8:45 am per agreement of the parties.

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Other Business Court Matters COURT MINUTES

June 25, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 25, 2019 8:45 AM Motion

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Cristalli, Michael Attorney

Graf, J. Rusty
Haar, Theresa M.
Hone, Eric D.
Kahn, Jared B
Kemp, William Simon
Koch, David
Rulis, Nathanael R., ESQ
Attorney
Attorney
Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, motion DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for Mr. Cristalli to fix the irregularities with the bond; the TRO is not ineffective, but the additional funds will not be released until the issues are resolved. Colloquy regarding schedule and bond evidence. COURT ORDERED, preliminary injunction CONTINUED.

7/1/19 10:00 AM PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

June 25, 2019 3:16 PM Minute Order

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Due to a clerical error with the attachment, the filing on 6/25/19 at 12:30 pm of the Day 10, Vol. II transcript is stricken to be refiled in a corrected version by the court recorder.

CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. /mt

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A-19-786962-B

July 01, 2019

**Other Business Court Matters** 

Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 01, 2019 10:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

> Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Koch, David Attorney Rulis, Nathanael R., ESO Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Court noted a problem with the Motion to Seal exhibits as they are not confidential and would not seal the exhibits based on a cursory motion. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Graf requested time to file an opposition in response to the Motion for Leave. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheets) COURT ORDERED, Motion to Seal GRANTED IN PART; Exhibit A sealed except for the DOT Clear River 100; Exhibit B sealed except for page one; Exhibit C sealed except for page one; Exhibit E sealed. Motion to Seal Exhibits D and F CONTINUED for Chambers Decision.

7/12/19 3:00 AM MOTION TO SEAL EXHIBITS D & F

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**COURT MINUTES** 

July 02, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 02, 2019 9:00 AM Motion for Leave

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Michaela Tapia

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Cristalli, Michael Attorney

Graf, J. Rusty
Higgins, Brigid M.
Kahn, Jared B
Attorney
Rulis, Nathanael R., ESQ
Shell, Alina
Shevorski, Steven G.
Attorney
Attorney

## JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Also present: Maximilien Fetaz, Esq. and Steven Shevorski, Esq.

Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, Paradise Wellness Center permitted to WITHDRAW from the participation of the master complaint filed in A-19-786962-B; request to substitute MediFarm is DENIED; request to add MediFarm as a party is GRANTED. Colloquy regarding Mr. Parker not being available on 7/1/19. Mr. Cristalli requested the return of the \$150,000.00 cash posted. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Cristalli confirmed he has the bond and presented it to the Court. Opposition by Mr. Graf. Court instructed Mr. Cristalli the bond must match the current caption. Further colloquy regarding scheduling and remaining witnesses.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 10, 2019 1:00 PM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Katz, Moorea L. Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 12

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Mr. Gentile advised the Plaintiff does NOT REST at this time. Court NOTED it will not allow parties to rest in parts. Mr. Gentile further advised the Plaintiff will not be calling a gaming enforcement expert but may still have a drug enforcement administration expert.

Witnesses called out of order. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued.

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, July 11, at 10:00 am.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 11, 2019 10:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

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### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 13

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Mahogany Turfley for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Mr. Bhirud advised the State does not plan on doing anything after this case and before the Court's decision issues. Colloquy regarding scheduling.

Witness(es) called out of order. Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. LUNCH RECESS.

Proceeding resumed. Court advised its trial that was scheduled to take place next week has settled. Colloquy regarding scheduling and witnesses. Mr. Gutierrez detailed a list of witnesses he still intends to call, explaining that he intends to call them as it relates to the irreparable harm prong and would like to talk to them about their applications. Mr. Gutierrez estimated 30 minutes for each witness. Mr. Kemp stated he had 8 people.

Mr. Gentile arrived and advised the Plaintiff has retained a gentleman from Colorado who is an expert in the evaluation of the cannabis business, but he will be called in rebuttal.

At the hour of 2:16 PM, Plaintiffs ETW Management Group LLC, Serenity Wellness Center, MM Development Company, and Nevada Wellness Center, LLC et all RESTED.

Testimony and exhibits continued as to the Defendants' witnesses. (See worksheet.)

COURT DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to determine scheduling and witnesses for next week.

Testimony and exhibits presented.

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vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 12, 2019 10:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

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### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 14

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued.

Colloquy regarding scheduling. COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED to Monday, July 15 at 10 am.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 15, 2019 10:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 15

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued.

COURT ORDERED, the motion to seal in A-19-787004-B will be continued to July 18, 2019 at 9:30 am. Court DIRECTED Mr. Koch to provide the documents with the proposed redaction.

Colloquy regarding scheduling for the remainder of the hearing as well as witnesses. Mr. Kahn advised he will be out of state on August 1st and 2nd. Mr. Gentile reminded the Court he will be calling a rebuttal witness and will be able to report on availability on Thursday (July 18).

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED to Thursday, July 18, at 9:30 am.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s) vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 18, 2019 9:30 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- DAY 16

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A

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THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.)

Court noted its concern about waiting for Mr. Gentile's rebuttal witness until August. Mr. Gentile advised that expert will focus on valuation; however, he does not mean to pre-suppose how this Court will rule; one way would be to issue the preliminary injunction, and if the Court does that it will be asked to set bond; Plaintiff's witness will testify as to approaches and methods of valuation in the cannabis business, the evaluation of a start-up and pre-revenue cannabis business, how to interpret the valuation report, unique issues with regard to evaluating a cannabis business such as the Controlled Substances Act, the banking situation and how that impacts the valuation, and the impact that is being made on the industry as a whole because of California and the increase in production in what is for the most part a market that is pretty much a fixed market. Mr. Gentile proposed resuming on August 1st; his expert is available that day. Court stated it is available that day as well. Mr. Kahn advised he is out until August 5th. Mr. Koch offered that what Mr. Gentile is talking about sort of relates to the calculation of a bond, not as to the actual determination of whether a preliminary injunction is appropriate. Court stated, if anyone is willing to stipulate to having the bond hearing separately, after the Court makes a determination on the injunctive relief portion, the Court will be happy to hear the witness after it issues a decision, and it will only now be looking for a date for closing arguments. Mr. Kemp advised he would so stipulate. Defendants and Intervenor Defendants so STIPULATED. Court noted this is as to what Mr. Gentile is describing is a bond issue that can be handled after the Court makes its decision. Mr. Gentile stated he thinks it is both and that he is concerned about irreparable harm. Court stated it does not think it is an irreparable harm issue; the Court has heard sufficient testimony related to the limited availability of marketable licenses in the industry. Court inquired as to when it can hear closing arguments. Mr. Gentile advised he has canceled two trips but can do July 26. Ms. Shell and another party advised they are out of the jurisdiction that day. Mr. Gentile stated he cannot do closings tomorrow and that he will probably get back Wednesday night. Mr. Bult advised he is not available on July 25. Mr. Gentile advised his expert will be available on the 7th, 9th, and 12th. Court advised counsel of its upcoming trial stack and that it does not have any other availability it can guarantee at this time.

COURT ORDERED, motions currently scheduled for Monday, July 22nd RESET on Tuesday, July

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23rd at 1 pm. Parties to argue for one hour or less on the 23rd.

CLERK'S NOTE: As the Motion for Order to Seal Exhibits A-F Attached to Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel on Order Shortening Time in A-19-787004-B was not addressed, that motion is CONTINUED to Tuesday, July 23rd at 1 pm. Parties notified via electronic mail. / dr

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

July 23, 2019 1:00 PM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** April Watkins

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Cristalli, Michael Attorney

Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Kemp, William Simon Attorney Koch, David Attorney Rulis, Nathanael R., ESQ Attorney Savarese, Vincent Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Adam Bult, Esq. and Maximilien Fetaz, Esq., for Pltfs' in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group, LLC vs. Nevada Department of Taxation (Department XI case)

MOTION FOR ORDER TO SEAL EXHIBITS A-F ATTACHED TO PLTFS' MOTION TO COMPEL ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME FILED IN A-19-787004-B:

Mr. Koch provided the Court redacted version of Exhibit "F". COURT ORDERED, motion

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GRANTED IN PART. Redacted version of Exhibit "F" will be for public view and the original Exhibit "F" will remain SEALED.

DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)...CLEAR RIVER LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)...DEFT/INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV, LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT (CLAIMS 1-3)...JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR HELPING HANDS WELLNESS CENTER, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT:

Following arguments by counsel, Court FINDS license which was applied for in and of itself is not a property right that confers jurisdiction upon this Court to the extent that the claim is for a loss of a property right and for that reason, ORDERS, motion GRANTED IN PART as to those portions of the first cause of action in the Serenity claim and the second cause of action in the ETW claim that are based on the loss of a property right as opposed to the alternative issues plead in that claim. With respect to the remaining arguments, COURT ORDERED, motion DENIED. Department of Taxation had discretion to implement certain regulations related to ballot Question #2 others were mandatory for which no discretion existed on behalf of the department. The Court is in the process of hearing evidence and closing arguments related to those issues and genuine issues of material fact exist related to violations of the department.

CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT...JOINDER TO CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT...DEFT/INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV, LLC'S JOINDER TO DEFT/INTERVENOR CLEAR RIVER, LLC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT:

Arguments by counsel. COURT ORDERED, motion DENIED. At the time of the filing of the two complaints that are assigned to Business Court on January 4, 2019, the process was confidential and it was difficult if not impossible for the Pltfs' in those matters to know who the other applicants were. FURTHER ORDERED, petition for judicial review DENIED.

Court stated once communication is received as to scheduling, the Court will set for argument.

Mr. Graf to prepare the order.

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State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

August 05, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney

Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Prince, Dennis M Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- STATUS CHECK: SCHEDULING RESUMPTION OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING ...APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ON AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada

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Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker and Attorney Mahogany Turfley for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Ms. Higgins, Mr. Parker, and Mr. Kahn appeared by telephone.

STATUS CHECK: SCHEDULING RESUMPTION OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING: Court noted the Law Clerk sent out an email asking about the parties' availability. Court asked if the parties will negotiate amongst themselves or allow the Court to unilaterally set a date. Mr. Koch advised he has trial beginning next Tuesday, August 13. Court further noted it will finish the hearing before the end of the stack. Mr. Gentile inquired whether the State and Intervenor Defendants have rested. Court asked if it can hear closing arguments tomorrow. Mr. Gutierrez advised he has 3 witnesses left. Mr. Graf advised he set a while back 3 depositions for tomorrow. Mr. Parker advised he has calendar call in Reno tomorrow at 1:30. Ms. Higgins advised she is out of town until tomorrow evening. Mr. Gutierrez advised they are not available this week, but next week and the week after his side is. Mr. Shevorski stated he had no more witnesses. Mr. Gentile confirmed his witness is a person who is more on a bond issue which can be done after the hearing. Mr. Prince advised he has trial on September 9 but is available the 3rd and 4th. Mr. Graf stated he cannot let someone else do his depositions, as that would still be Ms. Higgins. Mr. Prince noted they have witness availability problems. Colloquy between Court and counsel. COURT ORDERED, matter TRAILED for parties to confer.

Matter RECALLED. Mr. Prince advised they would like a complete evidentiary record and that they will be filing additional motions before the end of the hearing. Court noted counsel may do so. Following further discussion on the Court and parties' availability, COURT ORDERED, hearing to RESUME on Tuesday, August 13 at 9:30 am, August 14 at 9 am, August 15 at 9:15 am, and August 16 at 9 am, and finish by August 16. If Mr. Parker's trial goes forward in federal court, the Court will determine with counsel where to put his closing argument.

APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ON AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME: Following arguments by Mr. Gentile and Mr. Koch, COURT ORDERED, on the same basis that the Court previously ruled on Thrive, the request is GRANTED to prevent opening but not pre-opening work.

Court, noting information in the spreadsheet, inquired as to what an Xtreme Cube is. Mr. Koch stated it is a modular building and half has been paid.

With regards to a bond, Mr. Gentile stated he does not think there should be any additional bond. COURT ORDERED, BOND SET at \$25,000 each for a TOTAL of \$50,000 which is taking into account utilities, rent, and salaried employees only. The Temporary Restraining Order will REMAIN in place pending the outcome of the preliminary injunction hearing.

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Mr. Parker added that his trial next week starts on Monday and the judge said it is for 7 to 10 days; calendar call is tomorrow at 1:30. COURT DIRECTED Mr. Parker to inform the federal judge after calendar call tomorrow that this Court set a hearing with 30 other lawyers and if they need to speak they can. Mr. Parker further advised it is Federal Court Judge Hicks.

Mr. Kemp advised they have also convinced Judge Togliatti to conduct their mediation this Saturday; they have asked commitments from principals of each company to attend; it would be his request that the Court order or strongly encourage the principals' participation. Court stated it will STRONGLY ENCOURAGE that as it is always better to have the decision-makers attend.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s) vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

August 08, 2019 11:45 AM Telephonic Conference

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

REPORTER:

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

## **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES BY PHONE CONTINUED: Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

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Mr. Parker advised his federal court case settled yesterday at 7 pm. Court stated it has confirmed with federal court Judge Hicks that even though he would have been unwilling to move the trial, the case has settled. The preliminary injunction hearing in the instant case will RESUME as scheduled on Tuesday (August 13, 2019) at 9:30 am despite any rumors to the contrary.

Mr. Gentile inquired as to what time their new request for a TRO will be heard. Court advised it signed the order shortening time earlier, setting the application for Monday (August 12, 2019) at 9 am. Mr. Gutierrez requested that the application be moved to Tuesday as he has another hearing in another department. Mr. Koch noted his trial starts on Tuesday at 9 am. COURT ORDERED, the application will REMAIN on Monday, August 12, 2019 unless the parties reach an agreement.

Mr. Gentile further advised there are critical motions on a homicide case before Judge Adair on Thursday (August 15, 2019) at 9:30 am; he will call the State to see if the motions can be moved to the following week; they will probably take one hour to argue. Court stated that if those motions cannot be moved, the hearing in the instant case will start later that day. Mr. Parker added that August 15 is also the third Thursday of the month, so he will have board meetings. Court so noted.

08/12/2019 9:30 AM - Department 11 APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER ON AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME

08/13/2019 9:30 AM - Department 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

08/14/2019 9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

08/15/2019 9:15 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE) FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

08/16/2019 9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS

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08/19/2019 9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT 11 INTERVENING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, INCREASE THE BOND AMOUNT ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...MOTION TO RELEASE CASH BOND

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August 12, 2019 9:00 AM Motion for Temporary Bond SET at \$15,000.

**Restraining Order** 

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Koch, David Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Smith, Jordan T., ESQ Attorney

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

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Counsel for the State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant, not present.

Call attempted to the contact number for Attorney Jared Kahn, counsel for Helping Hands Wellness Center; call went to voicemail. COURT stated it will ALLOW Mr. Gentile to proceed.

Mr. Gentile advised he has nothing to add. Mr. Koch argued they have continued to incur rent and payroll and the bond should be set at \$1 million. COURT ORDERED, Temporary Restraining Order GRANTED and BOND SET at \$15,000 because there appears to be irreparable harm given the limited licenses. The store is PRECLUDED from opening but not from seeking final approval from government agencies. Court NOTED it did not include payroll in the \$15,000 but added rent and securities.

Mr. Koch advised that as far as the preliminary injunction hearing their I.T. techs here are also the techs in his trial before Judge Denton, and detailed his trial schedule; on Thursday and Friday he has half days. Court so noted, and directed anyone to inform Mr. Kahn and the attorneys for the State.

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**COURT MINUTES** 

August 13, 2019

A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

August 13, 2019 9:30 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**Other Business Court Matters** 

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bhirud, Ketan D. Attorney

Bice, Todd L Attorney Cristalli, Michael Attorney Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hymanson, Philip M. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Pisanelli, James J Attorney Prince, Dennis M Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Smith, Jordan T., ESQ Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

**JOURNAL ENTRIES** 

- DAY 17

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Mr. Gutierrez advised he has 3 witnesses today. All other parties advised they had no other witnesses. Mr. Gentile noted that as of right now, the Plaintiffs do not have a rebuttal case.

Mr. Cristalli advised that with regards to Shane Terry, one of Mr. Gutierrez's witnesses, they do not have his application, not even in redacted form; if Mr. Terry is going to testify they would like the chance to review it. Mr. Rulis advised the company is no longer called Nuveda but TRNVP098 LLC. COURT ORDERED the application be made available before they go forward. Mr. Gutierrez stated that while that is being done, they can start with another witness.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT DIRECTED the parties to check if there are any exhibits that have not been admitted that they want admitted and meet with the Clerk. LUNCH RECESS.

Proceeding resumed. COURT NOTED that in comparing Exhibits 5 and 5A, they both have the same version number, from the Department, of 5.4, and DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to give the Court an explanation as to the change, because the change was testified to and without any indication on the forms the Court is trying to determine whether it has the correct versions of 5 and 5A.

Mr. Parker marked and offered Exhibits 308 through 311. (See worksheet.) All parties reviewed the exhibits and stated they had no objections, with the exception of Mr. Prince who objected to their admission based on relevance, foundation, and hearsay. COURT ORDERED, Mr. Parker to call a witness. Mr. Parker stated he will call Mr. Pupo in rebuttal.

COURT NOTED Mr. Bhirud has confirmed 5 and 5A both include the same footer.

Mr. Cristalli advised Serenity would like to admit 11 items, which were mostly produced by the State: Proposed Exhibits 219, 227, 232 through 234, 242 through 244, 247 through 249. Mr. Shevorski advised the State has no objection to their admission. Court noted the Defendants in Intervention would like the opportunity to review them.

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With regards to Mr. Shane Terry's application, Mr. Cristalli advised they have not had the time to review the applications.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, August 14, 2019 at 9:30 am. Parties will be asked tomorrow individually if they rest. Any motions or pocket briefs prior to closing arguments are DUE by 3 pm on Wednesday. Court further noted it has also set aside Thursday and Friday morning for this hearing.

Mr. Kahn advised he will be calling his client as a witness tomorrow.

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August 14, 2019 9:30 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

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### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 18

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE)

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FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Mr. Wight submitted to the Court two proposed orders, one of them for the operation in Reno. Court signed the orders and returned them to counsel for filing.

Testimony and exhibits presented. (See worksheet.) Court SUSTAINED Mr. Gentile's objection to the admission of proposed exhibits 5065 and 5066 as to the documents themselves but not the testimonial evidence of the witness' personal knowledge. Mr. Kahn requested they submit unredacted versions of 5065 and 5066 and move to seal that portion. COURT stated it CANNOT SEAL the transcript nor these proceedings. Mr. Kahn requested an opportunity to meet with his client. RECESS.

Proceeding resumed. Unredacted copies provided and marked. Court NOTED there is still an objection by Mr. Gentile. Mr. Kahn argued he wished to establish there was a purchaser and his client was not able to act on it. COURT ORDERED, it will not accept the exhibits for the value of the business but as to the prejudice to this client. The OBJECTIONS are OVER RULED and Exhibits 5065 and 5066, which are the redacted versions, are ADMITTED. Unredacted versions RETURNED to Mr. Kahn.

Testimony and exhibits continued. (See worksheet.)

Mr. Shevorski requested an extension to the motion and pocket brief deadline. Mr. Gentile advised they will also be submitting additional authorities. COURT GRANTED the request and gave all parties until tomorrow, August 15, at 8 am. If filing additional authorities counsel to throw a cover sheet over them so they can be caught by the Department. LUNCH RECESS.

Testimony and exhibits resumed. (See worksheet.)

There being no objection, the following proposed exhibits were ADMITTED into evidence: ETW's 414 through 426, and 432 through 445; Serenity Wellness' 219, 227, 232 through 234, 242 through 244, 247 through 249. At the hour of 2:39 PM, ALL PARTIES RESTED.

Redacted version of Shane Terry's application submitted, MARKED as 267, and ADMITTED.

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Mr. Graf made his record regarding leading objections and Ms. Shell about her concern regarding racist statements.

Colloquy regarding scheduling.

COURT ORDERED, hearing CONTINUED tomorrow, August 15 at 9:15 am, for closing arguments.

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**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

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### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

### - DAY 19

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A THRIVE CANNABIS MARKETPLACE)

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FILED IN A-19-786962-B (COORDINATED CASES - A-18-785818-W, A-19-787004-B, A-19-787540-W, A-19-787726-C)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Exhibit 31A provided to the Clerk. Mr. Kahn advised the redactions to 31A were agreeable to him. COURT ORDERED, 31A ADMITTED.

Court acknowledged briefs filed by counsel.

COURT DIRECTED counsel to FOCUS on the following central questions in their closing arguments: whether the Department exceeded the scope of the provisions or acted arbitrarily and capriciously in implementing the provisions of ballot question no. 2, whether "all owners" is ambiguous, and whether the issue related to "all owners" can be cured. COURT ALSO DIRECTED counsel to FOCUS on the physical address issue and the diversity issue. Individual Plaintiffs to PROVIDE the specific RELIEF they are seeking. Court NOTED it is not discussing bond today.

Matter TRAILED for the Court to finish its morning calendar.

Matter RECALLED. Closing arguments by Mr. Gentile, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Parker, and Mr. Bult.

COURT ORDERED, hearing will be in RECESS until tomorrow, August 16 at 9:15 am for the continuation of closing arguments.

Mr. Bice advised the Court of an error on page 5 of his brief.

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August 16, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

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#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- DAY 20

MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION...PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING (SERENITY WELLNESS AGAINST DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR CPCM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A

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APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Closing arguments by Mr. Shevorski on behalf of the State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant, and Mr. Bice, Mr. Koch, Mr. Prince, Mr. Kahn, Mr. Graf, Ms. Shell, and Mr. Hone on behalf of the Intervenor Defendants.

Rebuttal by Mr. Kemp, Mr. Gentile, Mr. Bult, and Mr. Parker.

COURT DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to answer this question as a homework assignment: Which successful applicants completed the application in compliance with NRS 453D.206 at the time the application was filed in September 2018? Mr. Shevorski stated his best estimate to provide an answer would be next Tuesday by 5 pm. Court DIRECTED Mr. Shevorski to circulate an email to everyone, including the Law Clerk.

COURT ORDERED, matter will STAND SUBMITTED. Status Check SET on next Friday's (August 23, 2019) chambers calendar on the Court's decision.

8-19-19 9:00 AM INTERVENING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, INCREASE THE BOND AMOUNT ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME...

...MOTION TO RELEASE CASH BOND

8-23-19 CHAMBERS STATUS CHECK: COURT'S DECISION

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August 19, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

Cristalli, Michael Attorney
Graf, J. Rusty Attorney
Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney
Hone, Eric D. Attorney
McLetchie, Margaret A. Attorney
Shell, Alina Attorney
Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- MOTION TO RELEASE CASH BOND...INTERVENING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, OR, ALTERNATIVELY, INCREASE THE BOND AMOUNT ON ORDER SHORTENING TIME

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

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Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Counsel for Intervenor Defendants Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc. and Nevada Organic Remedies LLC, not present.

Following arguments by Mr. Cristalli, Mr. Graf, and Mr. Gutierrez, COURT ORDERED, motion to release cash bond GRANTED. While the Court understands the issues related to "Tertech" (phonetic) this does not mean the bond's obligations are extinguished. The Court DECLINES to dissolve the TRO or increase the bond given the extensive issues the Court has heard related to injunctive relief.

Mr. Shevorski advised he has spoken with Director Young but he has not heard back from her this morning. Court directed counsel to let everyone, including Court, know if the timeframe is too aggressive.

Mr. Parker advised that the question the Court posed to Mr. Shevorski last Friday made him think over the weekend, that if there are intervenors that did not submit a complete application relative to owners, directors, officers, would they have standing to make an argument regarding the bond? Court stated it does not know, but a bond hearing will be set after the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are issued. If the Court grants the injunction it will probably keep the bond in place but will set an evidentiary hearing because Mr. Gentile had a witness to call.

8-23-19 CHAMBERS STATUS CHECK: COURT'S DECISION

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	State of Nev	ada Department of Taxation, Defendar	nt(s)

August 22, 2019 10:08 AM Minute Order

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- The Court MARKS the email from Mr. Shevorski as Court's Exhibit next in order -- Court's Exhibit 3. (See worksheet.) Any party wishing to object may SUBMIT objections by Monday, August 26, 2019 at 2 PM.

CLERK'S NOTE: Minute Order corrected to reflect the email is MARKED as Court's Exhibit 3, not 2. A copy of this minute order was distributed to all parties via electronic mail. / dr 8-22-19

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August 22, 2019 10:53 AM Minute Order

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- The Court STRIKES the bench brief entitled MM Development Company Inc's and LivFree Wellness LLC Bench Brief Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) as well as the Appendix in Support of Bench Brief Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6), both filed August 21, 2019, as not requested by the Court following the conclusion of the preliminary injunction hearing. The brief may be refiled as an objection to Court's Exhibit 3 lodged this morning and all objections will be HEARD on Thursday, August 29, at 9 am.

8-29-19 9:00 AM OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6)

CLERK'S NOTE: Minute order updated to reflect that the appendix in support of the bench brief was also STRICKEN. A copy of the updated minute order was distributed to the parties via electronic mail. / dr 8-22-19

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	State of Ne	vada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)	

August 23, 2019 3:00 AM Status Check

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** Chambers

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** 

**REPORTER:** 

PARTIES PRESENT:

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Decision issued.

8-29-19 9:00 AM OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6)

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August 29, 2019 9:00 AM All Pending Motions BOND \$5 million in business court cases

collectively

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Haar, Theresa M. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Miller, Ross J. Attorney Prince, Dennis M Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Wight, Brody R. Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- PLAINTIFF NEVADA WELLNESS CENTER'S MOTION REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PHYSICAL ADDRESS REQUIREMENTS OF NRS 453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D265(1)(B), AND NAC 453D.268(2)(E)...OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S

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RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6)

APPEARANCES CONTINUED: Attorney William Kemp and Attorney Nathanael Rulis for the Plaintiffs in A-18-785818-W - MM Development Company, Inc. vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department VIII case);

Attorney Adam Bult and Attorney Maximilien Fetaz for the Plaintiffs in A-19-787004-B - ETW Management Group LLC vs. Nevada Dept of Taxation (Department XI case);

Attorney Theodore Parker for the Plaintiff in A-19-787540-W - Nevada Wellness Center, LLC vs. State of Nevada, Department of Taxation (Department XVIII case).

Ms. Shell participated by telephone.

Court advised that after it released its Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law a copy was sent to each of the judges that are not in business court, notifying the judges that this Court has completed the hearing on the preliminary injunction and that they are to handle the remainder of their cases; the Court has not heard from any of them. Court further inquired as to whether there would be any objection to advancing Lone Mountain's Motion to Strike, which was set for August 30th. Mr. Kemp stated they would like to file an Opposition.

Mr. Gentile advised he did not file a written joinder to Mr. Parker's motion that is on today's calendar, so for the record they join.

COURT FURTHER NOTED it will address the BOND issue today.

Following arguments by counsel, COURT ORDERED as follows:

PLAINTIFF NEVADA WELLNESS CENTER'S MOTION REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PHYSICAL ADDRESS REQUIREMENTS OF NRS 453D.210(5)(B), NAC 453D265(1)(B), AND NAC 453D.268(2)(E): Everyone who participated in the hearing process recognizes that the process used by the Nevada Department of Taxation was flawed; it was adversely impacted by changing the physical address location midstream in the application distribution process; given the Nevada Supreme Court's Decision in the NuLeaf case, the Court DENIES the motion.

OBJECTIONS TO STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION'S RESPONSE TO COURT'S QUESTION ON NRS 453D.200(6): The question the Court asked the Department of Taxation at the conclusion of arguments was made based on a suggestion by one of the Defendants in Intervention that a narrower scope for injunctive relief might be appropriate. The question the Court asked was which successful applicants completed the application in compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) at the time the application was filed in September 2018. Because the Court did not have unredacted versions of the applications for all applicants, it was impossible and it remains impossible for the

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Court to make a determination, which is why the Court has asked the State to make that determination since that is within their records. The standard on injunctive relief is different from the standard that the parties will face at trial or at summary judgment if this matter should proceed, and based on the limited information that was provided to the parties through disclosures as part of the injunctive relief hearing, there was a hearing based on what the Court would characterize as extremely limited information, the Court is NOT GRANTING any affirmative relief to Clear River as requested, because that was not the purpose of this hearing. The Court previously made the determination that it would exclude applicants who properly completed the applications in accordance with NRS 453D.200(6) at the time the application was filed in September 2018. The applicants who fit into that category based upon the State's email to the Court are those in the first and second tier as identified by the State. While the Court understands the argument of some of the parties that certain other information was available that may not be within the scope of the Court's question, the Court's question was limited for a reason. Those in the third category will be subject to injunctive relief which is described in page 24 of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law; those in the first and second category will be excluded from that relief. Any request for modifications by the State based on the State's review of the applications that were submitted by the applicant during the application period will be submitted by motion by the State, and all of the parties will have opportunities to submit briefs and argument that they think are appropriate. The Court is not precluding the State from making any other determinations in this very flawed process. The State will determine how to handle any corrections to this process. Any issues should be directed to the Department based on information that was in the applications at the time. The Court is not going to do the goose gander analysis urged upon the Court by one of the parties under the Whitehead decision.

BOND: Mr. Kemp advised the Court of the availability of Mr. Gentile's expert. Court noted it has received no briefing on the bond. Arguments by Mr. Kahn, Mr. Koch, Mr. Hone, Mr. Prince, Mr. Gentile, and Mr. Kemp. COURT ORDERED, while it appreciates comments from all counsel related to the amount of the bond, the risks of businesses actually opening prior to trial in this matter as well as the risks of any business that is a start-up or new location make it difficult for the Court to place a value on the income stream of any of those entities, which is what the bond needs to be based on, as losses suffered as a result of injunctive relief. For that reason, the Court SETS a fair BOND of \$5 million TO BE POSTED in ten (10) days. Mr. Koch argued the \$5 million should be posted in each of the cases. COURT ORDERED it is only being posted in the business court cases, collectively. This does not include the amount previously posted.

9-9-19 9:00 AM MANDATORY RULE 16 CONFERENCE

CLERK'S NOTE: Following this proceeding, Lone Mountain Partners, LLC's Motion to Strike MM Development Company, Inc. and Livfree Wellness, LLC's Objection to State's Response Regarding Compliance with NRS 453D.200(6) on Order Shortening Time, originally set for Friday, August 30th

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#### A-19-786962-B

VACATED per counsel's request.

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A-19-786962-B Serenity Wellness Center LLC, Plaintiff(s) vs.
State of Nevada Department of Taxation, Defendant(s)

September 09, 2019 9:00 AM Mandatory Rule 16

Conference

**HEARD BY:** Gonzalez, Elizabeth COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03E

**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

**RECORDER:** Jill Hawkins

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

**PRESENT:** Bice, Todd L Attorney

Gentile, Dominic P. Attorney Graf, J. Rusty Attorney Gutierrez, Joseph A. Attorney Higgins, Brigid M. Attorney Hone, Eric D. Attorney Hunt, John A Attorney Kahn, Jared B Attorney Koch, David Attorney Prince, Dennis M Attorney Rulis, Nathanael R., ESQ Attorney Shell, Alina Attorney Shevorski, Steven G. Attorney Smith, Jordan T., ESQ Attorney

#### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

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Mr. Gentile advised they have mediation next Monday (September 16, 2019) at 9 am.

9-13-19 10:00 AM MANDATORY RULE 16 CONFERENCE

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vs.
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September 13, 2019 10:00 AM Mandatory Rule 16

Conference

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**COURT CLERK:** Dulce Romea

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**REPORTER:** 

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Case No.: <b>A-19-786962-B</b>	Hearing Date: MAY 17, 2019 – TELEPHONIC CONFERENCE
Dept. No.: XI	Judge: HON. ELIZABETH GONZALEZ
	Court Clerk: DULCE ROMEA
Plaintiff: SERENITY WELLNESS CENTER LLC	Recorder: JILL HAWKINS
	Counsel for Plaintiff: MICHAEL CRISTALLI, ESQ.
VS.	
Defendant: STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION	Counsel for Defendant: KETAN BHIRUD, ESQ.;
	DAVID POPE, ESQ.; ROBERT WERBICKY, ESQ.
	* See May 17, 2019 minutes for more appearances.

### **HEARING BEFORE THE COURT**

### **COURT'S EXHIBIT**

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Date Offered	Objection	Date Admitted
1	OBJECTIONS	-		Marked 5-17-19

Case No.:	A-19-786962-B	Hearing Date:	MAY 23, 2019 - STATUS CHECK			
Dept. No.:	XI	Judge: HON. ELIZABETH GONZALEZ				
		Court Clerk: <b>DU</b> L	CE ROMEA			
Plaintiff: SERENITY WELLNESS CENTER, LLC		Recorder: JILL HAWKINS				
		Counsel for Plaintil	f: DOMINIC GENTILE, ESQ.;			
	vs.	MICHAEL CRISTA	ALLI, ESQ.			
	STATE OF NEVADA IENT OF TAXATION	Counsel for Defend	dant: KETAN BHIRUD, ESQ. ;			
		STEVEN SHEVOR	SKI, ESQ.			

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#### **COURT'S EXHIBITS**

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Date Offered	Objection	Date Admitted Marked
1A	BINDER: ESSENCE TROPICANA APPLICATION			
	BATES NOS. DOT-ESSTrop 000001 through			
	DOT-ESSTrop001498			5-23-19
13	BINDER: ESSENCE TROPICANA APPLICATION			
	BKTES NOS. DOT-ES Trop 001499 Hrough			5-23-19
2	BINDER: THE NEVADA APPLICATION	-		
	BATES NOS. DOJ-THCNVOCOCO1-955			5723-19
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<u>-</u>	BATES LOS. DOT-MIN 000001 through 128	~		5-23-19
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4	BINDER: LONE MOUNTAIN'S APPLICATION			
	BKE NOS. DOT-LONE MASS 000001 through 647		<del> </del> ,	5-23-19
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- Case No.:

A-19-786962-B

Hearing Date:

May 24, 2019

Dept. No.:

XI

Judge:

Honorable Elizabeth Gonzalez

Court

Clerk(s):

**Dulce Romea** 

ALAN PAUL CASTLESR

Plaintiff: Serenity Wellness Center, LLC, et al.

Recorder:

Jill Hawkins

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Counsel for

Counsel for Defendant:

Will Kemp, Esq.

Plaintiff:

Nate Rulis, Esq.

VS.

Kemp, Jones and Coulthard, LLC

Defendants: STATE OF NEVADA,
DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION; Nevada

Organic Remedies, LLC, Defendant

Intervenor

Aaron Ford, Esq.

Ketan Bhirud, Esq.

Steve Shevorski, Esq.

David Pope, Esq.

# NOTE: All exhibits that were not offered

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or admitted were returned to counsel. See See minutes receipt filed 8-29-19.

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0001	MMLF000001- MMLF000003	State 2014 HHS Scoring Clark County Henderson [On DOT Website under "Provisional Certificates Awarded in November 2014: Scores and Rankings "Dispensaries"]	5/24/19	STIP	S24-19	wa
0002	MMLF000004- MMLF000006	State 2014 HHS Scoring Clark County Uninc. [On DOT Website under "Provisional Certificates Awarded in November 2014: Scores and Rankings "Dispensaries"]				us.
0003	MMLF000007- MMLF000009	State 2014 HHS Scoring Clark County Uninc. [On DOT Website under "Provisional Certificates Awarded in November 2014: Scores and Rankings "Dispensaries"]			\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	w
0004	MMLF000010- MMLF000011	July 6, 2018 DOT Notice Of Intent To Accept Applications				WA.
0005∦	MMLF000012- MMLF000045	DOT Retail Marijuana Application			k	w
0006	MMLF000046-	August 16, 2018 DOT Notice of				]
)!	MMLF000047	Remaining Store Allocations by Jurisdiction		\	1	W?
0007	MMLF000048- MMLF000053	DOT Application Scoring Tool - Organizational Structure	5/14/6	S74 /	\$/24/19	w

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029	TO BE PRODUCED	Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC ("The Source") Diversity Section Only From 2018 Apps	NOT	· PROV	10523	
0028	TO BE PRODUCED	Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC ("The Source") 2018 Apps [RD215-222]	NOT	PROVI	000	
0027	TO BE PRODUCED	Essence Tropicana, LLC ("Essence") 2018 Apps (RD345-348)	5/24119	s+18	5/24/19	W
0026	TO BE PRODUCED	Essence Henderson, LLC ("Essence") 2018 Apps (RD316-319)		/		W
	MMFL00126	Grades				W
0025	MMFL00117 MMFL00118-	Identified 2018 Grades LivFree Handwritten Financial Subpart		<b>}</b>		\ \
0024	MMLF000110 MMLF00111-	2018 Grades  MM Development Identified and Non-				W
0023	DOT-LivFree006570 MMLF000110	from 2018 App.  LivFree Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades				W
0022	DOT-LivFree012790 DOT-LivFree006569-	LivFree Wells Fargo Bank Statement				W.
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0020	DOT-MM000001-	MM Development 2018 Apps				W
0019	MMLF000102- MMLF000103	DOT Scoring Lyon				W
^018	MMLF000100- MMLF000101	DOT 2018 Scoring Reno				V
0017	MMLF000098- MMLF000099	DOT 2018 Scoring NLV				v
0016	MMLF000097	DOT 2018 Scoring Henderson				<b>.</b>
0015	MMLF000095- MMLF000096	DOT 2018 Scoring LV (1 to 30)				W
0014	MMLF000092- MMLF000094	DOT Scoring Clark County (Uninc.) (1 to 35)				•
0013	MMLF000085- MMLF000091	DOT Scoring All Jurisdictions All Applicants				W
0012	MMLF000081- MMLF000084	DOT Scoring Tool - Taxes & Financial Contributions				Αv
0011	MMLF000077- MMLF000080	DOT Application Scoring Tool - Financial Resources				w
0010	MMLF000073- MMLF000074	DOT Application Scoring Tool - Likely Impact On Community				JAN.
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8000	MMLF000054- MMLF000067	DOT Application Scoring Tool - Care, Quality & Safekeeping	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	w

BUDGET (NOTE: EXHIBIT 20A is in the backof binder 5.)

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		EXHIBIT(S) LIST			
0030	TO BE PRODUCED	Deep Roots Medical, LLC ("Deep Roots Havest") 2018 Apps [RD397- 401]	NOT	PROVID	50
0031 <i>31A</i>	TO BE PRODUCED	Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc.	NO7	NO	31A 008-14
0032	TO BE PRODUCED	Cheyenne Medical, LLC ("Thrive") 2018 Apps [RD263-267]	)		
0033	TO BE PRODUCED	Commerce Park Medical, LLC ("Thrive") 2018 Apps [RD329-332]	,		
0034	TO BE PRODUCED	Lone Mountain Partners, LLC ("Zenleaf") 2018 Apps [RD590-602]	A NO	T PROV.	080
0035	TO BE PRODUCED	Greenmart of Nevada NLV, LLC ("Health For Life") 2018 Apps [RD504- 511]			
0036		Greenmart of Nevada NLV, LLC ("Health For Life") Diversity Section Only From 2018 Apps			
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038	TO BE PRODUCED	Clear River, LLC ("Kabunky") Diversity Section Only From 2018 Apps		PROVID	
0039	TO BE PRODUCED	Wellness Connections of Nevada, LLC ("Cultivate") 2018 Apps [RD631-633	NOT	PROVID	50
0040	TO BE PRODUCED	Circle S Farms, LLC ("Circle S") 2018 Apps [RD373-377]	NOT	PROVIDE	70
0041	MMLF00127- MMLF00128	Essence Tropicana, LLC ("Essence") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) [227.84]	5/24/19	STIP	5/29/19
0042	MMLF00129- MMLF00130	Essence Henderson, LLC ("Essence") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) [227.17]			
0043	MMLF00131- MMLF00132	Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC ("The Source") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) [222.66]			
0044	MMLF00133- MMLF00137	Deep Roots Medical, LLC ("Deep Roots Harvest") Identified and Non- Identified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) [222.49]	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19

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0045	MMLF00138- MMLF00139	Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc. Identified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) Identified [218. 50]	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	UA
0046	MMLF00140- MMLF00141	Cheyenne Medical, LLC ("Thrive") Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) [216.50]			1	ug
0047	MMLF00142- MMLF00143	Greenmart of Nevada NLV, LLC ("Health For Life") Identified and Non- Identified 2018 Grades (Uninc. Clark County) [214. 50]				uA
0048	MMLF00144- MMLF00145	Lone Mountain Partners, LLC ("Zenleaf") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Uninc.) [214.58]				WA
0049	MMLF00146- MMLF00147	Commerce Park Medical, LLC ("Thrive") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Uninc.) [212 .16]				ur
0050	MMLF00148- MMLF00149	Clear River, LLC ("Kabunky") Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [210 .16]				wa
0051	MMLF00150- MMLF00151	Essence Tropicana, LLC ("Essence") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [227.84]				wh
0052	MMLF00152- MMLF00153	Nevada Organic Remedies, LLC ("The Source") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [222. 66]				wh
0053	MMLF00154- MMLF00155	Deep Roots Medical, LLC ("Deep Roots Harvest") Identified and Non- Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [222.49]				wh
0054	MMLF00156- MMLF00157	Helping Hands Wellness Center, Inc. Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [218.50]				w
0055	MMLF00158- MMLF00159	Cheyenne Medical, LLC ("Thrive") Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [216. 50]				w
1056	MMLF00160- MMLF00161	Lone Mountain Partners, LLC ( "Zenleaf") Identified and NonIdentified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [214. 50]	5/24/19	STIP	5)24/19	wr

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0057	MMLF00162- MMLF00163	Greenmart of Nevada NLV, LLC ("Health For Life") Identified and Non- Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [212. 33]	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	מיח
0058	MMLF00164- MMLF00165	Clear River, LLC ("Kabunky") Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [210 .16]	i			νΛ
0059	MMLF00166- MMLF00167	Wellness Connections of Nevada, LLC ("Cultivate") Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [208. 67]				WA
0060	MMLF00168- MMLF00169	Circle S Farms, LLC ("Circle S") Identified and Non-Identified 2018 Grades (Las Vegas) [208]			•	W
0061	MMLF00170	Chart Diversity Scores of The Ten 2018 Winning Applicants in Uninc. Clark County				W
n062	MMLF00171	Chart Diversity Scores of The Ten 2018 Winning Applicants in Las Vegas	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	w
0063	MMLF00172	Chart Financial Scores of The Ten 2018 Winning Applicants in Uninc. Clark County				
0064	MMLF00173	Chart Financial Scores of The Ten 2018 Winning Applicants in Las Vegas				
0065	MMLF00174	Chart Building Scores of The Ten 2018 Winning Applicants in Uninc. Clark County				
0066	MMLF00175	Chart Building Scores of The Ten 2018 Winning Applicants in Las Vegas				
0067	MMLF00176	Chart Cheyenne Medical, LLC ("Thrive") and Commerce Park Medical Identical 19.67 Scores On Applications For Locations With No Address				
^068	MMLF00177	Chart Taxes And Other Beneficial Contributions of 2018 Winning Applicants in Uninc. Clark County				

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0069	MMLF00178	Chart Taxes And Other Beneficial Contributions of 2018 Winning Applicants in Las Vegas				
0070	MMLF00179	Chart Scores Of 2018 Winning Applicants And 5 Applicants Under Winners In Uninc. Clark County Giving Zero Diversity Score To Winning Applicants Owned Or Controlled By Canadian Publicly Traded Companies [Green Shade Revised Winners	6-11-19	NO	6-11-19	'n
0071	MMLF00180	Chart Scores Of 2018 Winning Applicants And 5 Applicants Under Winners In Las Vegas Giving Zero Diversity Score To Winning Applicants Owned Or Controlled By Canadian Publicly Traded Companies [Green Shade Revised Winners]	6-11-19	NO	6-11-19	75
0072	MMLF00181- MMLF00350	DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	ua
0073	MMLF00351	RD505 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members "Greenmart of Nevada, NLV LLC ("Greenmart of Nevada") Uninc. Clark				
0074	MMLF00352	RD215 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members Nevada Organic Remedies ("The Source") Uninc. Clark				
0075	MMLF00353	RD229 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members [Clear River LLC ("Kabunky") Uninc. Clark	1			
0076	MMLF00354	RD263 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members Cheyenne Medical LLC ("Thrive") Uninc. Clark				-
0077	MMLF00355	RD329 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity owners/Officers/Board Members Commerce Park Medical LLC ("Thrive") Uninc. Clark				

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0078	MMLF00356	RD345 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity owners/Officers/Board Members Essence Henderson ("Essence") Uninc. Clark				
0079	MMLF00357	RD316 section from DOT May 1, 2019 Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members Essence Tropicana LLC ("Essence") Uninc. Clark				
0800	MMLF00358- MMLF00359	Essence Henderson, LLC 12/29/17 Nev.Sec.State filing	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	w
0081	MMLF00360- MMLF00361	Essence Tropicana, LLC 12/29/17 Nev.Sec.State filing			1	or.
0082	MMLF00362- MMLF00363	Cheyenne Medical, LLC 7/25/14 Nev.Sec.State filing ("Thrive")				س
0083	MMLF00364- MMLF00365	Commerce Park Medical, LLC 7/7/2014 Nev.Sec.State filing ("Thrive")				v
084	MMLF00366- MMLF00380	Greenmart of Nevada NLV, LLC Nev.Sec.State filing ("Health For Life) [Have Certified Copies]Only Manager in 2018 is "F & L Investments, LLC."				V
0085	MMLF00381- MMLF00383	12/11/18 Essence Press Release (Nov. 13???)				u
0086	MMLF00384- MMLF00386	12/13/18 Gilbert Aff. (Para. 15-16; "The information [that Essence won multiple entities in the same jurisdiction], attributed by MM to 'press reports' related to the breakdown of licenses awarded in Clark County, is inaccurate;")	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	W
0087	MMLF00387- MMLF00389	5/15/19 LV City Council package from Commerce Park Medical, LLC re: Sahara Store				
0088	MMLF00390- MMLF00396	January 23, 2017 Article in New Cannabis Ventures entitled "Wall Street Veteran Sells Cannabis Operations Stake in \$25 million Deal" regarding CXF Life Sciences, a subsidiary or				

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		Canadian Bioceuticals (CSE:BCC) buying an option to buy GreenMart in Nevada Nevada Secretary of State Information for CGX Life Sciences, Inc. [Have Certified				
0089	MMLF00397- MMLF00411	Nevada Secretary of State Information for CGX Life Sciences, Inc. [Have Certified Copies]. Only officers in 2018 were Elizabeth Stavola as President and William Boyes as Sec/Treas/Director	5/24/29	STIP	5/24/19	~
0090	MMLF00412- MMLF00413	May 9, 2019 Terteryan Aff.; "3. HHWC is a lawfully licensed cannabis cultivator and production facility in North Las Vegas.")	8/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	vs
0091	TO BE PRODUCED	Chart of 8 "Board Members" of Greenmart of Nevada, LLC, i.e., Caroline D. Clark, Stacey L. Dugan, Lucy Flores, Shelli Hayes, Hae U. Lee, Laura Martin and Scot D. Rutledge	NOT	PROVIC	ED	
0092	MMLF00416- MMLF00652	Xanthic Biopharma Inc. Securities Filings	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	مں
<del>•</del> 093	MMLF00414- MMLF00415	Xanthic Biopharma Inc. Form 51-102F4 Business Acquisition Report, Item 2.1, regarding "acquisition by GGB Nevada LLC ("GGB Nevada"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Xanthic, of 100% of the outstanding membership interests of Nevada Organic Remedies LLC ("NOR") Xanthic completed the NOR Acquisition on September 7, 2018.") and Item 2.2 "Date of Acquisition" stating that "[t]he effective date of the NOR Acquisition is September 4, 2018."	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	
0094	MMLF00653- MMLF00666	Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Consolidated Financial Statements for June 30, 2018 and 2017 stating in part that "In September 2018, the members of the Company sold 100% of their membership interest to GGB Nevada LLC in an arm's length arrangement."	5/24/n	STIP	5/24/19	
095	MMLF00667- MMLF00671	GGB Nevada LLC Nevada Secretary of State filings	5/241R	STIP	5/24/19	, v.

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0096	MMLF00672	Cronkhite email re: NOR minor sales	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	مور
<u>.</u> 097	MMLF00673- MMLF00682	September 7, 2018 Newswire report stating that "[t] he NOR Acquisition was completed on September 4, 2018 The trading of Xanthic's common shares on the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "CSE") remains halted "because of completion of a reverse take-over of Xanthic by Green Growth Brands – another publicly traded entity. Green Growth Brands traded under the symbol OTCQB on OTCQB. Xanthic formally changed its name to Green Growth Brands, Inc., on January 2, 2019.				
0098	TO BE PRODUCED	February 27, 2019, Green Growth Brands reported revenue of \$3.14 Million.	NOT	PROVI	050	
0099	MMLF00683- MMLF00724	Nevada Organic Remedies LLC Secretary Of State filing. Only managers in 4/12/18 filing were Stephen J. Byrne and Andrew M. Jolley. 1/2/19 filing changes also has Byrne and Jolley despite fact that GCB owned NOR membership interest at time not Byrne and Jolley	"	TIP	6/24/19	J.K
0100	MMLF00725- MMLF00726	Naturex, LLC Nev. Secretary of State filing. Lists BB Marketing, LLC as only officer				ہمر
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0102	MMLF00730- MMLF00731	Ghost Pepper, LLC Nev. Secretary of State filing. Michael Frey as only officer.				کیس
0103	MMLF00732- MMLF00733	Kosh, LLC Nev. Secretary of State filing. Lists Robert Frey as only officer.				ust
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-v105	MMLF00736- MMLF00767	Naturex/BB Marketing Complaint against Verano/Lone Mountain alleging Verano/Lone Mountain committed				

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106	MMLF00768- MMLF00868	LivFree handwritten graders by 3 different evaluators and handwritten team grades	5/24 /19	5718	5/24/19	JA.
0107		Nevada Secretary of State – Lone Mountain Partners, LLC	5,/24)19	5718	5/24/19	مر

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0108	KP00000001- P000000044	Kyril Plaskon Cell Phone Extraction Report	5-28-19	NO	5-28-19
0109	SG00000001- SG000000101	Steve Gilbert Cell Phone Extraction Report	6-11-19	No	5-28-19
0110	SG000000102- SG000000108	Steve Gilbert Cell Phone Voicemails (THUMBDRIVE)			
0111	DOT020839-DOT020841	Department of Taxation September 2018 Marijuana Application Diversity Scoring Desktop Procedure	5-28-19	NO	5-28-19
0112	MMLF00882- MMLF00888	Article "GTI – Green Thumb Industries, INC. Expands with the Acquisition of Integral Associates, Nevada's Top Cannabis Operator			
0113	MMLF00889- MMLF00890	Top 20 Clark County Building & Location Subpart Scores			
<i>5</i> 114	DOT020829-DOT020838	Regulation Training 3 – Nevada	5-28-19	NO	5-28-19
0115	MMLF00891- MMLF00911	Natural Medicine, LLC – Recreational Retain Marijuana Store, Part 1, Tab IV			

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117	MMLF00947-	Excerpts of MPX Bioceutical		
	MMLF00953	Corporation Notice of Meeting	İ	
		and Management Information		
		Circular		
0118	MMLF00954-	MPX Bioceutical Corporation		
	MMLF00957	Board of Directors		
0119	MMLF00958-	MPX Bioceutical Corporation		
	MMLF01000	– Management Discussion and		
		Analysis for period ended		
		12/31/17		
0120	MMLF01001-	Excerpt of Hearing on Motion		
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203	Serenity000008 – Serenity000013	Green Thumb Industries Inc. (GTI) Expands with the Acquisition of Integral Associates, Nevada Top Cannabis Operator (Article) – Not disclosed				ns
204	Serenity000014 – Serenity000017	MPX Awarded Four Conditional Retail Dispensary Licenses in Nevada (Article)  - Not disclosed				ns
205	DOT1 - DOT170	Powerpoint Training - Day1	)			us
206	DOT171 – DOT234	Powerpoint Training – Train the Trainer				wA
207	DOT235 – DOT367	Powerpoint Training – Application & Score Sheet	/			Ur
208	DOT368 – DOT390	Powerpoint Training – Application Practice	5-24-19	שרנט	5-24-19	JuA

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211	DOT446 - DOT484	Powerpoint Training – Licensing, Certification & Regulation (2)				wa
212	DOT485 - DOT487	Executive Order dated 2/3/17				W
213	DOT488 - DOT648	Task Force Final Report				wA
214	Serenity000018 - Serenity000028	Marijuana License Application Scoring Analysis – Unincorporated Clark County (Not disclosed)				Wf
215	Serenity000029 – Serenity000039	Marijuana License Application Scoring Analysis – Clark County – City of Las Vegas (Not disclosed)				WA
216	DOT-Nutleaf 1 – DOT-Nuleaf6255	Redacted Application				WA
217	DOT- GBSNV000001- GBSNV000316	Redacted Application				wa
218	DOT-TGIG000001 – DOT-TGIG009152	Redacted Application	5-24-19	SMP	5-24-17	WA
219	Serenity000040 – Serenity000043	Entity Application Key; Entity ID & Company name	8-14-19	NO	8-14-19	WA
220	Serenity000044 – Serenity000367	Detailed Scores by Category Sheet / Non Identified	5-31-19	NO	5-31-19	w
221	Serenity000368 – Serenity000494	Detailed Scores by Category - Identified	6-10-19	NO	6-10-19	ישט
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251	DOT041858- DOT041859	Email Correspondence	6-19-19	NO	6-19-19	WA
252	DOT042442-	App. Period - Final Letters - County	<del> </del>		-	
	DOT042463	Breakdown	6-19-19	NO	6-19-19	WA
253	DOT042986-	Final Letters – Winners Only –	( 10 10	NO		1114
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254	DOT028140-	NV Organic Remedies DOT Scoring	6-19-19	NO	6-19-19	
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258	Serenity000918-	2018 Retail Marijuana Store				
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259	Serenity000925-	Meeting Notice and Agenda Minutes				۸.,
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261	Serenity000929 – Serenity000964	Agency Request for Proposal Template	6-2019	NO	6-20-1	p WA
262	Serenity000495 – Serenity000531	Correspondence between Gravitas Nevada, LTD (License RD238 & RD239) and Department of Taxation dated: January 4, 2019; January 10, 2019; February 7, 2019 and March 6, 2019			6-2019	
263	Serenity000532 – Serenity000535	August 29, 2013 Memo re: Guidance re Marijuana Enforcement	6-19-19	NO	6-19-19	WA

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302	KITACHMOUT A: RECRETATIONAL MARITUANA ESTAB LISHMENT KPPLICATION (ESSENCE TROPICANA)	6-11-19	No	6-11-19	Jωρ
303	SPREMOSHEETS	6-11-19	NO	6-11-19	wa
304	SCORING NOTES (RDO263)	6-18-19	NO	6-18-19	≠ WI
305	SCORING NOTES (20386 to 20390)	6-18-19	NO	6-18-19	þω
306	NWC-EVALUATOR'S FILE	6-20-19	NO	6-20-19	PW
307	PART I OF NEVADA WEZLNESS'	6-20-19	NO	6-20-19	
308	OVERVIEW OF MEEDING WITH DRS	8-13-19	087	8 73-19	wa
309	NARKET DEMAND+DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMEN	8-13-19 71	003	8-13-19	uq
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401	DOT-ETW000001-DOT- ETW000139	ETW MANAGEMENT GROUP LLC, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Identified	5/24/19	5718	5/24/19	m
402	DOT-Global000001-DOT- Global000299	GLOBAL HARMONY LLC, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Identified				WΑ
403	DOT-Green Therapeutics000001-DOT- Green Therapeutics000637	GREEN THERAPEUTICS LLC, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Identified			,	us
404	DOT-GreenLeaf000001- DOT-Greenleaf000448	GREEN LEAF FARMS HOLDINGS LLC, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Identified				WAT
405	DOT- HerbalChoice000001- DOT-HerbalChoice000093	HERBAL CHOICE INC., September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Identified				wr
. '06	DOT-JustQuality000001- DOT-JustQuality000243	JUST QUALITY, LLC, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Identified	5/24/19		5/24 )14	WA

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07		LIBRA WELLNESS CENTER,		j		1
	DOT-Libra000001-DOT-	LLC, September 2018 Recreational				
	Libra000333	Marijuana Establishment License,	c1 1.	5118	_1 ,	lu
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408		MMOF VEGAS RETAIL, INC.,			, ,	1
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	DOT-MMOF000001-	Marijuana Establishment License,	1	( )	/	lμ
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409		NEVCANN LLC, September 2018		<del>                                     </del>		1
407	DOT-NevCann000001-	Recreational Marijuana		\		١.
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410		Establishment License, Identified		<del>                                     </del>	<del>  </del>	┨
410	DOT-RedEarth000001-	RED EARTH LLC, September		[ \		
	DOT-RedEarth000170	2018 Recreational Marijuana		<b> </b>		l
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411		ROMBOUGH REAL ESTATE		/		
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	. ~	September 2018 Recreational	}	/		V
	DOT-Rombough000519	Marijuana Establishment License,		1 1		
		Identified				
412	DOT-THCNV000001-	THC NEVADA LLC, September		\	1 1	
	DOT-THCNV0000955	2018 Recreational Marijuana	l f	\	] [	u
· .	DO1-111CN v000955	Establishment License, Identified		`	1	
<b>113</b>	DOT-Zion000001-DOT-	ZION GARDENS LLC, September				
	Zion000652	2018 Recreational Marijuana	-)		. ( س	ا ا
	Z1011000032	Establishment License, Identified	5/24/19	ST 19	5/24/19	
414	COMPA00001-	Company A, September 2018				1
	COMPA000381	Recreational Marijuana		ļ	•	
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		Identified	_			
415	COMPB000001-	Company B, September 2018				1
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410	COMPE00001- COMPE000324	Recreational Marijuana		\	/	
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		Establishment License, Non-	)	/	/	١
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419	COMPF000001-	Company F, September 2018	8-14-19	NO	814-19	W

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<i></i>	COMPF000359	Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified	8-14-19	NO	8-14-19	
420	COMPG000001- COMPG000228	Company G, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified				wa
421	COMPH000001- COMPH000232	Company H, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified				WF
422	COMPI000001- COMPI000368	Company I, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified				WA
423	COMPJ000001- COMPJ000228	Company J, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified				wa
424 )	COMPK000001- COMPK000363	Company K, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified				WA
425	COMPL000001- COMPL000678	Company L, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified				iw
426	COMPM000001- COMPM000382	Company M, September 2018 Recreational Marijuana Establishment License, Non- Identified	8-14-19	NO	8-14-19	w
427		Affidavit of Paul Thomas executed May 3, 2019				
428		Affidavit of Ronald A. Memo executed May 3, 2019				
429		Affidavit of Dispensary Application of Andy Zhang executed May 6, 2019				
430		Affidavit of Global Harmony LLC executed by John Heishman on May 6, 2019				
431		Affidavit of Ronald Doumani executed May 6, 2019				
32	DOT-ETW000007-DOT- ETW000009	ETW MANAGEMENT GROUP LLC, Attachment A	8-14-19	NO	8-14-19	WA

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434	DOT-GreenLeaf000009- DOT-GreenLeaf000016	GREEN LEAF FARMS HOLDINGS LLC, Attachment E			/
435	DOT- GreenTherapeutics000008- DOT- GreenTherapeutics000031	GREEN THERAPEUTICS LLC, Attachment A			
436	DOT- HerbalChoice000077- DOT-HerbalChoice000085	HERBAL CHOICE INC., Attachment A			
437	DOT-JustQuality000004- DOT-JustQuality000007	JUST QUALITY, LLC, Attachment A			
438	DOT-Libra000006-DOT- Libra000010	LIBRA WELLNESS CENTER, LLC, Attachment A			
439	DOT-MMOF000007- DOT-MMOF000012	MMOF VEGAS RETAIL, INC., Attachment A			
440	DOT-NevCann000003- DOT-NevCann000017	NEVCANN LLC, Attachment A			
441	DOT-RedEarth000008- DOT-RedEarth000014	RED EARTH LLC, Attachment A			
`2	DOT-Rombough000009- DOT-Rombough000018	ROMBOUGH REAL ESTATE INC. dba MOTHER HERB, Attachment A and E			
443	DOT-THCNV000006- DOT-THCNV000017	THC NEVADA LLC, Attachment A			
444	DOT-Zion000006-DOT- Zion000012	ZION GARDENS LLC, Attachment A			
445		Plaintiffs' Key re Non-Identified Applications	8-14-19	NO	8-14-19
446	ETW000001-ETW000060	Email Correspondence with Department of Taxation re Application Question and Answers	6-20-19	NO	6-20 19

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WELLNESS LLC, dba The Dispensary, a

Nevada limited liability company

vs.

Defendant: STATE OF NEVADA ex rel. its **DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION: DOES 1** through 10; and ROE CORPORATIONS 1

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2001	2000-2169	Application Training – Day 1 – Sign In & Complete Icebreaker	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/19	WP
2002	2170-2233	Application Training – Train the Trainer	1		i	WA
2003	2234-2366	Application Training - Application & Score Sheet				WA
2004	2367-2389	Application Training – Application Practice				wir
2005	2390-2400	Application Criteria Points Breakdown				w
2006	2401-2444	Application Training - Sign In				wa
2007	2445-2483	Application Training - Sign In	† †	7		wa
2008	2484-2486	Executive Order Establishing a Task Force on the Implementation of Ballot Question 2: The Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act				WA
_009	2487-2647	Governor's Task Force on the Implementation of Question 2: The Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act – Final Report	5/24/19	STIP	5)24/19	Jwp

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2010	2648-2650	Retail Dispensaries in Clark County and Washoe County	5/24/19	STIP	5/24/29	u
2011	2651	Stores Outside Washoe and Clark Counties	1		,	Įμ
2012	2652-2656	Score Sheet – Adequacy of Size – Building Plans (Non-Identified)				w
2013	2657-2670	Score Sheet - Care, Quality Safekeeping (Non- Identified)				u
014	2671-2674	Score Sheet - Financial Resources (Identified)				] <sub>u</sub>
2015	2675-2678	Score Sheet – Likely Impact on the Community (Non-Identified)				]w
2016	2679-2684	Score Sheet Organizational Structure (Identified)				Īω
2017	2685-2688	Score Sheet – Taxes Beneficial Financial Contributions		(		u
2018	2689-2695	2018 Retail Marijuana Store Application Scores and Rankings	5/24/19	Srif	5/24/19	] (
2019	DOT-GBSNV 000008	ATTACHMENT A TO RECREATIONAL MARIOUANA ESTABLISHMENT APPLICATION		l	5-30-19	u
2020		BALLOT INITIATIVE	6-18-19		6-18-19	<u>.</u> v
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2022		EXAIL ARCHIVE	7-10-19	NO	7-10-19	V
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5002		2014 Application	1		(		1	100
5003		2018 Application	1			,		w
5004		Final Score Rankings by Jurisdiction	1					Į.,
5005		July 6, 2018 Notice of Intent to Accept Applications		<del>\</del>			<del> </del>	νe
5006		Entity Application Key		1	\-		1	้น
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5008	-	Non-Identified Tally Sheets			<del></del> }			ŭ.
5009		Procedure Scoring Review			/	1		ur,
5010		TGIG Secretary of State Information	+		<i></i>			wy
5011	DOT- TGIG08853- 8972	TGIG Organizational Structure Tab		-		1		UA)
5012	DOT- TGIG00089	Sept. 13, 2018 Letter from Dept. of Taxation to Amanda Connor re TGIG, LLC	•	4/19	STIP	5/2	4/19	W

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5013	DOT- TGIG08878	TGIG list of officers, owners, board members	5/24	1/19	891P	5/24/19	W
5014		New Cannabis Ventures Article "5 U.S. Cannabis Companies"	1	,	(	/	u
5015	,	New Cannabis Ventures Article "This Cannabis SPAC Expects Dramatic Growth"			)	7	W
5016	DOT-Livfree 01441-1469	Livfree Wellness, LLC Part I, Tab X			- (		u
5017		Article: "Carpincho Capital Completes Business Combination with MM Development Company"	5/2	4/19	STIP	5/24/19	ľ
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5015		New Carnabis Ventures Article "This Cannabis			
5016	DOT-Livfree 0/441-1469	SPAC Expects Dramatic Growth"  Livrree Wellness, LLC Part I, Tab X			
5017	01441-1409	Article: "Carpincho Capital Completes Business			
5018		Combination with MM Development Company"  Rating Criteria on Application Recommendations			
5019		Planet 13 Holdings Inc. Management Discussion and Analysis		. /	
5020		Planet 13 Holdings Inc. Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2018		/.	
5021		Planet 13 Corporate Presentation April 2019			
5022		Planet 13 Team			
5023		Department of Taxation Licensed Entity Owners/Officers/Board Members as of May 1, 2019			
5024		Dec. 29, 2016 Article "Las Vegas Pot Dispensary's Licerse Is Suspended" Las Vegas Sun			
5025		Nevada Organic Remedies Organizational Structure	6-10-19	NO	6-10-19
026		NOR Transfer of Interest Approval Letter	6-10-19		6-10-19
5027		NOR Ownership Approval Letter and Notice of Officer Letters	6-11-19		6-11-19
5028		Page from NOR Operating Agreement	6-11-19		6-11-19
5029		Serenity Wellness Center LLC Secretary of State Page	7-15-19	No.	
5030		Alternative Solutions LLC Secretary of State Page	7-15-19		ما ا
5031		CLS Holdings USA, Inc. Secretary of State Page	7-15-19	NO	7-15-19
5032 5033		Serenity Wellness Attachment A Serenity Wellness Organization Chart			
5034		Serenity Wellness Center Attachment C	7-15-19	NO_	7-15-19
5035	Serenity	Serenity Wellness Center Letter Sept. 13, 2018	1/1/1.0	6/2	71./194
5036	00005 ETW 00024-	ETW Listserv Email	7/1/19		7/1/191
5037	60 ETW 00059	ETW Attachment A	6-11-19		6-11-19
5038	DOT021838-	Organizational Structure (Identified) NOR	6-11-19		6-11-19
039	21840	MM Development Company, Inc. Secretary of State Listing	6-11-19	1	6-18-19
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5041	UPS Store Printout				
5042	Initiative to Regulate and Tax Marijuana – Filed April 23, 2014	6-20-19	NO	6-20-19	אבט ו
5043	Statewide Ballot Questions 2016	6-20-19	NO	6-20-19	ک اس
5044	Letter dated January 10, 2019 from Jorge Pupo to Will Kemp	6-20-19	No	6-20-19	9 6

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5049		GOVERNOR'S TROKE FORCE	_			     1 K ·
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5050		GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE				1
		MINUTES MARCH 31, 2017				
5051		ASSEMBLY BILL MINUTES				
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5052	ASS ENDLY BILL MINUTES		Vije cija	
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5050	HEATHER AZZI; SUPPLEMENT TO POCHET BRIFFIE: Meaning of Phrose			
5054	LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF			
	ADOPTED REGULATIONS			
5055	PLANET 13 HOLDINGS INC. MANAGER DISCUSSION + ANALYSIS OF THE FINM	CIAL		
	POSITIONA RESULTS OF OPERATIONS	7-15-19	NO_	7-15-19
5056	SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTRATION		087	
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	LETTER FROM MARK BRADLEY	1		
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	GB SCIENCES LETTER TO			
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5059	APPIDAVIT OF KATTY PETERSON	7-18-19	087	
7	2/7/18 ARTICLE IN MARYJUANA BUSIN	1	(sustained)	
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5063	HHWC 0001-0002	Memorandum of Understanding TGIG, LLC and Jameson Family (HHWC)	8-14-19	NO	8-14-191
5064	HHWC 0003-0006	TGIG, LLC Financial Projections	8-14-19	No_	8-14-19
5065	HHWC 0007-0012	Clark License LOI (REDACTED)	8-14-19	013	s-14-19 8-14-19 8-14-19
5066	HHWC 0013-0018	City License LOI (REDACTED)	8-14-19	OBJ	8-14-19
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Plaintiff: <u>SE</u> <u>LLC</u>	RENITY WELLNESS CENTER,	Recorder	:	JILL HAWKINS
		Counsel f	or Plair	ntiff:
	vs.			
	STATE OF NEVADA ENT OF TAXATION	Counsel f	or Defe	endant:
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# HEARING BEFORE THE COURT

#### COURT'S EXHIBITS

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1	COURT'S DISCLOSURE LE: FLOWERS RECEIVED			6-10-19
2	DENNIS PRINCE'S POWERPOINT FOR			8-16-19
3	DENNIS PRINCE'S POWERPOINT FOR  CLOSING ALGUMENT  ENAIL FROM MR. SHEVORSKI (Monde Order)			8-16-19
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		Court Clerks:	DULO	E LOMEA	
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	•	Counsel fo	or Plaintiff:		
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#### **DEMONSTRATIVE EXHIBITS**

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0-1	THUMB DRIVE!			5-28-19
2-2	SLIDE "FACTUAL STATEMENT"			5-31-19
D-3	MR. KEMP'S HYPOTHETICAL DRAWING		<del> </del>	6-10-19
0-4	SLIDES BY MR. CRISTALL			6-11-19
05	INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIMITED - LIABILITY COMPANY KRTICLES OF ORGANIZATION			6-11-19
D-6	NEVADA ORGANIC REMEDIES LLC ANNUAL LIST OF OFFICERS			6-11-19
0-7	GOOGLE MARS PHOTO			6-11-19
0-8	UPS STORE APPRESS			6-11-19
D-9	SLIDES USED BY MR. MILLER IN EXAMINATION OF JOKE PUPO			6-2019
D-10	REDLINE DRAFT VERSION OF 453A LE INTERES			6-20-19 7-12-19
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# EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY ON APPEAL TO NEVADA SUPREME COURT

MARGARET A. MCLETCHIE 701 E. BRIDGER AVE., SUITE 250 LAS VEGAS, NV 89101

DATE: September 23, 2019 CASE: A-19-786962-W

**RE CASE:** SERENITY WELLNESS CENTER, LLC; TGIG, LLC; NULEAF INCLINE DISPENSARY, LLC; NEVADA HOLISTIC MEDICINE, LLC; TRYKE COMPANIES SO NV, LLC; TRYKE COMPANIES RENO, LLC; GBS NEVADA PARTNERS, LLC; FIDELIS HOLDINGS, LLC; GRAVITAS NEVADA, LLC; NEVADA PURE, LLC; MEDIFARM, LLC; MEDIFARM IV, LLC vs. STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED: September 19, 2019

YOUR APPEAL HAS BEEN SENT TO THE SUPREME COURT.

#### PLEASE NOTE: DOCUMENTS **NOT** TRANSMITTED HAVE BEEN MARKED:

\$250 - Supreme Court Filing Fee (Make Check Payable to the Supreme Court)\*\*  $\boxtimes$ If the \$250 Supreme Court Filing Fee was not submitted along with the original Notice of Appeal, it must be mailed directly to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court Filing Fee will not be forwarded by this office if submitted after the Notice of Appeal has been filed. \$24 – District Court Filing Fee (Make Check Payable to the District Court)\*\* \$500 - Cost Bond on Appeal (Make Check Payable to the District Court)\*\*  $\boxtimes$ NRAP 7: Bond For Costs On Appeal in Civil Cases Case Appeal Statement NRAP 3 (a)(1), Form 2 Order П Notice of Entry of Order П

#### NEVADA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE 3 (a) (3) states:

"The district court clerk must file appellant's notice of appeal despite perceived deficiencies in the notice, including the failure to pay the district court or Supreme Court filing fee. The district court clerk shall apprise appellant of the deficiencies in writing, and shall transmit the notice of appeal to the Supreme Court in accordance with subdivision (e) of this Rule with a notation to the clerk of the Supreme Court setting forth the deficiencies. Despite any deficiencies in the notice of appeal, the clerk of the Supreme Court shall docket the appeal in accordance with Rule 12."

#### Please refer to Rule 3 for an explanation of any possible deficiencies.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Per District Court Administrative Order 2012-01, in regards to civil litigants, "...all Orders to Appear in Forma Pauperis expire one year from the date of issuance." You must reapply for in Forma Pauperis status.

# **Certification of Copy**

State of Nevada
County of Clark

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

DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S NOTICE OF APPEAL; DEFENDANT-INTERVENOR GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC'S CASE APPEAL STATEMENT; DISTRICT COURT DOCKET ENTRIES; CIVIL COVER SHEET; FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW GRANTING PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION; NOTICE OF ENTRY; AMENDED NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER; DISTRICT COURT MINUTES; EXHIBITS LIST; NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

SERENITY WELLNESS CENTER, LLC; TGIG, LLC; NULEAF INCLINE DISPENSARY, LLC; NEVADA HOLISTIC MEDICINE, LLC; TRYKE COMPANIES SO NV, LLC; TRYKE COMPANIES RENO, LLC; GBS NEVADA PARTNERS, LLC; FIDELIS HOLDINGS, LLC; GRAVITAS NEVADA, LLC; NEVADA PURE, LLC; MEDIFARM, LLC; MEDIFARM IV, LLC,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION,

Defendant(s),

GREENMART OF NEVADA NLV LLC,

Defendant-Intervenor.

now on file and of record in this office.

Case No: A-19-786962-W

Dept No: XI

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 23 day of September 2019.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk