IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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PAUL D.S. EDWARDS, Appellant(s),

VS.

TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS,LLC, A/D/B/A TLC RESORT LIQUIDATORS, A/D/B/A TLC RESORTS, A/D/B/A TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, A/D/B/A TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, LLC, A/D/B/A TLC TRAVEL, A/D/B/A TLCRESORTS.COM, A/D/B/A VIP TRAVEL, A/D/B/A VIP VACATIONS; CASH4ASKING, LLC, A/D/B/A CASH4ASKING.COM; STANLEY C. MUULLIS, A/K/A STANLEY MULLIS A/K/A STAN MULLIS; ANGEL MULLIS, A/K/A ANGEL C. MULLIS; EDUARDO ROMAY HERNANDEZ, A/K/A EDUARDO L. ROMAYHERNANDEZ, A/K/A EDUARDO ROMARY, A/K/A EDUARDO L. ROMAY HERNANDEZ. A/K/A HERNANDEZ EDUARDO ROMAY, A/K/A HERNANDEZ EDUARDO L. ROMAY, A/K/A EDUARDO ROMAY, A/K/A EDUARDO L. ROMAY; AND GLADYS C. RIONDA, A/K/A SUITO GLADYS RIONDA, A/K/A GLADYS C. RIONDA-SUITO, A/K/A GLADYS SUITO, A/K/A GLADYS RIONDA SUITO,

Respondent(s),

Case No: A-19-799140-C *Consolidated with A-18-776375-C*

Docket No: 81759

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76. This Declaration is filed in good faith and not interposed for delay. "I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct." EXECUTED this 28th day of October 2019. Respectfully submitted, PAUL D.S. EDWARDS /s/ Paul D.S. Edwards Paul D.S. Edwards 713 Wheat Ridge Lane, Unit 203 Las Vegas, Nevada 89145
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CERTIFICATE OF E-SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on the 28th day of October 2019, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules (NEFCR) & N.R.C.P., Rule 5(b)(4), I e-served a true and correct copy of the following document:

1. Declaration of Plaintiff Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada

to the following:

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Pursuant to NRS 1.235, Plaintiff also caused a copy of this "Declaration of Plaintiff Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada," to be hand delivered to Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada.



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10	Plaintiff hereby submits this Notice of Errata regarding Plaintiff's "Declaration of Plaintiff"
11	Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy
12	L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada"
13	("Declaration").
14	Exhibit 1, as referenced within the Declaration, was inadvertently omitted due to a computer
15	error. Please attach Exhibit 1 to the Declaration.
16	DATED this 28th day of October 2019.
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1. Notice of Errata

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EXHIBIT 1

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The right of a voluntary dismissal is absolute— as long as it is filed before service of an answer or motion for summary judgment. NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i). A voluntary dismissal can occur even after significant activity has already taken place in the action, such as a motion to compel arbitration, a Rule 12 motion to dismiss (even with the court announcing its intended ruling), or a full evidentiary hearing and ruling on a motion for preliminary injunction. See *Miller v. Reddin*, 422 F.2d 1264, 1266 (9th Cir. 1970) (Rule 12 motion); *Hamilton v. Shearson Lehman American Express, Inc.*, 813 F.2d 1532, 1534–35 (9th Cir. 1987) (motion to compel arbitration); *American Soccer Co., Inc.* v. Score First Enters., 187 F.3d 1108, 1110–12 (9th Cir. 1999).

In the instant matter, Plaintiff, by order of this Court, filed his First Amended Complaint For Damages, Injunctive Relief, and, Demand for Trial by Jury on April 17, 2019 ("First Amended Complaint"). Defendants responded with a Motion to Strike for Plaintiff's Refusal to Comply with the Court's Order Granting Defendant's Motion for More Definite Statement ("Motion"). A decision by the Court is pending on Defendants Motion.

Nevertheless, as of the filing and service of Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal (July 12, 2019), Defendants have not Answered to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint. Nor have Defendants filed a motion for summary judgment, and no Counterclaim, Crossclaim, or Third-Party Claim has been filed in this action.

Pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(C), Plaintiff will reimburse Defendants' filing fees— Defendants counsel advised Plaintiff that the filing fees amount to \$373.00.1

DATED this 12th day of July 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

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¹Rule 41(a)(1)(i) references only payment of the defendant's filing fees when filing a notice of dismissal; it says nothing about payment of other costs or attorney's fees.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on the 16th day of July 2019, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules (NEFCR) & N.R.C.P., Rule 5(b)(4), I e-filed and e-served a true and correct copy of the following document, Plaintiff's:

1. Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, Pursuant to Nevada Rules of Civil Procedures, Rule 41(a)

to the following:

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DEFENDANT CASH4ASKING, LLC'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR <u>A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT</u>

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and DOES I-X, and ROE CORPORATIONS XI-XX, et al.,

Defendants.

Defendant Cash4Asking, LLC ("C4A"), by and through its attorneys of record, the law firm of Marquis Aurbach Coffing, hereby files its Reply in Support of Motion for a More Definite Statement. This Reply is made and based upon the pleadings and papers on file herein, the attached memorandum of points and authorities, and any oral argument the Court permits at the time of hearing on the matter.

Dated this 2 day of October, 2019.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Plaintiff Paul Edwards' ("Mr. Edwards") Complaint is majorly deficient in at least four (4) major ways, and Mr. Edwards has refused to provide any meaningful response to C4A's motion that set forth these four (4) deficiencies. As such, C4A is entitled to a more definite statement under NRCP 12(e).

First, Mr. Edwards has provided no substantive response to C4A's Motion for More Definite Statement. See Opp'n to Def. Cash4Asking, LLC's Mot. for a More Definite Statement ("Pl.'s Resp."), on file herein. In its original motion, C4A listed four (4) specific deficiencies with the Complaint. See Def. Cash4Asking, LLC's Motion for a More Definite Statement ("Def.'s 12(e) Mo."), on file herein, at 3-4.

C4A specifically stated: (1) the Complaint consistently lumps all of the defendants together, making it impossible to decipher exactly who Mr. Edwards is claiming did what; (2) the Complaint contains quotations, citations, and references to various statutes and legal authorities outside the claim of relief section, making it unreasonably difficult to determine whether Mr. Edwards cites these as context or alleging a violation of these certain statutory provisions; (3) the Complaint contains imprecise citations to statutory sections in its claims for relief, making it unreasonably difficult to evaluate precisely what subsections or sections Mr. Edwards is claiming defendants violated; and (4) the Complaint contains verbose, repetitive, conclusory, and confusing allegations that make it unreasonably difficult to respond to. Def.'s 12(e) Mo. at 3-4.

Here, Mr. Edwards failed to address any of the deficiencies raised in C4A's motion. See Pl.'s Resp. at 16-17. Instead, Mr. Edwards's responses to the deficiencies were: that Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito "understand precisely what is being alleged" (Pl.'s Resp. at 16); that it is "irrefutable" that Mr. Hernandez and Suito comprehend the Complaint (id. at 17); and that Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito "understand[] the gravamen of Mr. Edwards's Complaint" (id. at 18). (emphasis added).

The only substantive argument Mr. Edwards made in its response was that C4A understood enough of the allegations in the Complaint to make NRCP 12(b)(2) and 12(b)(5)

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motions. Pl.'s Resp. at 16-19. However, C4A only needed the caption of the Complaint to know that this court lacked personal jurisdiction over certain parties; and that the same were not liable as members of C4A. Similarly, both the NRCP 12(b)(2) and 12(b)(5) motions were pre-answer motions that "must be asserted in the responsive pleading if one is required." NRCP 12(b). As a consequence, the parties had no choice but to bring these pre-answer motions before responding to Mr. Edwards's complaint.

Since the Complaint is majorly deficient in at least four (4) ways (as set forth above), and Mr. Edwards has refused provide any meaningful response to these four (4) deficiencies, C4A is entitled to a more definite statement under NRCP 12(e).

Dated this 20 day of October, 2019.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing **DEFENDANT CASH4ASKING, LLC'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT** was submitted electronically for filing and/or service with the Eighth Judicial District Court on the day of October, 2019. Electronic service of the foregoing document shall be made in accordance with the E-Service List as follows:¹

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I further certify that I served a copy of this document by mailing a true and correct copy thereof, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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DEFENDANTS EDUARDO ROMAY HERNANDEZ' AND GLADYS RIONDA SUITO'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO DISMISS FOR LACK OF PERSONAL JURISDICTION, MOTION TO DISMISS FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM UPON WHICH RELIEF C BE GRANTED, AND MOTION FOR A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT

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and DOES I-X, and ROE CORPORATIONS XI-XX, et al.,

Defendants.

Defendants Eduardo Romay Hernandez ("Mr. Hernandez") and Gladys Rionda Suito ("Mrs. Suito"), by and through their attorneys of record, the law firm of Marquis Aurbach Coffing, hereby file their Reply in Support of Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction, Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim Upon Which Relief Can Be Granted, and Motion for a More Definite Statement ("Reply"). This Reply is made and based upon the pleadings and papers on file herein, the attached memorandum of points and authorities, and any oral argument the Court permits at the time of hearing on the matter.

Dated this day of October, 2019.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito, who are nonresident defendants, are not personally subject to jurisdiction in Nevada, and Plaintiff Paul Edwards ("Mr. Edwards"), has not proven that they are. As a result, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito should be dismissed from this case under NRCP 12(b)(2). Even if they are subject to this Court's jurisdiction, they should be dismissed under NRCP 12(b)(5) for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito cannot be held individually liable for the debts, obligations, or liabilities of Defendant Cash4Asking, LLC ("C4A") under Arizona law or the Telephone Consumer Protection Act. In any event, at a minimum, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito are entitled to a more definite statement so that they can reasonably prepare a response to the Complaint.

II. <u>LEGAL ARGUMENT</u>

A. MR. HERNANDEZ AND MRS. SUITO ARE NOT SUBJECT TO PERSONAL JURISDICTION IN NEVADA.

"When a challenge to personal jurisdiction is made, the plaintiff has the burden of introducing competent evidence of essential facts which establish a prima facie showing that personal jurisdiction exists." *Trump v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 109 Nev. 687, 692, 857 P.2d 740, 743 (1993) (internal quotations omitted). "The plaintiff must produce some evidence in support of all facts necessary for a finding of personal jurisdiction, and the burden of proof never shifts to the party challenging jurisdiction." *Id.* at 692, 857 P.2d at 744.

A non-resident defendant must have sufficient minimum contacts with the forum state so that subjecting the defendant to the state's jurisdiction will not offend traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice. *Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 131 Nev. 30, 35–36, 342 P.3d 997, 1001-02 (2015) (internal quotation marks and citation omitted). Due process requirements are satisfied if the nonresident defendant's minimum contacts are sufficient to obtain either (1) general jurisdiction, or (2) specific personal jurisdiction and it is reasonable to subject the nonresident defendant to suit in the forum state. *Id*.

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1001 Park Run Drive Las Vegas, Nevada 89145 (702) 382-0711 FAX: (702) 382-5816 Here, both Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito are residents of Arizona. See Affidavits of Service, on file herein. Plaintiff has failed to come forward with any evidence showing that personal jurisdiction over Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito exists. See Opp'n to Def. Eduardo Romay Hernandez' and Gladys Rionda Suito's Mot. to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction, Mot. to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim Upon Which Relief Can Be Granted, and Mot. For a More Definite Statement ("Pl.'s Resp."), on file herein. For this reason, this Court may not exercise either general or specific personal jurisdiction over Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito, and they should be dismissed pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(2).

1. Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito lack any general jurisdictional contact with Nevada.

First, the only evidence Mr. Edwards provides in support of general jurisdiction is a "Marketing Services Agreement" (the "Agreement") between C4A and TLC. Pl.'s Resp. at 5. A plain reading of the Agreement, however, reveals the opposite. *Id*.

General personal jurisdiction is proper when the nonresident defendant's "contacts with the forum state are so continuous and systematic as to render [the defendant] essentially at home in the forum State." *Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP*, 131 Nev. 30 at 35-36, 342 P.3d at 1001-02 (internal quotation marks and citation omitted). Here, Mr. Edwards claims the Agreement made between C4A and TLC is evidence that Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito had general contact with Nevada. Pl.'s Resp. at 7. The Agreement was signed, however, by the "duly authorized officers" of C4A and TLC. Pl.'s Ex. 6 attached to Pl.'s Compl. on file herein ("Pl.'s Ex. 6"), at 5. The Agreement does not mention Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito in any way, nor does it provide for any direct payment to Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito. See *id*. Thus, the Agreement was made between C4A and TLC; not Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito. Consequently, the Agreement provides no basis for general jurisdiction over Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito.

In addition, Mr. Edwards claims that the Agreement would pay Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito "tens-of-thousands of dollars" to personally place "thousands" of calls to Nevadans. Pl.'s Resp. at 7. But again, there is no indication in the Agreement that Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito would personally profit from the Agreement. The Agreement reveals that Mr. Hernandez and

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10001 Park Run Drive Las Vegas, Nevada 89145 (702) 382-0711 FAX: (702) 382-5816 Mrs. Suito were not entitled to a penny under the Agreement. *Id.* To be sure, the only persons allegedly entitled to any benefit under the Agreement were C4A and TLC. *Id.*

Finally, Mr. Edwards claims that a choice of forum clause in section 8 of the Agreement grants this Court general jurisdiction over Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito. Pl.'s Resp. at 6; see also Pl.'s Ex. 6 at 4. But again, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito were not parties to the Agreement, but the Agreement was solely between TLC and C4A. See Pl.'s Ex. 6. To be sure, the Agreement itself applied only to "litigation arising under this Agreement," not incidental litigation arising from a third-party. Pl.'s Ex. 6 at 4. Mr. Edwards is not a named party or even an incidental beneficiary to the Agreement, and consequently lacks standing to enforce any term arising under the Agreement between C4A and TLC. In the same vein, the Agreement cannot be enforced against Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito because they were also not parties to the Agreement. It would therefore defy logic to bind Mr. Hernandez, Mrs. Suito, or this litigation to a discrete term of an Agreement that is not even in dispute.

But even if, *arguendo*, Mr. Hernandez, Mrs. Suito, and Mr. Edwards were parties to the Agreement (which they were not); Nevada courts only enforce choice of forum clause if the traditional requirements for personal jurisdiction under Due Process Clause of the fourteenth Amendment can be met. *Tandy Computer Leasing, a Div. of Tandy Elecs., Inc. v. Terina's Pizza, Inc.*, 105 Nev. 841, 843, 784 P.2d 7, 7 (1989). Since Mr. Edwards has failed to meet its burden under the requirements for personal jurisdiction, the choice of forum clause would be unenforceable regardless.

Therefore, the Agreement is insufficient evidence that Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito are subject to general jurisdiction in Nevada.

2. Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito lack any specific contacts with Nevada.

Next, Mr. Edwards has failed to provide any evidence to support its claim that Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito had specific contacts with Nevada. "[S]pecific personal jurisdiction is proper only where the cause of action arises from the defendant's contacts with the forum." Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP, 131 Nev. 30 at 37, 342 P.3d at 1002 (internal quotation marks

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10001 Park Run Drive Las Vegas, Nevada 89145 (702) 382-0711 FAX: (702) 382-5816 omitted). To make a prima facie showing of specific personal jurisdiction, a Mr. Edwards must demonstrate that the nonresident defendant: (1) purposefully availed itself of the forum, (2) its activities or consequences thereof must be the basis of the cause of action, and (3) "those activities, or consequence thereof, must have a substantial enough connection with the forum state to make the exercise of jurisdiction over the defendant reasonable." *Id.* at 38, 342 P.3d at 1002 (quoting *Consipio Holding, BV v. Carlberg*, 128 Nev. 454, 458, 282 P.3d 751, 755 (2012)).

Here again, the only evidence Mr. Edwards has produced in support of specific personal jurisdiction is the Agreement. Pl.'s Resp. at 8. Specifically, Mr. Edwards claims the Agreement required Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito to make direct telephone calls to Nevada thereby "harvesting a large income." *Id.* However, Mr. Edwards fails to cite any specific term or provision of the Agreement that requires anything such thing of Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito. *Id.* Indeed, this is because no provision or term in the Agreement exists. *See generally* Pl.'s Ex. 6.

As discussed at length above, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito were never parties to the Agreement. *Id.* Mr. Edwards has provided no evidence to support its claim that Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito "purposefully directed their activities toward [Nevada]." Pl.'s Resp. at 8. Mr. Edwards relies wholly on the Agreement, which required nothing of Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito, nor did it personally require they make phone calls to Nevada. *See* Pl.'s Ex. 6. As a result, Mr. Edwards failed to come forward with any actual evidence showing any specific contact made by Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito with Nevada.

Since Mr. Edwards has failed to produce any actual evidence supporting general or specific jurisdiction with Nevada, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito should be dismissed for lack of personal jurisdiction pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(2).

3. Personal jurisdiction in Nevada is governed by due process and NRS 14.065, not the TCPA.

Finally, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, 47 USC § 227 et seq ("TCPA"), does not prevent this Court from dismissing Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito for lack of personal jurisdiction.

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In his brief, Mr. Edwards claims that the TCPA vests this Court with jurisdictional authority over nonresident defendants. Pl.'s Resp. at 9. But as this Court is well-aware, the only determinative law regarding personal jurisdiction is Nevada's long-arm statute, NRS 14.065, and the Fourteenth Amendment's Due Process Clause. Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP, 131 Nev. at 36, 342 P.3d at 1001; see also, Int'l Shoe Co. v. Washington, 326 U.S. 310 (1945).

Not a single case cited by Mr. Edwards held the TCPA to circumvent the traditional due process analysis associated with personal jurisdiction; nor did any case hold the TCPA to preempt NRS 14.065. See Pl.'s Resp. at 9-10. Instead, the cases that Mr. Edwards refers to in his brief pertain to liability under the TCPA—not personal jurisdiction. Id. citing Texas v. Am. Blastfax, 164 F.Supp.2d 892, 898 (W.D. Tex. 2001) (applying a "personal participation theory" for limited causes of actions against corporate officers who directly participate in conduct constituting TCPA violations); see also, Maryland v. Universal Elections, 787 F.Supp. 2d 408 (D. Md. 2011).

In sum, Mr. Edwards's interpretation of the TCPA is devoid of legal merit because the TCPA does not grant jurisdictional authority over nonresident defendants. As such, the TCPA does not prevent this Court from dismissing Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito for lack of personal jurisdiction under NRCP 12(b)(c).

B. MR. HERNANDEZ AND MRS. SUITO SHOULD BE DISMISSED BECAUSE THE COMPLAINT FAILS TO STATE A CLAIM AGAINST THEM FOR WHICH RELIEF CAN BE GRANTED.

In the event this Court does not dismiss Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito for lack of personal jurisdiction, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito should be dismissed under NRCP 12(b)(5) for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

A complaint should be dismissed for failure to state a claim if it appears beyond a doubt that the plaintiff could prove no set of facts which, if true, would entitle plaintiff to relief. Buzz Stew, LLC v. City of N. Las Vegas, 124 Nev. 224, 181 P.3d 670 (2008) citing NRCP 12(b)(5). Here, even construing all facts in Mr. Edwards's favor, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito cannot be held liable for the debts, obligations or liabilities of C4A because it is an Arizona limited liability

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company. Compl., on file herein at ¶ 40. If C4A was a Nevada limited liability company the result would be the same.2

1. Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito cannot be held liable as officers of C4A.

First, it is well settled under Arizona law that an officer, director or shareholder of a corporation may not be held liable for the acts of the corporation unless the corporation is an alter-ego. Rhoads v. Harvey Publications, Inc., 124 Ariz. 406, 409, 604 P.2d 670, 673 (Ct. App. 1979) citing Maloof v. Roper Sales, Inc., 113 Ariz. 485, 488, 557 P.2d 522, 525 (1976). Indeed, Arizona courts recognize that a central purpose of corporate organization is to avoid personal liability; and if corporate fiction is too easily ignored then organization becomes pointless. Dietel v. Day, 16 Ariz. App. 206, 492 P.2d 455 (1972).

Here, Mr. Edwards has alleged that C4A is an Arizona limited liability company (Compl., at ¶ 40), and that both Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito are members, managers, officers, and agents of C4A. Compl. at ¶¶ 122, 134. In its brief, Mr. Edwards asks this Court to disregard C4A's limited liability company form. Pl.'s Resp. at 10. To do so would undermine the purpose of C4A's limited liability company form, abrogate Arizona law, and result in gross injustice.

Since Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito cannot be individually liable for the debts, obligations, or liabilities of C4A under Arizona law, the Complaint fails to state a claim against

Except as provided in this chapter, a member, manager, employee, officer or agent of a limited liability company is not liable, solely by reason of being a member, manager, employee, officer or agent, for the debts, obligations and liabilities of the limited liability company whether arising in contract or tort, under a judgment, decree or order of a court or otherwise.

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¹ A.R.S. § 29-251 states:

² NRS 86.371 ("Unless otherwise provided in the articles of organization or an agreement signed by the member or manager to be charged, no member or manager of any limited-liability company formed under the laws of this State is individually liable for the debts or liabilities of the company.").

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them upon which relief can be granted. Accordingly, the Court should dismiss them from the case with prejudice.

2. The TCPA is silent on the issue of officer liability, and is therefore inapplicable to Defendant's NRCP 12(b)(5) motion.

Finally, the TCPA is silent regarding the issue of officer liability and therefore has no application to the issue of whether Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito can be held personally liable in this case. See 47 USC § 227 et seq. In its brief, Mr. Edwards claims that the language of the TCPA provides an avenue for personal liability against corporate officers. Pl.'s Resp. at 10-16., Mr. Edwards does not provide any portion of the TCPA language to support is argument, however, nor does Mr. Edwards provide any authoritative case or decision that interprets the TCPA in this way. Id.

No court in the Ninth Circuit or Nevada has adopted Mr. Edwards's tortured interpretation of the TCPA. The only potentially authoritative case interpreting the TCPA regarding officer liability is out the Third Circuit Court of Appeals. See e.g. City Select Auto Sales Inc. v. David Randall Assocs., Inc. from. 885 F.3d 154 (3d Cir. 2018). 3 In City Select Auto Sales Inc., the Third Circuit (in stark contrast to the Mr. Edwards's position) held that the TCPA is silent on the issue of officer liability. Id. The court reasoned that if Congress intended to waive the protections of corporate liability then it would have expressly done so in the language of the TCPA itself—just as Congress has done in other federal laws. Id. (citing corporate antitrust violations under 15 USC § 24 as an example).

Here, Mr. Edwards's claim that the TCPA waives the corporate shield is without legal merit. The TCPA is silent on the matter and does not support any viable claim against Mr.

The persuasive authorities Mr. Edwards cites in its brief all required a direct commission or authorization of wrongful acts by the corporate officer before considering officer liability under the TCPA. See e.g. Texas v. Am. Belfast, Inc. 164 F.Supp. 2d. 892, 898 (W.D. Tex. 2001). Mr. Edwards conveniently ignores equally persuasive authority that declined to adopt Am. Belfast, Inc.'s tortured interpretation of the TCPA. See e.g. Mais v. Gulf Coast Collection Bureau, Inc., No. 11-61936-CIV-SCOLA, 2013 WL 1283885, at *3 n.1 (S.D. Fla. Mar. 27, 2013). Even if these cases were pursuasive on this Court, Mr. Edwards failed to allege any specific instances where Mr. Hernandez or Mrs. Suito made a direct commission or authorization to violate the TCPA. See Compl. Thus, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito should still be dismissed with prejudice under NRCP 12(b)(6).

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Hernandez and Mrs. Suito personally. For this reason, Mr. Edwards's claims against Hernandez and Mrs. Suito should be dismissed with prejudice pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5).

C. MR. HERNANDEZ AND MRS. SUITO ARE ENTITLED TO A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT.

For the sake of judicial economy, Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito hereby incorporate by this reference the legal authorities and arguments set forth in C4A's reply in support of its motion for a more definite statement.

CONCLUSION III.

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Mr. Hernandez and Mrs. Suito should be dismissed for lack of personal jurisdiction per NRCP 12(b)(2), for failure to state a claim against them upon which relief can be granted per NRCP 12(b)(5), and are entitled to a more definite statement per NRCP 12(e) so that they can reasonably prepare a response to the Complaint.

day of October, 2019.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing DEFENDANTS EDUARDO ROMAY HERNANDEZ' AND GLADYS RIONDA SUITO'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO DISMISS FOR LACK OF PERSONAL JURISDICTION, MOTION TO DISMISS FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM UPON WHICH RELIEF CAN BE GRANTED, AND MOTION FOR A MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT was submitted electronically for filing and/or service with the Eighth Judicial District Court on the Cay of October, 2019. Electronic service of the foregoing document shall be made in accordance with the E-Service List as follows:⁴

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TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC, et **DEPARTMENT 27** al,

DECLARATION OF THE HONORABLE NANCY L. ALLF IN RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF THE RECUSAL/DISQUALIFICATION OF JUDGE NANCY L. ALLF

COUNTY OF CLARK

PAUL D.S. EDWARDS,

VS.

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

STATE OF NEVADA

The Honorable Nancy L. Allf affirms under penalty of perjury as follows:

- 1. Affiant makes this declaration of facts and opinions personally known by her. When made upon information and belief, she so states.
- 2. Affiant holds Nevada bar number 000128, and was admitted to the practice of law in 1983. She practiced law continuously until January 1, 2011. On or about that date, she was sworn in as a District Court Judge presiding in Department XXVII, with an all civil docket.
- 3. On or about October 31, 2018, Affiant was assigned Case No. A-18-776375-C. The Complaint was filed by Pro Se Plaintiff Paul D.S. Edwards on June 19, 2018. Defendant's Answer to the Complaint was filed on February 6, 2019.

- 4. On December 5, 2018, Affiant heard, and ultimately granted, Defendant's Motion to Dismiss. Affiant dismissed certain causes of actions with prejudice under Nevada law, while other causes of actions were dismissed with leave to amend.
- Shortly thereafter, on April 17, 2019, Pro Se Plaintiff Edwards filed his First Amended Complaint.
- 6. Edwards subsequently filed a Second Amended Complaint on June 5, 2019, without seeking leave from the Court. Edwards ultimately filed a Motion of Withdrawal of Second Amended Complaint on June 20, 2019.
- 7. Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement, and Motion to Strike [First Amended Complaint] was filed on May 1, 2019 and came for hearing before the Honorable Michael Cherry—presiding as a Senior Judge—on June 19, 2019. Justice Cherry took the matter under advisement. An Order dated August 27, 2019 was issued by Affiant granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss the Second Amended Complaint in its entirety.
- 8. On June 20, 2019—less than 24 hours following the June 19, 2019 hearing—Plaintiff filed a Motion for Leave seeking to file a Second Amended Complaint. Affiant denied Plaintiff's Motion in her Order dated August 27, 2019.
- 9. On July 16, 2019, Plaintiff filed a Voluntary Dismissal of the instant action, which was then stricken in accordance with Affiant's Order dated August 6, 2019 because the Defendants have filed and served an answer in the case. Affiant found that the filing of an answer prohibits the voluntary dismissal of Plaintiff's actions without a Court order under NRCP 41(a)(2).

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- 10. On September 17, 2019, Defendants' Motion to Consolidate Cases with Plaintiff's second lawsuit in Case No. A-19-799140-C was filed. The matter came on for hearing on October 16, 2019. The Plaintiff did not oppose the Motion to Consolidate. Affiant granted Defendant's Motion to Consolidate because there were common questions of law and fact between both cases that should be adjudicated together in the interest of judicial efficiency under NRCP 42(a).
- 11. On October 29, 2019, Affiant learned of Plaintiff's Declaration in Support of Disqualification after reviewing the Court's Daily Filings Reports. Affiant has not, however, been served with the declaration.
- 12. On October 29, 2019 Affiant informed the Chief Judge that she would not proceed further with the matter until the disqualification matter was determined.
- 13. Affiant has reviewed the Declaration to Disqualify and she makes this declaration in response to, and in opposition to the Declaration to Disqualify.
- 14. As a judge, Affiant has "a duty to preside . . . in the absence of some statute, rule of court, ethical standard, or other compelling reason to the contrary." *Goldman v. Bryan*, 104 Nev. 644. 649 (1988).
- 15. A motion to disqualify made pursuant to the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct can only be made if new grounds for a judge's disqualification are discovered and "must set forth facts and reasons sufficient to cause a reasonable person to question the judge's impartiality." Towbin Dodge, LLC v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court of State ex rel. County of Clark, 121 Nev. 251, 260 (2005).
- 16. "[D]isqualification must be factually necessary and not based on mere speculation."

 People for Ethical Treatment of Animals, 111 Nev. at 437.

- 17. The inquiry is an objective one and "limited to outward manifestations and reasonable inferences drawn therefrom." *Id*.
- 18. "The motion's allegations are not deemed to be true and may be controverted by the challenged judge." *Towbin Dodge*, 121 Nev. at 260.
- 19. Affiant has followed the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure and Nevada law in rendering all of her decisions in the instant action.
- 20. Plaintiff supports his declaration in support of disqualification on the grounds that Affiant (1) has "expressed bias" against Plaintiff; and (2) failed to follow NRCP 41(a).
- 21. Affiant responds/answers as follows:
- 22. Affiant denies that she has "expressed bias against Plaintiff." As a judge, Affiant has a responsibility to decide matters assigned to her, except when disqualification is required by the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct (NCJC) 2.11 or other law. NCJC 2.7. Moreover, as a judge, Affiant performs all duties of judicial office fairly and impartially, without bias or prejudice. NCJC 2.2 and 2.3.
- 23. Affiant denies that her Orders were signed by her Law Clerk. All of Affiant's Orders are either signed by herself or by another District Court Judge. Affiant's Law Clerk only initials orders following his review as to form.
- 24. Affiant denies that her Orders are "fugitive." All of the Orders in this action set forth supra are a result of Affiant's rulings on several pleadings filed by the parties, which all necessitated a ruling by the Court.
- 25. Affiant denies that she failed to follow NRCP 41(a)(1). Affiant finds that the filing of an answer prohibits the voluntary dismissal of Plaintiff's actions without a Court order under NRCP 41(a)(2).

- 26. Affiant denies that her decision in consolidating the two actions involving the Plaintiff was "illegal." As noted supra, Affiant granted Defendant's unopposed Motion to Consolidate because there were common questions of law and fact between both cases that should be adjudicated together in the interest of judicial efficiency under NRCP 42(a).
- 27. Affiant recognizes the right of all parties to file Motions to Disqualify, and asserts that the filing of the instant matter will not affect her rulings or impartiality in this case, or any other. Affiant files this response in good faith and has no bias or prejudice against or for any party in this action. Affiant has no implied bias either, such as an interest in the action.
- 28. In this matter, as in all matters, Affiant has and will continue to uphold and promote the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 29th day of October, 2019

District Court Judge

NANCY L. ALLF DISTRICT JUDGE DEPT XXVII LAS VEGAS, NV 89155

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Counter-Defendant.

Upon review of Defendants¹ "Opposition to Motion for this Court to Take Judicial Notice That District Court Judge Nancy L. Allf is Without Jurisdiction to Consolidate the Closed Case No. A-18-776375-C With The Case Before this Court Case No. A-19-799140-C" ("Opposition"),

Plaintiff finds Defendants assertion that—

The Court's prior orders, however, and indeed even the Nevada Supreme Court's order dismissing Mr. Edwards' appeal, appear to recognize that an answer had been filed, negating the voluntary dismissal, and that this Court had not adjudicated all claims against all parties in the 2018. Thus, the 2018 case was not voluntarily dismissed or otherwise adjudicated in full, and indeed it remained live and active. Opposition, Pge. 3 of 5, ¶¶ 12-17—

not just inaccurate, but, as presented, appears to be intentionally disguised from the facts.

Admitting that Plaintiff has appealed Case No. A-18-776375-C, the Nevada Supreme Court dismissing Plaintiff's appeal is absent any association with Plaintiff's [Court Approved] Voluntary Dismissal. The *irrefutable fact* is that the Order Dismissing Plaintiff's Appeal is [totally] void of any reference, mention, indication, or comment to Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal. Plaintiff's appeal was dismissed on other grounds, hence, the Court stated it lacked jurisdiction. More importantly, no Remittitur has yet been issued by the Supreme Court, pertaining to Plaintiff's appeal No. 79545.

¹CASH4ASKING, LLC, a/d/b/a CASH4ASKING.COM ("C4A"), and EDUARDO ROMAY HERNANDEZ, a/k/a EDUARDO L ROMAYHERNANDEZ, a/k/a EDUARDO ROMAY, a/k/a EDUARDO L. ROMAY HERNANDEZ, a/k/a HERNANDEZ EDUARDO ROMAY, a/k/a HERNANDEZ EDUARDO L ROMAY, a/k/a EDUARDO ROMAY, a/k/a MR EDUARDO L. ROMAY ("ROMAY"), and GLADYS C. RIONDA, a/k/a SUITO GLADYS RIONDA, a/k/a GLADYS C. RIONDA-SUITO, a/k/a GLADYS SUITO, a/k/a GLADYS RIONDA SUITO's

("SUITO") (collectively "Defendants").

I. <u>Jurisdiction Has Not Been Re-Vested to the District Court Associated With Case No. A-18-776375-C, Because No Remittitur Has Been Issued:</u>

Subsequent to the Order Dismissing Appeal having issued, Plaintiff filed, with the Nevada Supreme Court, a Petition for Rehearing. That Petition is currently under consideration.

Rather than misleading this Court, as Defendants are attempting to do, the first [indisputable] fact, associated with Plaintiff's appeal No. 79545, is that the Nevada Supreme Court has not yet issued a Remittitur pertaining to Plaintiff's appeal. Consequently, jurisdiction remains with the Nevada Supreme Court until such time the Court issues a Remittitur.

Accordingly, the District Court will [only] regain jurisdiction over Case No. A-18-776375-C when a Remittitur issues pertaining to appeal No. 79545.

Remittitur is the process by which the appellate court terminates its jurisdiction over an appeal, or Rehearing and en banc reconsideration. If a timely petition for rehearing, or reconsideration en banc is filed, the remittitur is automatically stayed, and no motion to stay remittitur is required. NRAP 41(b)(1). See *Branch Banking & Tr. Co. v. Gerrard, Esq.*, 134 Nev. Adv. Op. 106 (Dec. 27, 2018)(In Nevada, an appeal concludes and appellate jurisdiction ends upon issuance of the remittitur from this court to the district court. See NRAP 41(a)).

In Phillip Emerson v. the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada, 263 P.3d 224 (Nev. 10/06/2011) the Nevada Supreme Court held that the district court only retains jurisdiction to collateral matters that do not affect the merits of [the appellant's] appeal, after an appeal is filed. (emphasis added).

Also see *Mack-Manley v. Manley*, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529 (2006) (A timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction to revisit matters pending on appeal, but, the district court retains jurisdiction over "matters collateral to and independent from the appealed order.")(Once a notice of appeal is timely and properly filed, the district court is divested of jurisdiction to enter further orders granting relief on the same subject matter. *Mack-Manley v. Manley*, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529-30 (2006)); *Kantor v. Kantor*, 116 Nev. 886, 894-95, 8 P.3d 825, 830 (2000) (holding that, although a timely notice of appeal divests the district court of

jurisdiction and vests jurisdiction in this court, the district court had jurisdiction to award attorney fees while an appeal of the underlying divorce decree was pending because the "collateral matter did not affect the merits of [the appellant's] appeal"); *Dickerson v. State*, 114 Nev. 1084, 1087, 967 P.2d 1132, 1134 (1998) ("The purpose of a remittitur, aside from returning the record on appeal to the district court, is twofold: it divests this court of jurisdiction over the appeal and returns jurisdiction to the district court, and it formally informs the district court of this court's final resolution of the appeal.").

Through issuance of the remittitur, the appellate court terminates its own jurisdiction and revests jurisdiction in the district court. See *Buffington v. State*, 110 Nev. 124, 126, 868 P.2d 643, 644 (1994) ("[T]he supreme court has control and supervision of an appealed matter from the filing of the notice of appeal until the issuance of the certificate of judgment."). The district court does not regain jurisdiction to act until remittitur is issued, transmitted and received. Id. At that time, the parties and/or the district court may take such action that is directed by the appellate court.

Even assuming arguendo, Plaintiff had not filed a [Court Approved] Voluntary Dismissal, the [mere] fact Plaintiff has appealed Case No. A-18-776375-C, in-and-of-itself [has] divested the District Courts jurisdiction associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C— including, but not limited to Judge Allf's Department 27.

Consequently, any actions taken by the Judge Allf, on and after August 30, 2019, are invalid. Because no Remittitur has been issued regarding Plaintiff's [current] appeal No. 79545 (pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C), the District Courts remains divested of jurisdiction pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C. Accordingly, any motions filed; any hearings held; and any orders issued or entered, affecting the merits of Case No. A-18-776375-C, are bootless and invalid—therefore unenforceable.

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II. 1 Plaintiff's "Motion for this Court to Take Judicial Notice That District Court Judge Nancy L. Allf is Without Jurisdiction to Consolidate the Closed Case No. A-18-776375-C With The Case Before this Court Case No. A-19-799140-C" Complies With NRS 2 47.130 & NRS 47.134: 3 4 Pursuant to NRS 47.130— 5 1. The facts subject to judicial notice are facts in issue or facts from which they may be inferred. 6 2. A judicially noticed fact must be: 7 (a) Generally known within the territorial jurisdiction of the 8 trial court; or (b) Capable of accurate and ready determination by resort to 9 sources whose accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned. so that the fact is not subject to reasonable dispute. 10 Here, Plaintiff's "Motion for this Court to Take Judicial Notice That District Court Judge 11 Nancy L. Allf is Without Jurisdiction to Consolidate the Closed Case No. A-18-776375-C With The 12 Case Before this Court Case No. A-19-799140-C" ("Motion"), meets the standards under NRS 13 47.130(1), because [every] fact put-forth in Plaintiff's Motion are facts in issue, or facts from which 14 they may be inferred. Moreover, each fact is or was generally known within the jurisdiction of the District Court, or were capable of accurate determination by sources, or references to sources, whose 16 accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned—consequently, the facts put-forth in Plaintiff's Motion 17 are not subject to reasonable dispute. 18 Pursuant to NRS 47.140— 19 The laws subject to judicial notice are: 20 **** 21 2. The Constitution of this State and Nevada Revised Statutes. 22 3. Any other statute of this State if brought to the attention of the 23 court by its title and the day of its passage. 24 6. A regulation not included in the Nevada Administrative Code if adopted in accordance with law and brought to the attention of the 25 court. 26 8. The constitution, statutes or other written law of any other state or territory of the United States, or of any foreign jurisdiction, as 27 contained in a book or pamphlet published by its authority or proved to be commonly recognized in its courts. 28

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As with Plaintiff's compliance with NRS 47.130, a review of Plaintiff's Motion evidences that it [also] meets the broad standards listed under NRS 47.140.

Plaintiff's Motion references to a number of Nevada Revised Statutes laws ("NRS"); other statute of this State; and statutes, or other written law, of any other state...as contained in a book or pamphlet published by its authority or proved to be commonly recognized in its courts. Accordingly, Plaintiff has complied with NRS 47.130(2), (3), (6) & (8).

III. Judge Allf's MINUTE ORDER Consolidating Case No. A-19-799140-C With Case No. A-18-776375-C IS NOT ENFORCEABLE, Because NO ORDER HAS BEEN **ENTERED**:

Simply put— An order is not effective "for any purpose" until it is entered. Tener v. Babcock, 97 Nev. 369, 370, 632 P.2d 1140 (1981). The "Entry" of an order means the filing of the written order with the clerk of the court. Accordingly, the court's oral pronouncement from the bench, the clerk's minute order, and even an unfiled written order are ineffective "for any purpose." Div. of Child & Family Servs. v. Eighth Judicial. Dist. Court, 120 Nev. 445, 454, 92 P.3d 1239, 1245 (2004). See also *Musso v. Triplett*, 78 Nev. 355, 357, 372 P.2d 687, 689 (1962) (minute order is not appealable).

In the instant matter NO ORDER has been "Entered" with the "Clerk of the Court" consequently, because NO ORDER has been "Entered," Judge Allf's "Minute Order" (dated October 16, 2019) is invalid and unenforceable. Because any consolidation [substantially] impacts the merits of Plaintiff's law suit, an Order must be Entered.

DATED this 30th day of October 2019.

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/s/ Paul D.S. Edwards

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Reply to Opposition to Motion for this Court to Take Judicial Notice That District Court Judge Nancy L. Allf is Without Jurisdiction to Consolidate the Closed Case No. A-18-776375-C with the Case Before this Court Case No. A-19-799140-C

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DECLARATION OF PLAINTIFF/COUNTER-DEFENDANT PAUL D.S. EDWARDS IN RESPONSE TO DECLARATION OF THE HONORABLE NANCY L. ALLF RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF THE RECUSAL/DISQUALIFICATION OF JUDGE NANCY L. ALLF

I, Paul D.S. Edwards, Plaintiff in proper person in the above-entitled case ("Plaintiff" or "Declarant"), make this "Declaration of Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Response to Declaration of the Honorable Nancy L. Allf Response to Plaintiff's Declaration in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf" ("Second Declaration"), and state that I am familiar with events, directly and indirectly, and have knowledge associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C and Case No. A-19-799140-C, and based my knowledge, information, and belief, hereby states as follows:

1. That on October 29, 2019, pursuant to NRS 1.235 (4), Plaintiff had an independent third-party [attempt] to deliver to [either] Judge Nancy L. Allf (personally), or a person of suitable age, and discretion, employed at Department 27, a copy of Plaintiff's "Declaration of Plaintiff Counter-Defendant PAUL D.S. EDWARDS in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada" ("First Declaration").

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¹At the time the affidavit is filed, a copy must be served upon the judge sought to be disqualified. Service must be made by delivering the copy to the judge personally or by leaving it at the judge's chambers with some person of suitable age and discretion employed therein.

²Plaintiff was [also] e-served a copy of Judge Allf's Declaration at 4:00 p.m., and received an email of Judge Allf's Declaration on October 30, 2019@12:41 p.m.

- 3. That on October 29, 2019, at [approximately] 3:15 p.m, the independent third-party telephoned Plaintiff, and explained the issue. Plaintiff told the caller to leave the First Declaration at Department 27's in-box.
- 4. That on October 29, 2019, **before** receiving a copy of Plaintiff's Declaration, and based on reviewing the Court's Daily Filings Reports, Judge Allf prepared, filed, and e-served (at 3:58 p.m.²) her "Declaration of the Honorable Nancy L. Allf in Response to Plaintiff's Declaration in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf' ("Judge Allf's Declaration").
 - "On July 16, 2019, Plaintiff filed a Voluntary Dismissal of the instant action, which was then stricken in accordance with Affiant's Order dated August 6,2019 because the Defendants have filed and served an answer in the case. Affiant found that the of an answer prohibits the voluntary dismissal of Plaintiff's actions without a court order under NRCP 41(a)(2)." Judge Allf's Declaration, Pge. 2, Item 9, ¶¶ 21-25.
- 6. That, Judge Allf's Order striking Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal was issued *sua sponte*, hence, without notice; without a hearing on the matter; and without allowing Plaintiff to putfourth any oppositions.

³Although courts possess certain inherent powers, their exercise is almost always contingent on the giving of notice and an opportunity to be heard. Without notice and an opportunity to be heard, sua sponte orders affecting substantive rights are invalid. See *Johanson v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, 124 Nev. 245, 253, 182 P.3d 94, 99 (2008) (holding that party is entitled to notice and hearing before gag order can be imposed); *Awada v. Shuffle Master, Inc.*, 123 Nev. 613, 621 n.26, 173 P.3d 707, 712 n.26 (2007) ("A party's rights to notice and an opportunity to be heard are paramount and do not vary based on the merits of the case"); *Soebbing v. Carpet Barn, Inc.*, 109 Nev. 78, 84, 847 P.2d 731, 735 (1993) (reversal of sua sponte summary judgment); *Horvath v. Gladstone*, 97 Nev. 594, 596 n.1, 637 P.2d 531, 533 n.1 (1981) (sua sponte amended judgment is void).

filed. (emphasis added). Also see Mack-Manley v. Manley, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529

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1	14.	That, until the Nevada Supreme Court issues a Remittitur, ⁸ associated with Plaintiff's	
2	Appeal (Supreme Court No.: 79545), Judge Allf remains divested of jurisdiction associated with		
3	Case No. A-18-776375-C.		
4	15.	That, [also] omitted from Judge Allf's Declaration is the relevant, crucial fact that on	
5	August 27, 2019, Judge Allf issued, and had Entered her Order "Granting Defendant's Motion to		
6	Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike."		
7	16.	That the August 27, 2019 Order, "Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion	
8	for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike," effectively, by its own language, dismissed		
9	Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint.		
10	17.	This Declaration is filed in good faith and not interposed for delay.	
11	"I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct."		
12	EXECUTED this 31st day of October 2019.		
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14		Respectfully submitted,	
15		PAUL D.S. EDWARDS	
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Pursuant to NRS 1.235, on November 1, 2019, Plaintiff also caused a copy of this "Declaration of Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Response to Declaration of the Honorable Nancy L. Allf Response to Plaintiff's Declaration in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf," to be hand delivered to Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada.

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On November 18, 2019, the Honorable Linda Marie Bell, Chief Judge, Eighth Judicial District Court, issued a Decision and Order ("D&O") denying Plaintiff Paul D. S. Edwards' ("Plaintiff") request to disqualify Judge Nancy Allf. In the D&O, [it appears] Judge Bell limited her ruling on two (2) findings. Findings that Plaintiff maintains are *flawed and counterfactual*. Findings that *overlooked* [the] actual facts, and [additional] issues raised by Plaintiff.

Plaintiff contends [that] those actual facts evidence a series of abuse of discretions¹ connoting bias. Here, Plaintiff holds that Judge Allf's decisions, as they directly pertain to Plaintiff, does not avoid the appearance of impropriety.

I. $\underline{\text{Finding 1}}$:

In her D&O, Judge Bell found that "...opposing party² had already filed and served an answer on February 6, 2019 (notation added). D&O, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 18-19. The second finding was that "...Judge Allf granted the unopposed motion on August 27, 2019." (emphasis added).

However, and no disrespect intended, it appears the language in the D&O is unilateral—representing Judge Allf's accounting, and [again], makes no reference to Plaintiff's *factual* assertions, and *irrefutable facts*.

¹An abuse of discretion is defined as: An adjudicator's failure to exercise sound, reasonable, and legal decision-making. Black's Law Dictionary, 12 (10th ed. 2014).

²"...opposing party..." has the same meaning as Defendants TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC, a/d/b/a TLC RESORT LIQUIDATORS, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, LLC, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS, a/k/a TLCRESORTS.COM, a/d/b/a TLC TRAVEL, a/k/a TLC, a/d/b/a VIP TRAVEL, a/d/b/a VIP VACATIONS, a/d/b/a VIP INTERNATIONAL (collectively "Defendants").

³The Order states, in pertinent part— "The Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and stricken from the Record." A copy of the Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit** 1.

⁴On July 30, 2019, Defendants filed their Motion. Pursuant to NRCP, Rule 6(a)(1), Plaintiff had

Case-in-point. The D&O states [albeit inaccurately] that "...Judge Allf granted the unopposed motion on August 27, 2019." (emphasis added). However, if the facts were reviewed, that finding would have been found to be [factually] inaccurate.

The irrefutable fact is that [initially]— on August 6, 2019, seven (7) days after Defendants filed "Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, or in the Alternative, for Relief Pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(2)" ("Motion"), Judge Allf, sue sponte, prepared and filed a premature Order³ granting the Motion. Not [initially] on August 27, 2019, as asserted in the D&O.

The <u>August 6, 2019</u> [filing] date is critical, because the [premature] filing of the August 6, 2019 Order obstructed Plaintiff from filing any opposition to Defendants Motion. Even more so, the [premature] filing of the August 6, 2019 Order denied Plaintiff his due-process, because, pursuant to NRCP, Rule 6(a)(1), <u>Plaintiff had until August 13, 2019 to file any Opposition</u> to Defendants' Motion.⁴

Consequently, it is disingenuous for the D&O to claim that Plaintiff failed to oppose Defendants motion, when, the irrefutable fact is, Plaintiff was denied the opportunity (and mandated time) to oppose Defendants Motion. In other words, Judge Allf's August 6, 2019 Order closed the door on Plaintiff's due-process. Accordingly, denying Plaintiff the time to file an opposition to Defendants Motion constituted an extreme abuse of discretion.

until August 13, 2019 to file any Opposition to Defendants' Motion. However, on August 6, 2019, seven (7) days after Defendants filed their Motion, Judge Allf, sue sponte, and prematurely, filed an Order granting Defendants Motion. Presuming Plaintiff wanted to file an opposition to Defendants Motion, Plaintiff had until August 13, 2019 to do so. Hence, the premature [sua sponte] filing of Judge Allf's August 6, 2019 Order denied Plaintiff the required length-of-time (fourteen (14) days) to file any opposition to Defendants Motion. The [initial] Order that deprived Plaintiff the dueprocess opportunity to respond to (oppose) Defendants motion actually was filed on August 6, 2019, not on August 27, 2019 as asserted in the D&O. Also see Page 6, ¶¶ 5-20 of "Declaration of Plaintiff Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada".

The August 27, 2019 order, referenced in the D&O, was prepared by Defendants counsel, Brian P. Clark, and granted by Judge Allf. That order (in part) reiterated the [initially filed] August 6, 2019 Order. In addition to the August 27, 2019 order (Exhibit 2), three (3) additional orders [prepared by Defendants counsel, Brian P. Clark, and granted by Judge Allf] were also filed on August 27, 2019. One of the orders filed on August 27, 2019 (Exhibit 3), evidences dismissing every claim; dismissing parties not named as Defendants; dismissing admissible evidence (without [first] providing Plaintiff the opportunity to conduct an evidentiary hearing); dismissing words and phrases that Defendants were unhappy with; dismissing public information; and may have included dismissing the [proverbial] kitchen sink.

Plaintiff holds that the August 27, 2019 order (Exhibit 3) dismissed all of Plaintiff's claims and causes of actions, leaving Plaintiff's [Court Ordered] First Amended Complaint with hollow, inconsequential meaningless words, and no case to move forward with.

Interestingly, the District Court Register of Actions - Case No. A-18-776375-C, for August 6, 2019, evidences a judgment entered against Plaintiff, and for Defendants Timeshare Liquidators LLC (Defendant), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant), However, Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant).

However, Defendants Stanley C Mullis , Angel C Mullis, and Jonathan Robert Jossel were dismissed in January 2019.

⁵A copy of the August 27, 2019, Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, or in the Alternative, For Relief Pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(2), is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit 2**.

⁶In addition to the August 27, 2019 order (Exhibit 2), the following three (3) orders were also filed on that date— (1) Notice of Entry of Order Denying Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Complaint; (2) Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Counter-motion to Continue Decision on Plaintiff's Motion until after the Court Issues its Order on Defendant's (May 1, 2019) Motion to Dismiss; and (3) Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike. A copy of (3) Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike, is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 3.

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II. Finding 2:

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Even more so, in Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint (Case No. A-18-776375-C), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant) Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant) were never named as Defendants. More importantly, Cash4Asking LLC , Eduardo Romay Hernandez, and Gladys C. Rionda were never named as Defendants in any Complaint pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C.

Then, for August 27, 2019, the District Court Register of Actions - Case No. A-18-776375-C, evidences judgment entered against Plaintiff, and for Timeshare Liquidators LLC (Defendant), Plaza Hotel & Casino LLC (Defendant), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Michael Anthony Pergolini (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Stanley C. Mullis (Defendant), Angel C. Mullis (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant).

Yet again, Plaza Hotel & Casino LLC (Defendant), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), and Michael Anthony Pergolini (Defendant), were [each] dismissed from Case No. A-18-776375-C in January 2019. Reiterating, and Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant), never were Defendants in Case No. A-18-776375-C.

The other finding in the D&O states—

Mr. Edwards filed his voluntary dismissal on July 16, 2019, but an opposing party had already filed and served an answer on February 6, 2019. Therefore, a court order was required to dismiss the action. Defendants moved to set aside Mr. Edwards's voluntary dismissal under NRCP 4l(a), and Judge Allf granted the unopposed motion on August 27, 2019. Judge Allf's ruling was in accordance with NRĈP 41(a). D&O, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 18-22.

Regarding Plaintiff's [Court Approved] Voluntary Dismissal. The irrefutable fact is that— Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, agreed to the terms of a Voluntary Dismissal as delineated under NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) and (C). It was attorney Clark that urged Plaintiff to file the Voluntary Dismissal at Plaintiff's earliest convenience (to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing other issues of the case). See Exhibit 4 attached hereto and incorporated herein.

It was [also] attorney Clark that accepted the settlement amount of \$373.00, for the reimbursement of Defendants filing fees. See **Exhibit 5** attached hereto and incorporated herein.

On July 11, 2019, at Plaintiff's request, a discovery dispute conference took place at the law office of Brian P. Clark, attorney for Defendants. Attending the conference were Plaintiff, *pro se*, and for Defendants, attorney Brian P. Clark. Shortly after the meeting began Plaintiff raised two (2) issues. A [possible] stipulation to a Second Amended Complaint ("SAC"), or Plaintiff filing a Voluntary Dismissal. After a [brief] discussion, the consensus was for Plaintiff to file a Voluntary Dismissal.

Plaintiff and attorney Clark reviewed NRCP, Rule 41, and concluded—because Defendants had not Answered to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint ("FAC"), Plaintiff can file a Voluntary Dismissal pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i). Plaintiff [also] stipulated to pay Defendants' filing fees pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(C).⁷

Before leaving, Mr. Clark requested Plaintiff file the Voluntary Dismissal at the earliest possible time. See Exhibit 4.

Shortly after Plaintiff left the meeting, he received the following email from attorney Clark—

Mr. Edwards,

During our discovery dispute conference today you indicated that you intended to voluntarily dismiss the First Amended Complaint and to repay Defendants' filing fees of \$373.00...provide me with Notice of Voluntary Dismissal at your earliest convenience to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing...issues. (emphasis added). See Exhibit 4.

It is unequivocal that the emails evidence Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark's agreement to terminate Case No. A-18-776375-C by Plaintiff filing a Voluntary Dismissal— at Plaintiff's "...earliest convenience...," and to reimburse Defendants filing fees. As part of the settlement agreement, Plaintiff responded to attorney Clark's email as follows—

"I'll bring a money order for \$373.00 to your office tomorrow...." See Exhibit 4.

On July 12, 2019, attorney Clark emailed Plaintiff advising that the Defendants, in addition to the \$373.00 filing fees, [also] wanted to recoup their attorney fees. See Exhibit 4. At 9:24 a.m., [also] on July 12, 2019, attorney Clark telephoned Plaintiff, and a seven-and-a-half (71/2) minute conversation took-place.

⁷It was attorney Clark that calculated Defendants filing fees to be \$373.00.

Mr. Clark told Plaintiff that Defendants, in addition to the \$373.00 filing fees— [now] expected to get paid their attorney fees. Plaintiff reminded attorney Clark that under Rule 41, Defendants are only entitled to filing fees. Plaintiff [again] advised attorney Clark he will bring the \$373.00 filing fees on Monday. The conversation ended.

On Monday, July 15, 2019, as agreed, Plaintiff met attorney Clark at his law offices, whereat Mr. Clark accepted, as settlement, the \$373.00 filing fees, at which time Mr. Clark signed a Receipt for Defendants' filing fees (for the amount of \$ 373.00). A copy of the Receipt and USPS Money Order (for the amount of \$ 373.00) is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit 5**.

As agreed upon between Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, and Plaintiff—at Plaintiff's earliest convenience—on July 16, 2019, after Judge Allf entered "the blue ink statistical case closure stamp" on Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, Plaintiff e-filed and e-served the (agreed to) Voluntary Dismissal. A copy of the [Court Approved] Voluntary Dismissal is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit 6**.9

Plaintiff holds that, even after the July 12, 2019 telephone conference and emails, between attorney Clark and Plaintiff—by accepting Defendants' filing fees, as agreed to between Defendants attorney and Plaintiff; and, as [also] agreed to, the filing of the Voluntary Dismissal at Plaintiff's earliest convenience— constituted a verbal agreement between the parties to a Voluntary Dismissal—accordingly closing Case No. A-18-776375-C.

⁸The blue ink statistical case closure stamp is evidenced on the caption page of Plaintiff's "Voluntary Dismissal." See EDCR, Rule 2.91, that states—

[&]quot;... any voluntary dismissal that is prepared pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(1) which resolves all pending claims and renders the case ripe for closure shall be delivered to the chambers of the assigned department prior to filing. An individual...will then affix the blue ink statistical case closure stamp to it, check the appropriate voluntary dismissal box on it...Thereafter, the document can be filed."

⁹Page 2, ¶ 14-15 of Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal clearly states—"...as of the filing and service of Plaintiffs Notice of Voluntary Dismissal...Defendants have not Answered to Plaintiffs First Amended Complaint." (emphasis added).

III. Defendants Failed to File Any Answer to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint:

In the D&O, Jude Bell states—

"...opposing party had already filed and served an answer on February 6, 2019 (notation added). D&O, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 18-19.

However, the Answer that Defendants filed and served on February 6, 2019, was the Answer [limited] to Plaintiff's initial Complaint. At no time has Defendants, or Judge Allf, or Judge Bell provided any citations, reference, information, or legal authority that limits "...an answer...," as stated under 41(a)(1)(A)(i), to the Answer to the initial Complaint. Even more so, neither the Nev. Sup. Ct., nor Nev. App. Ct. has issued any findings limiting "...an answer...," as stated under 41(a)(1)(A)(i), to the initial Complaint.

Obviously, Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, by requesting Plaintiff file his Voluntary Dismissal at Plaintiff's "...earliest convenience...," and by accepting the settlement amount of \$373.00 (calculated by attorney Clark), also held that Defendants *failure to Answer* to Plaintiff's FAC constituted Plaintiff's right (pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) & (C)) to file his Voluntary Dismissal. Defendants' change-of-mind, so as to attempt to recoup their attorney fees, is not grounds for granting Defendants Motion. Under 41(a)(1)(A)(i) the statement "...before the opposing party serves either an answer or a motion for summary judgment," is **completely void** of any wording requiring or limiting "...an answer..." to [specifically] the initial Complaint. The *stare decisis* of [both] the Nev. Sup. Ct., and Nev. App. Ct. hasn't wavered—an Amended Complaint is a distinct pleading that supersedes the original complaint, and requires a responsive pleading, e.g, an Answer. See *Randono v. Ballow*, 100 Nev. 142, 143, 676 P.2d 807, 808 (1984), wherein the Nev. Sup. Ct. agreed with the reasoning of a Arizona Court of Appeals decision.

The amended complaint in this case was a distinct pleading which superseded the original complaint...In a similar case, the court in *Campbell v. Deddens*, 518 P.2d 1012 (Ariz.Ct.App. 1974), ruled that where a complaint is amended in a material way...The court reasoned that the defendant's answer to the amended complaint constituted his first responsive pleading...even though the defendant had responded to the original complaint...We agree with the reasoning in *Campbell*. (emphasis added).

¹⁰Unless the court orders otherwise, any required response to an amended pleading must be made within the time remaining to respond to the original pleading or within 14 days after service of the amended pleading, whichever is later. NRCP, Rule 15(a)(3).

There have been no contradictions (by either the Nev. Sup. Ct., or Nev. App. Ct.) to the Courts' reasoning in *Campbell*.

Also see, McKnight Family, LLP v. Adept Mgmt., 310 P. 3d 555, 129 Nev. 610 (Nev. Sup. Ct., 2013)(The amended complaint superseded all claims for relief alleged in the original complaint.); Pacific Bell Telephone Co. v. Linkline Comm., Inc., 129 S.Ct. 1109, 172 L.Ed.2d 836 (U.S. 02/25/2009)(...an amended complaint supersedes the original complaint.).

Accordingly, Petitioner's reasoning mirrors Randono.

By court order, Plaintiff filed a "First Amended Complaint" ("FAC"), which was [so] materially and noticeably distinct from Plaintiff's initial Complaint, that Defendants' initial Answer had no relevance, pertinency, or applicability to Plaintiff's FAC—thus requiring a completely new [relevant] Answer.¹¹

However, Defendants never Answered [timely or otherwise] to Plaintiff's FAC.¹² Defendants response to the FAC was to file "Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike." Consequently, as corroborated by Defendants attorney Brian P. Clark, allowing Plaintiff to file a Voluntary Dismissal pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i).

Because, as here, the filing of Plaintiff's [noticeably different and materially distinct] FAC [literally] made Plaintiff's initial Complaint as if it never existed, it is consequential that any Answer to the initial Complaint [also] had no legal affect—because the initial Answer was so materially different than what the Answer would be for the FAC, that it would also be treated as non-existent. See *Randono*, supra.

IV. Judge Allf Ignored The Filing of Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal:

See Kenneth Berberich v. Southern Highlands Comm. Assoc., 72689 (Nev. April 2018)(because Berberich's notice of voluntary dismissal...amounted to a final judgment, we conclude the district court erred by holding hearings on pending motions affecting the merits...)(emphasis added); Stubbs v. Strickland, 297 P.3d 326, 329 (2013)(The Nevada appellate

¹¹Plaintiff has presented this argument in his Petition for En Banc Reconsideration, now before the Nevada Supreme Court. No ruling has been reached as of the date of this filing (December 2, 2019). ¹²Id.

courts have ruled a Nev. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(i) voluntary dismissal is "effective upon filing...[i]t closes the file...and the court has no role to play. The court can not intervene or...affect the dismissal. [T]he action is terminated and the court is without further jurisdiction in the matter); A Rule 41(a)(1) dismissal is permanent. A voluntary dismissal cannot be set aside unless it was not the result of a "free, calculated, and deliberate" choice. (emphasis added).

V. <u>Judge Allf Abused Her Discretion By Ignoring The Filing of Plaintiff's Appeal:</u>

The Nev. Sup. Ct. has consistently explained that the appealability of an order or judgment depends on "what the order or judgment actually does, not what it is called." *Valley Bank of Nev. v. Ginsburg*, 110 Nev. 440, 445, 874 P.2d 729, 733 (1994) (emphasis omitted). Also see *Lee v. GNLV Corp.*, 116 Nev. 424, 426-27, 996 P.2d 416, 417-18 (2000); *Taylor v. Barringer*, 75 Nev. 409, 344 P.2d 676 (1959).

Consequently, on the grounds that the Order (Exhibit 3) literally dismissed every claim, allegation, and argument supporting Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint, and the fact that Judge Allf denied Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File a Second Amended Complaint, any further order(s) or judgment entered by Judge Allf would have been superfluous, unnecessary, and [may] confuse jurisdiction. Here, Judge Allf entered a final [and appealable] order of dismissal (see Exhibit 3).

Nevertheless, *assuming arguendo*, Plaintiff never filed a Voluntary Dismissal, certainly Plaintiff's appeal cannot be ignored. An Appeal that, with limited exceptions, divested Judge Allf's jurisdiction to continue holding hearings and entering orders pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C.

This is not Rocket Science. On August 30, 2019, at the time Plaintiff e-filed and e-served his Notice of Appeal, Judge Allf was divested of jurisdiction associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C— with the exception of matters collateral to, and independent from the appealed matters.

In Phillip Emerson v. the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada, 263 P.3d 224 (Nev. 10/06/2011) the Nevada Supreme Court held that the district court only retains jurisdiction to collateral matters that do not affect the merits of [the appellant's] appeal, after an appeal is filed. (emphasis added).

Also see *Mack-Manley v. Manley*, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529 (2006) (A timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction to revisit matters pending on appeal; but, the district court retains jurisdiction over "matters collateral to and independent from the appealed order.")(Once a notice of appeal is timely and properly filed, the district court is divested of jurisdiction to enter further orders granting relief on the same subject matter. (emphasis added); *Kantor v. Kantor*, 116 Nev. 886, 894-95, 8 P.3d 825, 830 (2000) (holding that, although a timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction and vests jurisdiction in this court, the district court had jurisdiction to award attorney fees while an appeal of the underlying divorce decree was pending because the "collateral matter did not affect the merits of [the appellant's] appeal").

Judge Allf *has failed to produce* any legal authority that authorizes her to retain jurisdiction, and continue holding hearings and entering orders pertaining to [the appealed case] Case No. A-18-776375-C.

By Judge Allf's continuation of holding hearings and issuing orders pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C, subsequent to Plaintiff's Notice of Appeal, constituted an extreme abuse of discretion and the appearance of extreme bias.

VI. No Remittitur Has Yet Issued:

Irrespective of Judge Allf belief that Plaintiff's Appeal was unjustified, untimely, or even premature; and regardless of the Nev. Sup. Ct. issuing a Order Dismissal [of Plaintiff's] Appeal, and a Denial of Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration— until such time the Nevada Supreme Court issues a Remittitur pertaining to Plaintiff's Appeal of Case No. A-18-776375-C, Judge Allf remains divested of jurisdiction of Case No. A-18-776375-C¹³ (with the exception of collateral matters that do not affect the merits of Plaintiff's [current] appeal No. 79545).

Accordingly, unless Judge Allf is supported by [any] legal authority that authorizes her to retain jurisdiction, and continue holding hearings and entering orders pertaining to [the appealed case] Case No. A-18-776375-C, until a Remittitur is issued, Judge Allf lacks any jurisdiction over

¹³Now pending in the Nevada Supreme Court is Plaintiff's Petition for En Banc Reconsideration, pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C (Appeal No. 79545).

Case No. A-18-776375-C (with the exception of collateral matters that do not affect the merits of Plaintiff's [current] appeal).

Accordingly, Judge Allf was without jurisdiction to consolidate Case No. A-18-776375-C with Case No. A-19-799140-C.

The purposes of the Remittitur is to: (1) divest the Appellate Court of jurisdiction and return jurisdiction to the court or agency whose decision was under review; (2) formally inform the court or agency whose decision was under review of the appellate court's final resolution of the appeal; and (3) in the case of an untimely appeal, remove or transfer the matter from the appellate court's docket and inform the court or agency whose decision was under review that the appellate court never obtained jurisdiction over the matter and that the court or agency was never divested of jurisdiction. *Dickerson v. State*, 114 Nev. 1084, 967 P.2d 1132 (1998). Also see *Branch Banking & Trust Company v. Douglas D. Gerrard, Esq.*, 134 Nev.Adv.Op. 106, No. 73848, Supreme Court of Nevada (December 27, 2018) citing *Dickerson*.

Remittitur is the process by which the Nevada Supreme Court terminates its jurisdiction over an Appeal. See generally NRAP 41(a). Unless the time is shortened or lengthened by order, or if a timely petition for rehearing (NRAP 40), or for En Banc reconsideration is filed (NRAP 40A), Remittitur will issue 25 days after the entry of judgment (NRAP 36). NRAP 41(a)(1).

Through issuance of the Remittitur, the Appellate Court terminates its own jurisdiction and re-vests jurisdiction in the District Court. See *Buffington v. State*, 110 Nev. 124, 126, 868 P.2d 643, 644 (1994) ("[T]he supreme court has control and supervision of an appealed matter from the filing of the notice of appeal until the issuance of the certificate of judgment."). The district court does not regain jurisdiction to act until remittitur is issued, transmitted and received. Id. (emphasis added).

Because no Remittitur has been issued regarding Plaintiff's [current] appeal of Case No. A-18-776375-C, with the exceptions cited *supra*, Judge Allf (and the District Courts) remain divested of jurisdiction pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C. Accordingly, any motions filed; any hearings held; and any orders issued or entered, affecting the merits of Case No. A-18-776375-C, are bootless

and invalid—therefore unenforceable.

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Plaintiff doesn't pursue his claims of bias unconcernedly. Nor does Plaintiff bring his bias claim(s) in disrespect or retaliation for, or against Judge Allf. Plaintiff brought his bias complaint because it appears, base on Judge Allf's questionable decisions, there is an appearance of bias.

First there is Judge Allf's erroneous statement—

"The landlord is dismissed with prejudice. There's simply no cause of action against a landlord. If that were true, every strip center would be responsible for every person who slipped and fell in every store. It's just not a recognized cause of action under Nevada. December 5, 2018 Hearing, Pge. 26, ¶¶ 10-13.

However, as Plaintiff's initial Complaint evidences, Plaintiff did not name the Union Plaza Hotel as a Defendant as a "landlord," the Plaza was named as a consequence of its involvement with Defendant TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC's illegal telemarketing activities—for that, there is an abundance of supporting legal authority.

At the December 5, 2018 Hearing, Judge Allf [literally] granted every issue that Defendants wanted stricken from Plaintiff's initial Complaint—yet Judge Allf failed to make any reference to Plaintiff's arguments. A copy of the August 27, 2019 Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 3.

Then Judge Allf, after [first] approving Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, then struck Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, based upon Defendants Motion. However, as outlined, supra, Judge Allf obstructed Plaintiff's right to file an opposition to Defendants Motion.

Subsequently, Judge Allf, [again] granted each of Defendants' motions, including the dismissal of all claims. Followed by Judge Allf disregarding Plaintiff's appeal, and continuing to conduct hearings and issue orders, even though she was divested of jurisdiction to do so.

Then, Judge Allf, after she was divested of jurisdiction over Case No. A-18-776375-C, hence without legal authority, consolidated Case No. A-18-776375-C with Case No. A-19-799140-C (a new case brought by Plaintiff).

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1	It is undeniable that Judge Allf has displayed a continuation of bias against this proper person
2	Plaintiff.
3	For all of the aforementioned, Judge Allf should be removed from Case No. A-18-776375-C
4	and Case No. A-19-799140-C.
5	DATED this 2nd day of December, 2019.
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7	Respectfully submitted,
8	PAUL D.S. EDWARDS
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CERTIFICATE OF E-SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on the 2nd day of December 2019, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules (NEFCR) & N.R.C.P., Rule 5(b)(4), I e-served a true and correct copy of the following document:

1. Objection to Decision and Order

to the following:

Brian P. Clark, CLARK MCCOURT bpc@clarkmccomi.com

Chad F. Clement, MARQUIS AURBACH COFFING cclement@maclaw.com

Plaintiff also caused a copy of this Objection to Decision and Order to be hand delivered to Department 27 and Department 7, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada.

Designee for Plaintiff

Electronically Filed 12/2/2019 2:28 PM Steven D. Grierson CLERK OF THE COURT 1 NWM (CIV) PAUL D.S. EDWARDS, 2 Plaintiff pro se 713 Wheat Ridge Lane, Unit 203, Las Vegas, Nevada 89145 3 Landline Telephone: 702.341.1776 4 Cellular Telephone: 702.893.1776 Email: pauldse@pauldsedwards.com 5 6 DISTRICT COURT, 7 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 8 9 10 PAUL D.S. EDWARDS, **CASE NO.:** A-19-799140-C Plaintiff, 11 DEPT. NO.: XXII 12 vs. NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF 13 TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC a/d/b/a TLC RESORT LIQUIDATORS **OBJECTION TO** a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, LLC, 14 **DECISION AND ORDER** a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, 15 a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS, a/k/a TLCRESORTS.COM, a/d/b/a TLC TRAVEL, a/k/a TLC, a/d/b/a VIP TRAVEL, a/d/b/a VIP VACATIONS 16 a/d/b/a VIP INTERNATIONAL, 17 and CASH4ASKING, LLC, a/d/b/a CASH4ASKING.COM, and STANLEY C. MULLIS, a/k/a STANLEY MULLIS, 18 a/k/a STAN MULLIS, 19 and ANGEL C. MULLIS, a/k/a ANGEL MULLIS, a/k/a ANGEL SANTILLI, 20 and EDUARDO ROMAY HERNANDEZ, a/k/a EDUARDO L ROMAYHERNANDEZ. 21 a/k/a EDUARDO ROMARY, a/k/a EDUARDO L. ROMAY HERNANDEZ, 22 a/k/a HERNANDEZ EDUARDO ROMAY, a/k/a HERNANDEZ EDUARDO L ROMAY, a/k/a EDUARDO ROMAY, 23 a/k/a MR EDUARDO L. ROMAY, 24 and GLADYS C. RIONDA, a/k/a SUITO GLADYS RIONDA. 25 a/k/a GLADYS C. RIONDA-SUITO, a/k/a GLADYS SUITO, a/k/a GLADYS RIONDA SUITO, 26 and DOES I-X, and ROE CORPORATIONS XI-XX, et al. 27 Defendants. 28

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff PAUL D.S. EDWARDS, pro se ("Plaintiff"),			
withdraws his Objection to Decision and Order.			
Plaintiff inadvertently filed his Objection to Decision and Order without attaching the			
referenced Exhibits. A corrected Objection to Decision and Order will be filed.			
DATED this 2nd day of December 2019.			
PAUL D.S. EDWARDS			
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CERTIFICATE OF E-SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on the 2nd day of December 2019, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules (NEFCR) & N.R.C.P., Rule 5(b)(4), I e-served a true and correct copy of the following document: 1. Notice of Withdrawal of Objection to Decision and Order to the following: Brian P. Clark, CLARK MCCOURT bpc@clarkmccomi.com Chad F. Clement, MARQUIS AURBACH COFFING cclement@maclaw.com Designee for Plaintiff

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TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC, a/d/b/a TLC RESORT LIQUIDATORS. a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, LLC, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, 3 a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS, a/k/a TLCRESORTS.COM, a/d/b/a TLC TRAVEL, a/k/a TLC, a/d/b/a VIP TRAVEL, 4 a/d/b/a VIP VACATIONS, a/d/b/a VIP INTERNATIONAL 5

Counter-Claimants,

vs.

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Counter-Defendant.

On November 18, 2019, the Honorable Linda Marie Bell, Chief Judge, Eighth Judicial District Court, issued a Decision and Order ("D&O") denying Plaintiff Paul D. S. Edwards' ("Plaintiff") request to disqualify Judge Nancy Allf. In the D&O, [it appears] Judge Bell limited her ruling on two (2) findings. Findings that Plaintiff maintains are *flawed and counterfactual*. Findings that overlooked [the] actual facts, and [additional] issues raised by Plaintiff.

Plaintiff contends [that] those actual facts evidence a series of abuse of discretions¹ connoting bias. Here, Plaintiff holds that Judge Allf's decisions, as they directly pertain to Plaintiff, does not avoid the appearance of impropriety.

I. Finding 1:

In her D&O, Judge Bell found that "...opposing party² had already filed and served an answer on February 6, 2019 (notation added). D&O, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 18-19. The second finding was that "...Judge Allf granted the unopposed motion on August 27, 2019." (emphasis added).

However, and no disrespect intended, it appears the language in the D&O is unilateral representing Judge Allf's accounting, and [again], makes no reference to Plaintiff's factual assertions, and irrefutable facts.

An abuse of discretion is defined as: An adjudicator's failure to exercise sound, reasonable, and legal decision-making. Black's Law Dictionary, 12 (10th ed. 2014).

[&]quot;...opposing party..." has the same meaning as Defendants TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC, a/d/b/a TLC RESORT LIQUIDATORS, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, LLC, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, a/d/b/a TLC RESORTS, a/k/a TLCRESORTS.COM, a/d/b/a TLC TRAVEL, a/k/a TLC, a/d/b/a VIP TRAVEL, a/d/b/a VIP VACATIONS, a/d/b/a VIP INTERNATIONAL (collectively "Defendants").

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³The Order states, in pertinent part— "The Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and stricken from the Record." A copy of the Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1.

Case-in-point. The D&O states [albeit inaccurately] that "...Judge Allf granted the unopposed motion on August 27, 2019." (emphasis added). However, if the facts were reviewed, that finding would have been found to be [factually] inaccurate.

The irrefutable fact is that [initially]— on August 6, 2019, seven (7) days after Defendants filed "Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, or in the Alternative, for Relief Pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(2)" ("Motion"), Judge Allf, sue sponte, prepared and filed a premature Order³ granting the Motion. Not [initially] on August 27, 2019, as asserted in the D&O.

The <u>August 6, 2019</u> [filing] date is critical, because the [premature] filing of the August 6, 2019 Order obstructed Plaintiff from filing any opposition to Defendants Motion. Even more so, the [premature] filing of the August 6, 2019 Order denied Plaintiff his due-process, because, pursuant to NRCP, Rule 6(a)(1), Plaintiff had until August 13, 2019 to file any Opposition to Defendants' Motion.4

Consequently, it is disingenuous for the D&O to claim that Plaintiff failed to oppose Defendants motion, when, the irrefutable fact is, Plaintiff was denied the opportunity (and mandated time) to oppose Defendants Motion. In other words, Judge Allf's August 6, 2019 Order closed the door on Plaintiff's due-process. Accordingly, denying Plaintiff the time to file an opposition to Defendants Motion constituted an extreme abuse of discretion.

⁴On July 30, 2019, Defendants filed their Motion. Pursuant to NRCP, Rule 6(a)(1), Plaintiff had until August 13, 2019 to file any Opposition to Defendants' Motion. However, on August 6, 2019, seven (7) days after Defendants filed their Motion, Judge Allf, sue sponte, and prematurely, filed an Order granting Defendants Motion. Presuming Plaintiff wanted to file an opposition to Defendants Motion, Plaintiff had until August 13, 2019 to do so. Hence, the premature [sua sponte] filing of Judge Allf's August 6, 2019 Order denied Plaintiff the required length-of-time (fourteen (14) days) to file any opposition to Defendants Motion. The [initial] Order that deprived Plaintiff the dueprocess opportunity to respond to (oppose) Defendants motion actually was filed on August 6. 2019, not on August 27, 2019 as asserted in the D&O. Also see Page 6, ¶¶ 5-20 of "Declaration of Plaintiff Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards in Support of the Recusal/Disqualification of Judge Nancy L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada".

The August 27, 2019 order, referenced in the D&O, was prepared by Defendants counsel, Brian P. Clark, and granted by Judge Allf. That order (in part) reiterated the [initially filed] August 6, 2019 Order. In addition to the August 27, 2019 order (Exhibit 2), three (3) additional orders [prepared by Defendants counsel, Brian P. Clark, and granted by Judge Allf] were also filed on August 27, 2019. One of the orders filed on August 27, 2019 (Exhibit 3), evidences dismissing every claim; dismissing parties not named as Defendants; dismissing admissible evidence (without [first] providing Plaintiff the opportunity to conduct an evidentiary hearing); dismissing words and phrases that Defendants were unhappy with; dismissing public information; and may have included dismissing the [proverbial] kitchen sink.

Plaintiff holds that the August 27, 2019 order (Exhibit 3) dismissed all of Plaintiff's claims and causes of actions, leaving Plaintiff's [Court Ordered] First Amended Complaint with hollow, inconsequential meaningless words, and no case to move forward with.

Interestingly, the District Court Register of Actions - Case No. A-18-776375-C, for August 6, 2019, evidences a judgment entered against Plaintiff, and for Defendants Timeshare Liquidators LLC (Defendant), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant), However, Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant).

However, Defendants Stanley C Mullis , Angel C Mullis, and Jonathan Robert Jossel were dismissed in January 2019.

⁵A copy of the August 27, 2019, Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, or in the Alternative, For Relief Pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(2), is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit 2**.

⁶In addition to the August 27, 2019 order (Exhibit 2), the following three (3) orders were also filed on that date— (1) Notice of Entry of Order Denying Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Complaint; (2) Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Counter-motion to Continue Decision on Plaintiff's Motion until after the Court Issues its Order on Defendant's (May 1, 2019) Motion to Dismiss; and (3) Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike. A copy of (3) Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike, is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 3.

1 2 C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), 3 Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda 4 (Defendant) Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys 5 C. Rionda (Defendant) were never named as Defendants. More importantly, Cash4Asking LLC 6 , Eduardo Romay Hernandez, and Gladys C. Rionda were never named as Defendants in any Complaint pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C.

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II. Finding 2:

The other finding in the D&O states—

(Defendant), never were Defendants in Case No. A-18-776375-C.

Mr. Edwards filed his voluntary dismissal on July 16, 2019, but an opposing party had already filed and served an answer on February 6, 2019. Therefore, a court order was required to dismiss the action. Defendants moved to set aside Mr. Edwards's voluntary dismissal under NRCP 4l(a), and Judge Allf granted the unopposed motion on August 27, 2019. Judge Allf's ruling was in accordance with NRĈP 41(a). D&O, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 18-22.

Even more so, in Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint (Case No. A-18-776375-C), Stanley

Then, for August 27, 2019, the District Court Register of Actions - Case No. A-18-776375-C,

evidences judgment entered against Plaintiff, and for Timeshare Liquidators LLC (Defendant), Plaza

Hotel & Casino LLC (Defendant), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C Mullis (Defendant),

Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), Michael Anthony Pergolini (Defendant), Cash4Asking LLC

(Defendant), Stanley C. Mullis (Defendant), Angel C. Mullis (Defendant), Eduardo Romay

Hernandez (Defendant), Gladys C. Rionda (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant).

Mullis (Defendant), Jonathan Robert Jossel (Defendant), and Michael Anthony Pergolini

(Defendant), were [each] dismissed from Case No. A-18-776375-C in January 2019. Reiterating,

and Cash4Asking LLC (Defendant), Eduardo Romay Hernandez (Defendant), and Gladys C. Rionda

Yet again, Plaza Hotel & Casino LLC (Defendant), Stanley C Mullis (Defendant), Angel C

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Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, agreed to the terms of a Voluntary Dismissal as delineated under NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) and (C). It was attorney Clark that urged Plaintiff to file the Voluntary Dismissal at Plaintiff's earliest convenience (to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing other issues of the case). See Exhibit 4 attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Regarding Plaintiff's [Court Approved] Voluntary Dismissal. The irrefutable fact is that—

It was [also] attorney Clark that accepted the settlement amount of \$373.00, for the reimbursement of Defendants filing fees. See Exhibit 5 attached hereto and incorporated herein.

On July 11, 2019, at Plaintiff's request, a discovery dispute conference took place at the law office of Brian P. Clark, attorney for Defendants. Attending the conference were Plaintiff, *pro se*, and for Defendants, attorney Brian P. Clark. Shortly after the meeting began Plaintiff raised two (2) issues. A [possible] stipulation to a Second Amended Complaint ("SAC"), or Plaintiff filing a Voluntary Dismissal. After a [brief] discussion, the consensus was for Plaintiff to file a Voluntary Dismissal.

Plaintiff and attorney Clark reviewed NRCP, Rule 41, and concluded—because Defendants had not Answered to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint ("FAC"), Plaintiff can file a Voluntary Dismissal pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i). Plaintiff [also] stipulated to pay Defendants' filing fees pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(C).⁷

Before leaving, Mr. Clark requested Plaintiff file the Voluntary Dismissal at the earliest possible time. See Exhibit 4.

Shortly after Plaintiff left the meeting, he received the following email from attorney Clark—

Mr. Edwards,

During our discovery dispute conference today you indicated that you intended to voluntarily dismiss the First Amended Complaint and to repay Defendants' filing fees of \$373.00...provide me with Notice of Voluntary Dismissal at your earliest convenience to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing...issues. (emphasis added). See Exhibit 4.

It is unequivocal that the emails evidence Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark's agreement to terminate Case No. A-18-776375-C by Plaintiff filing a Voluntary Dismissal— at Plaintiff's "...earliest convenience...," and to reimburse Defendants filing fees. As part of the settlement agreement, Plaintiff responded to attorney Clark's email as follows—

"I'll bring a money order for \$373.00 to your office tomorrow...." See Exhibit 4.

On July 12, 2019, attorney Clark emailed Plaintiff advising that the Defendants, in addition to the \$373.00 filing fees, [also] wanted to recoup their attorney fees. See Exhibit 4. At 9:24 a.m., [also] on July 12, 2019, attorney Clark telephoned Plaintiff, and a seven-and-a-half (71/2) minute conversation took-place.

⁷It was attorney Clark that calculated Defendants filing fees to be \$373.00.

 Mr. Clark told Plaintiff that Defendants, in addition to the \$373.00 filing fees— [now] expected to get paid their attorney fees. Plaintiff reminded attorney Clark that under Rule 41, Defendants are only entitled to filing fees. Plaintiff [again] advised attorney Clark he will bring the \$373.00 filing fees on Monday. The conversation ended.

On Monday, July 15, 2019, as agreed, Plaintiff met attorney Clark at his law offices, whereat Mr. Clark accepted, as settlement, the \$373.00 filing fees, at which time Mr. Clark signed a Receipt for Defendants' filing fees (for the amount of \$ 373.00). A copy of the Receipt and USPS Money Order (for the amount of \$ 373.00) is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit 5**.

As agreed upon between Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, and Plaintiff—at Plaintiff's earliest convenience—on July 16, 2019, after Judge Allf entered "the blue ink statistical case closure stamp" on Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, Plaintiff e-filed and e-served the (agreed to) Voluntary Dismissal. A copy of the [Court Approved] Voluntary Dismissal is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit 6**.9

Plaintiff holds that, even after the July 12, 2019 telephone conference and emails, between attorney Clark and Plaintiff—by accepting Defendants' filing fees, as agreed to between Defendants attorney and Plaintiff; and, as [also] agreed to, the filing of the Voluntary Dismissal at Plaintiff's earliest convenience— constituted a verbal agreement between the parties to a Voluntary Dismissal—accordingly closing Case No. A-18-776375-C.

⁸The blue ink statistical case closure stamp is evidenced on the caption page of Plaintiff's "Voluntary Dismissal." See EDCR, Rule 2.91, that states—

[&]quot;... any voluntary dismissal that is prepared pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(1) which resolves all pending claims and renders the case ripe for closure shall be delivered to the chambers of the assigned department prior to filing. An individual...will then affix the blue ink statistical case closure stamp to it, check the appropriate voluntary dismissal box on it...Thereafter, the document can be filed."

⁹Page 2, ¶ 14-15 of Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal clearly states—"...as of the filing and service of Plaintiffs Notice of Voluntary Dismissal...Defendants have not Answered to Plaintiffs First Amended Complaint." (emphasis added).

III. Defendants Failed to File Any Answer to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint:

In the D&O, Jude Bell states—

"...opposing party had already filed and served an answer on February 6, 2019 (notation added). D&O, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 18-19.

However, the Answer that Defendants filed and served on February 6, 2019, was the Answer [limited] to Plaintiff's initial Complaint. At no time has Defendants, or Judge Allf, or Judge Bell provided any citations, reference, information, or legal authority that limits "...an answer...," as stated under 41(a)(1)(A)(i), to the Answer to the initial Complaint. Even more so, neither the Nev. Sup. Ct., nor Nev. App. Ct. has issued any findings limiting "...an answer...," as stated under 41(a)(1)(A)(i), to the initial Complaint.

Obviously, Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, by requesting Plaintiff file his Voluntary Dismissal at Plaintiff's "...earliest convenience...," and by accepting the settlement amount of \$373.00 (calculated by attorney Clark), also held that Defendants *failure to Answer* to Plaintiff's FAC constituted Plaintiff's right (pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) & (C)) to file his Voluntary Dismissal. Defendants' change-of-mind, so as to attempt to recoup their attorney fees, is not grounds for granting Defendants Motion. Under 41(a)(1)(A)(i) the statement "...before the opposing party serves either an answer or a motion for summary judgment," is **completely void** of any wording requiring or limiting "...an answer..." to [specifically] the initial Complaint. The *stare decisis* of [both] the Nev. Sup. Ct., and Nev. App. Ct. hasn't wavered—an Amended Complaint is a distinct pleading that supersedes the original complaint, and requires a responsive pleading, e.g, an Answer. See *Randono v. Ballow*, 100 Nev. 142, 143, 676 P.2d 807, 808 (1984), wherein the Nev. Sup. Ct. agreed with the reasoning of a Arizona Court of Appeals decision.

The amended complaint in this case was a distinct pleading which superseded the original complaint...In a similar case, the court in *Campbell v. Deddens*, 518 P.2d 1012 (Ariz.Ct.App. 1974), ruled that where a complaint is amended in a material way...The court reasoned that the defendant's answer to the amended complaint constituted his first responsive pleading...even though the defendant had responded to the original complaint...We agree with the reasoning in *Campbell*. (emphasis added).

¹⁰Unless the court orders otherwise, any required response to an amended pleading must be made within the time remaining to respond to the original pleading or within 14 days after service of the amended pleading, whichever is later. NRCP, Rule 15(a)(3).

There have been no contradictions (by either the Nev. Sup. Ct., or Nev. App. Ct.) to the Courts' reasoning in *Campbell*.

Also see, McKnight Family, LLP v. Adept Mgmt., 310 P. 3d 555, 129 Nev. 610 (Nev. Sup. Ct., 2013)(The amended complaint superseded all claims for relief alleged in the original complaint.); Pacific Bell Telephone Co. v. Linkline Comm., Inc., 129 S.Ct. 1109, 172 L.Ed.2d 836 (U.S. 02/25/2009)(...an amended complaint supersedes the original complaint.).

Accordingly, Petitioner's reasoning mirrors Randono.

By court order, Plaintiff filed a "First Amended Complaint" ("FAC"), which was [so] materially and noticeably distinct from Plaintiff's initial Complaint, that Defendants' initial Answer had no relevance, pertinency, or applicability to Plaintiff's FAC—thus requiring a completely new [relevant] Answer.¹¹

However, Defendants never Answered [timely or otherwise] to Plaintiff's FAC. ¹² Defendants response to the FAC was to file "Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike." Consequently, as corroborated by Defendants attorney Brian P. Clark, allowing Plaintiff to file a Voluntary Dismissal pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i).

Because, as here, the filing of Plaintiff's [noticeably different and materially distinct] FAC [literally] made Plaintiff's initial Complaint as if it never existed, it is consequential that any Answer to the initial Complaint [also] had no legal affect—because the initial Answer was so materially different than what the Answer would be for the FAC, that it would also be treated as non-existent. See *Randono*, supra.

IV. Judge Allf Ignored The Filing of Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal:

See Kenneth Berberich v. Southern Highlands Comm. Assoc., 72689 (Nev. April 2018)(because Berberich's notice of voluntary dismissal...amounted to a final judgment, we conclude the district court erred by holding hearings on pending motions affecting the merits...)(emphasis added); Stubbs v. Strickland, 297 P.3d 326, 329 (2013)(The Nevada appellate

¹¹Plaintiff has presented this argument in his Petition for En Banc Reconsideration, now before the Nevada Supreme Court. No ruling has been reached as of the date of this filing (December 2, 2019). ¹²Id.

courts have ruled a Nev. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(i) voluntary dismissal is "effective upon filing...[i]t closes the file...and the court has no role to play. The court can not intervene or...affect the dismissal. [T]he action is terminated and the court is without further jurisdiction in the matter); A Rule 41(a)(1) dismissal is permanent. A voluntary dismissal cannot be set aside unless it was not the result of a "free, calculated, and deliberate" choice. (emphasis added).

V. <u>Judge Allf Abused Her Discretion By Ignoring The Filing of Plaintiff's Appeal:</u>

The Nev. Sup. Ct. has consistently explained that the appealability of an order or judgment depends on "what the order or judgment actually does, not what it is called." *Valley Bank of Nev. v. Ginsburg*, 110 Nev. 440, 445, 874 P.2d 729, 733 (1994) (emphasis omitted). Also see *Lee v. GNLV Corp.*, 116 Nev. 424, 426-27, 996 P.2d 416, 417-18 (2000); *Taylor v. Barringer*, 75 Nev. 409, 344 P.2d 676 (1959).

Consequently, on the grounds that the Order (Exhibit 3) literally dismissed every claim, allegation, and argument supporting Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint, and the fact that Judge Allf denied Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File a Second Amended Complaint, any further order(s) or judgment entered by Judge Allf would have been superfluous, unnecessary, and [may] confuse jurisdiction. Here, Judge Allf entered a final [and appealable] order of dismissal (see Exhibit 3).

Nevertheless, *assuming arguendo*, Plaintiff never filed a Voluntary Dismissal, certainly Plaintiff's appeal cannot be ignored. An Appeal that, with limited exceptions, divested Judge Allf's jurisdiction to continue holding hearings and entering orders pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C.

This is not Rocket Science. On August 30, 2019, at the time Plaintiff e-filed and e-served his Notice of Appeal, Judge Allf was divested of jurisdiction associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C— with the exception of matters collateral to, and independent from the appealed matters.

In Phillip Emerson v. the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada, 263 P.3d 224 (Nev. 10/06/2011) the Nevada Supreme Court held that the district court only retains jurisdiction to collateral matters that do not affect the merits of [the appellant's] appeal, after an appeal is filed. (emphasis added).

Also see *Mack-Manley v. Manley*, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529 (2006) (A timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction to revisit matters pending on appeal; but, the district court retains jurisdiction over "matters collateral to and independent from the appealed order.")(Once a notice of appeal is timely and properly filed, the district court is divested of jurisdiction to enter further orders granting relief on the same subject matter. (emphasis added); *Kantor v. Kantor*, 116 Nev. 886, 894-95, 8 P.3d 825, 830 (2000) (holding that, although a timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction and vests jurisdiction in this court, the district court had jurisdiction to award attorney fees while an appeal of the underlying divorce decree was pending because the "collateral matter did not affect the merits of [the appellant's] appeal").

Judge Allf *has failed to produce* any legal authority that authorizes her to retain jurisdiction, and continue holding hearings and entering orders pertaining to [the appealed case] Case No. A-18-776375-C.

By Judge Allf's continuation of holding hearings and issuing orders pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C, subsequent to Plaintiff's Notice of Appeal, constituted an extreme abuse of discretion and the appearance of extreme bias.

VI. No Remittitur Has Yet Issued:

Irrespective of Judge Allf belief that Plaintiff's Appeal was unjustified, untimely, or even premature; and regardless of the Nev. Sup. Ct. issuing a Order Dismissal [of Plaintiff's] Appeal, and a Denial of Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration— until such time the Nevada Supreme Court issues a Remittitur pertaining to Plaintiff's Appeal of Case No. A-18-776375-C, Judge Allf remains divested of jurisdiction of Case No. A-18-776375-C¹³ (with the exception of collateral matters that do not affect the merits of Plaintiff's [current] appeal No. 79545).

Accordingly, unless Judge Allf is supported by [any] legal authority that authorizes her to retain jurisdiction, and continue holding hearings and entering orders pertaining to [the appealed case] Case No. A-18-776375-C, until a Remittitur is issued, Judge Allf lacks any jurisdiction over

¹³Now pending in the Nevada Supreme Court is Plaintiff's Petition for En Banc Reconsideration, pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C (Appeal No. 79545).

Case No. A-18-776375-C (with the exception of collateral matters that do not affect the merits of Plaintiff's [current] appeal).

Accordingly, Judge Allf was without jurisdiction to consolidate Case No. A-18-776375-C with Case No. A-19-799140-C.

The purposes of the Remittitur is to: (1) divest the Appellate Court of jurisdiction and return jurisdiction to the court or agency whose decision was under review; (2) formally inform the court or agency whose decision was under review of the appellate court's final resolution of the appeal; and (3) in the case of an untimely appeal, remove or transfer the matter from the appellate court's docket and inform the court or agency whose decision was under review that the appellate court never obtained jurisdiction over the matter and that the court or agency was never divested of jurisdiction. *Dickerson v. State*, 114 Nev. 1084, 967 P.2d 1132 (1998). Also see *Branch Banking & Trust Company v. Douglas D. Gerrard, Esq.*, 134 Nev.Adv.Op. 106, No. 73848, Supreme Court of Nevada (December 27, 2018) citing *Dickerson*.

Remittitur is the process by which the Nevada Supreme Court terminates its jurisdiction over an Appeal. See generally NRAP 41(a). Unless the time is shortened or lengthened by order, or if a timely petition for rehearing (NRAP 40), or for En Banc reconsideration is filed (NRAP 40A), Remittitur will issue 25 days after the entry of judgment (NRAP 36). NRAP 41(a)(1).

Through issuance of the Remittitur, the Appellate Court terminates its own jurisdiction and re-vests jurisdiction in the District Court. See *Buffington v. State*, 110 Nev. 124, 126, 868 P.2d 643, 644 (1994) ("[T]he supreme court has control and supervision of an appealed matter from the filing of the notice of appeal until the issuance of the certificate of judgment."). The district court does not regain jurisdiction to act until remittitur is issued, transmitted and received. Id. (emphasis added).

Because no Remittitur has been issued regarding Plaintiff's [current] appeal of Case No. A-18-776375-C, with the exceptions cited *supra*, Judge Allf (and the District Courts) remain divested of jurisdiction pertaining to Case No. A-18-776375-C. Accordingly, any motions filed; any hearings held; and any orders issued or entered, affecting the merits of Case No. A-18-776375-C, are bootless

and invalid—therefore unenforceable.

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Conclusion:

Plaintiff doesn't pursue his claims of bias unconcernedly. Nor does Plaintiff bring his bias claim(s) in disrespect or retaliation for, or against Judge Allf. Plaintiff brought his bias complaint because it appears, base on Judge Allf's questionable decisions, there is an appearance of bias.

First there is Judge Allf's erroneous statement—

"The landlord is dismissed with prejudice. There's simply no cause of action against a landlord. If that were true, every strip center would be responsible for every person who slipped and fell in every store. It's just not a recognized cause of action under Nevada. December 5, 2018 Hearing, Pge. 26, ¶¶ 10-13.

However, as Plaintiff's initial Complaint evidences, Plaintiff did not name the Union Plaza Hotel as a Defendant as a "landlord," the Plaza was named as a consequence of its involvement with Defendant TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC's illegal telemarketing activities—for that, there is an abundance of supporting legal authority.

At the December 5, 2018 Hearing, Judge Allf [literally] granted every issue that Defendants wanted stricken from Plaintiff's initial Complaint—yet Judge Allf failed to make any reference to Plaintiff's arguments. A copy of the August 27, 2019 Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 3.

Then Judge Allf, after [first] approving Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, then struck Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, based upon Defendants Motion. However, as outlined, supra, Judge Allf obstructed Plaintiff's right to file an opposition to Defendants Motion.

Subsequently, Judge Allf, [again] granted each of Defendants' motions, including the dismissal of all claims. Followed by Judge Allf disregarding Plaintiff's appeal, and continuing to conduct hearings and issue orders, even though she was divested of jurisdiction to do so.

Then, Judge Allf, after she was divested of jurisdiction over Case No. A-18-776375-C, hence without legal authority, consolidated Case No. A-18-776375-C with Case No. A-19-799140-C (a new case brought by Plaintiff).

It is undeniable that Judge Allf has displayed a continuation of bias against this proper person Plaintiff. For all of the aforementioned, Judge Allf should be removed from Case No. A-18-776375-C and Case No. A-19-799140-C. DATED this 2nd day of December, 2019. Respectfully submitted, PAUL D.S. EDWARDS /s/ Paul D.S. Edwards Paul D.S. Edwards 713 Wheat Ridge Lane, Unit 203
Las Vegas, Nevada 89145
Landline Telephone: 702.341.1776
Cellular Telephone: 702.893.1776
Email: pauldse@pauldsedwards.com
Plaintiff, pro se -14-

CERTIFICATE OF E-SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on the 2nd day of December 2019, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules (NEFCR) & N.R.C.P., Rule 5(b)(4), I e-served a true and correct copy of the following document: 1. Objection to Decision and Order to the following: Brian P. Clark, CLARK MCCOURT bpc@clarkmccomi.com Chad F. Clement, MARQUIS AURBACH COFFING cclement@maclaw.com Plaintiff also caused a copy of this Objection to Decision and Order to be hand delivered to Department 27 and Department 7, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada. Designee for Plaintiff

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

PAUL D.S. EDWARDS,

CASE NO.: A-18-776375-C

Plaintiff.

DEPARTMENT 27

VS.

TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC, et al.

Defendant.

ORDER

COURT FINDS this case was commenced by the filing of a Complaint on June 19, 2018. Thereafter, the matter proceeded by the filing of a Notice of Removal to U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada, a Motion to Dismiss filed by Defendants, the filing of an Answer, the filing of an Amended Complaint, another Motion to Dismiss, and another Amended Complaint. The Motion to Dismiss was taken under advisement on or about June 29, 2019.

COURT FURTHER FINDS while that Motion to Dismiss was pending, the Plaintiff filed a Withdrawal of Second Amended Complaint, an Opposition to a Motion to Compel and then a Voluntary Dismissal on July 16, 2019.

COURT FURTHER FINDS thereafter, Defendant opposed the Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Complaint and a Countermotion to Continue Decision on Plaintiff's Motion until after the Court Issues its Order on Defendant's May 1, 2019 Motion.

THEREFORE, COURT ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- Defendant's Motion to Dismiss is granted in all respects. Defendant may submit to the Court Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in accordance with the relief requested in the Motion,
- 2. The Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and stricken from the Record,

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DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
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- 3. Defendant's Countermotion to Continue Decision on Plaintiff's Motion until after the Court issues its Order on Defendant's May 1, 2019 Motion is granted,
- 4. Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Complaint is denied as moot.
- 5. Defendant shall prepare the appropriate Orders.

DATED: August 52019

NANCY ALLF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on August 2, 2019, a copy of the foregoing was electronically served pursuant to N.E.F.C.R. Rule 9, to all registered parties in the Eighth Judicial District Court's Electronic Filing Program and by mail to:

Paul D.S. Edwards 713 Wheat Ridge Lane, Unit 203 Las Vegas, NV 89145

Karen Lawrence

Judicial Executive Assistant

EXHIBIT 2

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12	PAUL D. S. EDWARDS,	
13	Plaintiff,	Case No.: A-18-776375-C Dept. No.: XXVII
14	v.	Dept. No., AXVII
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1	ALTERNATIVE, FOR RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRCP 41(a)(2) was filed on August 27, 2019.
2	A copy of said Order is attached hereto.
3	DATED this 27 day of August, 2019.
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8	Las Vegas, NV 89128 Attorneys for Defendant
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15	FOR RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRCP 41(a)(2) on the following parties/individuals via the
16	court's mandatory electronic service provider, Odyssey.
17	Paul D.S. Edwards 713 Wheat ridge Lane, Unit 203
18	Las Vegas, NV 89145 Plaintiff in proper person.
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granted in part.

1	THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Defendant filed an Answer to the Complaint on
2	February 6, 2019.
3	THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff filed an Amended Complaint on April 17,
4	2019.
5	THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the filing of an answer prohibits the voluntary
6	dismissal of Plaintiff's action without a court order (NRCP 41).
7	THEREFORE,
8	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and
9	stricken from the court Record.
10	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the court will issue a Scheduling Order and Order
11	Setting Jury Trial based on the parties' Case Conference Reports and the NRCP 16 Conference
12	conducted by the court on April 24 2019.
13	DATED this 🚣 day of August, 2019.
14 15	DISTRICT COURT JUDGE Submitted by:
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16	Paul D.S. Edwards
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THE COURT FURTHER FINDS Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint seeks to bring several claims based on federal laws or regulations. The court's January 14, 2019 order did not permit amendment of the Plaintiff's Complaint to make claims for violations of federal laws or regulations.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff's original Complaint brought a claim for damages based on Plaintiff as an "elderly person", and that these claims were dismissed based on Plaintiff's failure to allege damages.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the First Amended Complaint merely alleges that "Plaintiff (at age 75+) contends he has suffered anguish as a consequence" of the telephone calls. (First Amended Complaint at paras. 37 and 38.)

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the mere allegation of "anguish" is insufficient to satisfy the requirement to plead sufficient facts to establish the right to relief. (Accord *Miller v. Jones* 114 Nev. 1291, 1299–300, 970 P.2d 571, 577 (1998).)

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that several claims in Plaintiff's original Complaint were dismissed as Plaintiff has no private right of action to enforce criminal penalties or to pursue privately the rights of the Nevada Attorney General or a county District Attorney.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff lacks standing to bring claims under NRS 598.0979 to 598.099 as these actions are only available to the Commissioner of Consumer Affairs (NRS 598.0913), the Director of the Department of Business and Industry (NRS 598.0927), a district attorney or the Attorney General. (NRS 598.0979 to 598.099.)

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff's original complaint alleged violations of NRS 707.910(2)-707.920, and that these claims were dismissed as Plaintiff did not oppose the motion and failed to allege any physical damage to Plaintiff's telephone lines. (January 14, 2019 Order at p. 2 lines 17-19, p. 3 lines 14-16, p. 4 lines 25-27.)

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint fails to allege any interference with Plaintiff's telephone lines, obstruction of the phone lines, the postponement of any transmission, or damages Plaintiff incurred for the non-existent interference as required for a claim for violation of NRS 707.910 through NRS 707.920.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint is so vague or ambiguous regarding the 56 allegations that are based on unidentified "directly or indirectly" actions (First Amended Complaint at paras. 1.a; 1.b; 1.c; 1.d; 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 46, 50, 82, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 118-122, 146, 147, 148, 149, 163) that Defendant cannot reasonably prepare a response.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the allegations are vague and/or ambiguous as the allegations fail to identify what actual activities were performed by the Defendant or by one of the unidentified co-conspirators, enterprises or others allegedly acting in concert.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint includes immaterial, impertinent and/or scandalous allegations.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that paragraph 10 of the First Amended Complaint alleges "This business license has been Revoked" has no evidentiary purpose and is immaterial, impertinent and/or scandalous and creates a false inference that the revocation was due to some impropriety and to taint Defendant with whomever reads the complaint, including the jury.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that paragraph 29 of the First Amended Complaint alleges that the Defendant and other unidentified and unnamed entities "earned, and continues to earn hundreds-of-thousands of dollars by engaging in, or causing the engaging in illegal unsolicited telemarketing and solicitation telephone calls" has no evidentiary purpose and is immaterial, impertinent and/or scandalous as an improper attempt to influence the trier of facts based on the monetary position of a party. Further, the reference to money, when combined with the allegation of illegal conduct, is intended to place Defendant in a false light and to improperly influence whomever reads the complaint, including the jury.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the hearsay allegations contained in paragraphs 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64, 68, 69, 82, 83, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 99, 100 of the First Amended Complaint are not plead as facts and are therefore immaterial, impertinent and/or scandalous.

1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion To Dismiss is granted in relation to all
2	claims for the violation of federal laws and regulations. The claims specifically dismissed are set
3	forth at: p. 2, line 28; paragraphs 5-6; paragraph 15 footnote 3; paragraph 21 footnote 7; paragraph
4	23 footnote 8; paragraph 36; paragraph 75(1)(v) footnote 26; paragraphs 107-108; paragraph 111
5	footnotes 53 and 54; paragraph 112; paragraphs 118-122; paragraph 125; paragraph 128; and
6	paragraphs 139-149.
7	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims based on NRS 598.0977 and NRS
8	599B.300 are dismissed.
9	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims in the First Amended Complaint
10	based on NRS 598.0973, providing for civil penalties "in any action brought pursuant to NRS
11	598.0979 to 598.099" are dismissed.
12	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims based on NRS 598.0979 to 598.099
13	are dismissed as these actions are only available to the Commissioner of Consumer Affairs (NRS
14	598.0913), the Director of the Department of Business and Industry (NRS 598.0927), a district
15	attorney or the Attorney General. (NRS 598.0979 to 598.099.)
16	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims based on violations of NRS
17	707.910(2)-707.920 are dismissed. This is the second dismissal of these claims.
18	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims based on NRS 599B.280 to 599B.290
19	are dismissed.
20	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims for conspiracy are dismissed.
21	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims for enterprise liability are dismissed.
22	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims for concert of action as alleged in 55
23	separate paragraphs of the First Amended Complaint ¹ are dismissed.
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27 28	First Amended Complaint at paras. 1.a; 1.b; 1.c, 1.d; 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 46, 50, 82, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 118-122, 146, 147, 148, 149, 163,

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1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant's Motion To Strike is granted as to the
2	hearsay allegations set forth in paragraphs 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64, 68, 69, 82, 83, 85, 86, 87,
3	88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 99, 100 of the First Amended Complaint.
4	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant's Motion To Strike is granted as to the
5	references to defense counsel set forth in paragraphs 82, 88, 89, 92, 95, 99 of the First Amended
6	Complaint.
7	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that monetary sanctions for Plaintiff's intentional improper
8	pleading and violation of this court's January 14, 2019 Order are held in abeyance until a proper
9	motion or show cause order has come before the court.
10	DATED this <u>Jb</u> day of August, 2019.
11	Nana L 1116
12	DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
13	Submitted by:
14	CLARK MCCOURT
15	Range Chie
16	Brian P. Clark Lukas B. McCourt
17	7371 Prairie Falcon Road, Suite 120 Las Vegas, NV 89128
18	Attorneys for Defendant
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EXHIBIT 4

 From:
 Paul D S Edwards

 To:
 "Brian Clark"

 Subjects
 PS: Edwards v. Tie

Subject: RE: Edwards v. Timeshare

Date: Friday, July 12, 2019 7:46:00 AM

OK...I don't believe they can get anything other than fees....

From: Brian Clark [mailto:bpc@clarkmccourt.com]

Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 7:46 AM **To:** Paul D S Edwards

Subject: Re: Edwards v. Timeshare

Paul,

We are going to need to discuss other options. My client wants me to pursue fees and costs on the dismissal.

Let's talk later this morning.

Brian

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From: Paul D S Edwards <pauldse@pauldsedwards.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2019 4:12:58 PM

To: Brian Clark

Subject: RE: Edwards v. Timeshare

Brian:

I'll bring a money order for \$373.00 to your office tomorrow. Just give me a receipt for the funds....If you're not there I'll leave it with the receptionist...Just have him/her give me receipt.

Paul

From: Brian Clark [mailto:bpc@clarkmccourt.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2019 3:40 PM

To: Paul D S Edwards

Subject: Edwards v. Timeshare

Mr. Edwards,

During our discovery dispute conference today you indicated that you intended to voluntarily dismiss the First Amended Complaint and to repay Defendants' filing fees of \$373.00. As there are current deadlines pending on (1) Defendant's motion to compel discovery, including a hearing date, and (2) Defendant's response/opposition to Plaintiff's motion for leave to amend provide me with Notice of Voluntary Dismissal at your earliest convenience to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing this issues.

Brian P. Clark



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The right of a voluntary dismissal is absolute— as long as it is filed before service of an answer or motion for summary judgment. NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i). A voluntary dismissal can occur even after significant activity has already taken place in the action, such as a motion to compel arbitration, a Rule 12 motion to dismiss (even with the court announcing its intended ruling), or a full evidentiary hearing and ruling on a motion for preliminary injunction. See *Miller v. Reddin*, 422 F.2d 1264, 1266 (9th Cir. 1970) (Rule 12 motion); *Hamilton v. Shearson Lehman American Express, Inc.*, 813 F.2d 1532, 1534–35 (9th Cir. 1987) (motion to compel arbitration); *American Soccer Co., Inc.* v. Score First Enters., 187 F.3d 1108, 1110–12 (9th Cir. 1999).

In the instant matter, Plaintiff, by order of this Court, filed his First Amended Complaint For Damages, Injunctive Relief, and, Demand for Trial by Jury on April 17, 2019 ("First Amended Complaint"). Defendants responded with a Motion to Strike for Plaintiff's Refusal to Comply with the Court's Order Granting Defendant's Motion for More Definite Statement ("Motion"). A decision by the Court is pending on Defendants Motion.

Nevertheless, as of the filing and service of Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal (July 12, 2019), Defendants have not Answered to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint. Nor have Defendants filed a motion for summary judgment, and no Counterclaim, Crossclaim, or Third-Party Claim has been filed in this action.

Pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(C), Plaintiff will reimburse Defendants' filing fees— Defendants counsel advised Plaintiff that the filing fees amount to \$373.00.1

DATED this 12th day of July 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

PAUL D.S. EDWARDS

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Rule 41(a)(1)(i) references only payment of the defendant's filing fees when filing a notice of dismissal; it says nothing about payment of other costs or attorney's fees.

CERTIFICATE OF E-SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on the 16th day of July 2019, pursuant to the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules (NEFCR) & N.R.C.P., Rule 5(b)(4), I e-filed and e-served a true and correct copy of the following document, Plaintiff's:

1. Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, Pursuant to Nevada Rules of Civil Procedures, Rule 41(a)

to the following:

Brian P. Clark at bpc@clarkmccourt.com

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Designee for Plaintiff

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Counter-Claimants,

vs.

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Counter-Defendant.

Defendants, by and through their attorney, Brian P. Clark, CLARK MCCOURT, and Joinder Defendants, by and through their attorney, Chad F. Clement, MARQUIS AURBACH COFFING, have filed "Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Objection to Decision and Order" ("Response").

Presumably the Response was prepared by, or at the direction of attorney Clark. And surmisedly, attorney Clark is the singular person that reviewed the Response, and subsequently approved the substance, wording, and [total] details within the Response. The previous sentence is noteworthy because Defendants Response is [intentionally] well-fed with falsehoods, prevarications, and hypocrisy, all set in-place to misdirect the Court; put Plaintiff in a bad-light; and separate the facts from the fallacies.

As in previous filings, Defendants, and attorney Clark, suggest, through disparagement and ad hominem attacks, that "Plaintiff has a history of filing frivolous documents, a history of repeated failures to follow court rules, and a history of violating court orders." Response, Pge. 1, ¶¶ 25-26.

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²CASH4ASKING, LLC, a/d/b/a CASH4ASKING, COM, and EDUARDO ROMAY HERNANDEZ, a/k/a EDUARDO L ROMAYHERNANDEZ, a/k/a EDUARDO ROMARY, a/k/a EDUARDO L. ROMAY HERNANDEZ, a/k/a HERNANDEZ EDUARDO ROMAY, a/k/a HERNANDEZ EDUARDO L ROMAY, a/k/a EDUARDO ROMAY, a/k/a MR EDUARDO L. ROMAY, and GLADYS C. RIONDA, a/k/a SUITO GLADYS RIONDA, a/k/a GLADYS C. RIONDA-SUITO, a/k/a GLADYS SUITO, a/k/a GLADYS RIONDA SUITO (collectively "Joinder Defendants").

Yet, other than hollow words, and the twists-of-facts put-forth in their filings, Defendants fail to provide any specific support for their *disparagements, castigations, and accusations* directed [specifically] at Plaintiff. Still, Plaintiff is not surprised by attorney Clark's *ad hominem* attacks, for, as Plaintiff has learned in the few cases involving Plaintiff and attorney Clark, that is attorney Clark's *Modus Operandi*.

Since 2003, Plaintiff has been well-aware of attorney Clark's propensity to distort the facts and sidestep the truth. As Plaintiff had advised attorney Clark, Mr. Clark holds the distinction as the [primary] reason why, since 2003, Plaintiff records all conversations and meetings— for Plaintiff has learned that the court will accept an attorneys accounting before considering a proper person's explanation. Recording of conferences and conversations is Plaintiff's (a proper person litigant) [only] means of keeping accurate, irrefutable records— rather than the least accurate means of written notations. Plaintiff's [record keeping] accuracy is crucial, [simply] because, as demonstrated over the many years Plaintiff has been litigating, judges will accept the justification of issues, conversations, and conferences (as accurate) from an attorney (an "officer of the court"), before any proper person litigant is believed— that reasoning is supported by Judge All's connotative bias in the instant law suit.

The last statement, *supra*, is supported by the *irrefutable fact* that at the December 12, 2018 hearing on "Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion for Evidentiary Hearing" ("MTD1"), Judge Allf (with the exception of the "...Motion for Evidentiary Hearing"), [literally] granted every other part of Defendants MTD1.

Even more so, and justifying Plaintiff's allegations of Judge Allf's bias, is the inarguable fact that Judge Allf totally disregarded every point of opposition presented by Plaintiff to Defendants MTD1. As previously put-forth by Plaintiff, when Judge Allf stated the following—

"The landlord is dismissed with prejudice. There's simply no cause of action against a landlord. If that were true, every strip center would be responsible for every person who slipped and fell in every store. It's just not a recognized cause of action under Nevada." December 5, 2018 Hearing, Pge. 26, ¶¶ 10-13—

in conjunction with ignoring Plaintiff's citation to *Sports Form v. LeRoy's Horse & Sports Place*, 108 Nev. 37, 40, 823 P.2d 901, 902 (1992)(citing *Cort v. Ash*, 422, U.S. 66, 78 (1975), Plaintiff knew there was not only an appearance of bias, but an issue of bias.

I.

In Cort, the Nevada Supreme Court, following the U.S. Supreme Court, held that—

In determining whether a private remedy is implicit in a statute not expressly providing one, several factors are relevant. First, is the plaintiff "one of the class for whose especial benefit the statue was enacted,"- that is, does the statute create a right in favor of the plaintiff? Second, is there any indication of legislative intent, explicit or implicit, either to create such a remedy or to deny one? Third, is it consistent with the underlying purposes of the legislative scheme to imply such a remedy for the plaintiff? Ash, 422 U.S. at 78. Plaintiff's initial Complaint, Pge. 19, ¶¶ 15-19.

As Plaintiff argued in his "Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion for Evidentiary Hearing" ("OPPO1"), and as Judge Allf [completely] ignored—simply because a Nevada statute is absent language providing for a "private remedy," such as those alleged against Defendants, a "private remedy" may [actually] be permitted.

Nevertheless, as evidenced by the record, Judge Allf accepted every argument presented by Defendants attorney, and **completely ignored** Plaintiff's counter-arguments. In other words—believe the attorney (an officer of the court), and **disregard the arguments put-forth by a proper** *person Plaintiff*.

A clear demonstration of implicit bias, or perhaps extrinsic bias, or perhaps both.

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

"LIAR, LIAR, PANTS ON FIRE":

A child's parity [perhaps], yet appropriate, and right-on-point.

Persons all over the United States know that simple rhyme. They say it when someone, such as Defendants and their attorney, get caught in a lie. In other words, when someone gets busted for lying. So, why do people lie? The reasoning behind lying is to create deception. Here, the overall reason for Plaintiff's opponents to lie is simple—because lying will manipulate the truth and reality, misdirect the courts, and [hopefully] put Plaintiff in a bad-light, thus benefitting Defendants and their counsels.

Plaintiff understands courts do not look-upon disparaging and contemptuous remarks against parties with favor. However, as pled herein, the term "liar" is appropriate. This is not a tit-for-tat—albeit Defendants and their counsel have not withheld from casting *disparaging*, *ad hominem*, *and contemptuous remarks* against Plaintiff, with no backlash from the court—this is presenting the facts, rather than Defendants' fallacies.

On the other hand, this Reply,³ in conjunction with Plaintiff's Objection to the Report and Order, is brought forth as a denunciation of the Court's [unequivocal] bias, and to debunk and substantiate Defendants and their counsels disingenuous veracity. Here, for [easy] reference, Plaintiff's Reply will follow the outline put forth in Defendants' Response. Consequently, by the juxtaposing of the pages from the Response with this Reply, the reader can readily determine the facts from the fallacies.

1. Response, Page 2 of 8:

(i) Not so much a lie, but prejudicially distorted. Defendants assert, albeit erroneously, that "Plaintiff refused to amend his deficient complaint, and threatened Defendant with a 3 day notice of intent to default if Defendant did not answer what remained of the dismissed complaint." ¶¶ 6-7. Factually, Plaintiff advised Defendants counsel, Brian P. Clark, that the language in Judge Allf's January 14, 2019 Order was ambiguous as to a time-line for Plaintiff to file an[y] Amended Complaint. The ambiguousness of the Order was underscored at a hearing (on April 3, 2019), conducted by Chief Judge, Linda Marie Bell, whereat Judge Bell stated the following—

Mr. Clark, I have a question for you. When the — it was not particularly clear to me from the order on the Motion to Dismiss. What, if anything, from the complaint, remains? ... the way the order was written was a little bit unusual, where the Motion to Dismiss was granted as to every claim, but certain claims, the order also provided for an opportunity to amend, which was just a little unusual to me. I mean, usually either doing one or the other. But in my reading of the order, every single thing was listed as dismissed with the opportunity to amend. So, I mean, I was just trying to ferret out whether there was anything... that was not subject to the... So, I mean, at least the way I read the order, as it stands right now, you have no claims unless you have chosen to file an amendment. I agree that the language of the order is a little bit unclear. But the problem that I have here is that, frankly, I found the order a little bit confusing. So I don't feel like I can hold it against Mr. Edwards that — I just don't. Because it was — it was just a little unusual the way that the order was drafted. (emphasis added).

³Reply to Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Objection to Decision and Order, and, Defendants' Cash4asking, LLC, Eduardo Romay Hernandez, and Gladys Rionda Suito Joinder to Defendants' Response to Plaintiff's Objection to Decision and Order ("Reply").

⁴ Transcript, Pge. 2, ¶¶ 19-21. The Transcript is part of the record and available for reference.

⁵Transcript, Pge. 3, ¶¶ 6-9. The Transcript is part of the record and available for reference.

⁶Transcript, Pge. 4, ¶¶ 5-9. The Transcript is part of the record and available for reference.

⁷Transcript, Pge. 7, ¶¶ 11-13. The Transcript is part of the record and available for reference.

⁸Transcript, Pge. 9, ¶¶ 20-21. The Transcript is part of the record and available for reference.

⁹Transcript, Pge. 14, ¶¶ 15-18. The Transcript is part of the record and available for reference.

 Fact. **Plaintiff never refused** to amend his complaint. Plaintiff explained to attorney Clark that, based upon the January 14, 2019 Order, and Plaintiff's understanding of what Judge Allf stated at the hearing, Plaintiff had until discovery was in progress before he was required to file an[y] amended complaint. That conclusion is given emphasis by the statements of Chief Judge Bell during the April 3, 2019 hearing before her. *Supra*.

Moreover, <u>Plaintiff never</u> "...threatened Defendant with a 3 day notice of intent to default if Defendant did not answer...". ¶¶ 6-7. Plaintiff [simply] advised attorney Clark that the Rules provided that a default judgment can be sought for a party refusing to timely answer to a complaint.

(ii) Defendants assert, even though [intentionally] distorted to put Plaintiff in a false light, that "...Plaintiff had filed a Second Amended Complaint and (falsely) alleged that the parties had stipulated that Plaintiff could file a motion to amend without leave of court." ¶¶ 20-22.

Factually, through research, Plaintiff found the case *DeChambeau v. Balkenbush*, 134 Nev. Adv. Opn. No 75, 431 P. 3d 359 (September 27, 2018). In *DeChambeau*, the Nevada Supreme Court asserted that a Case Conference Report ("CCR") is a stipulation to a discovery schedule. That, unless the terms of the CCR are changed, it is effectively a [stipulated] contract. Plaintiff construed the Court's findings to mean that the CCRs submitted by Plaintiff and Defendants (albeit separate CCRs) were, based upon *DeChambeau*, an agreement [a stipulation] to their contents.

Consequently, because each CCR contained the identical language that "Final date to file motions to amend pleadings or add parties (without a further court order): (not later than 90 days before close of discovery) Friday, March 27, 2020"— Plaintiff was permitted to file a Second Amended Complaint without first obtaining leave of the court. (emphasis added). Through emails and telephone conversations Plaintiff and attorney Clark discussed this issue, and albeit attorney Clark disagreed with Plaintiff's findings, Plaintiff never "...(falsely) alleged that the parties had stipulated that Plaintiff could file a motion to amend without leave of court." Plaintiff argued that the CCRs amounted to a stipulation pursuant to DeChambeau.

¹⁰"After the filing of the complaint and answer, the parties filed a joint case conference report in which they mutually stipulated to waive the requirement, otherwise contained in NRCP 16.1(a)(2)(B)..."

The following are emails between Plaintiff and Defendants attorney, Brian P. Clark, negating attorney Clark's [trumped up] claim that Plaintiff "...(falsely) alleged that the parties had stipulated that Plaintiff could file a motion to amend without leave of court."

June 5, 2019

Brian-

In reading (c)(2)(M), I read it as stating that the parties are precluded from filing any amended complaint after that date, that, in our CCR's is Friday, March 27, 2020. In other words, to file any amended complaint after March 27, requires a court order. And that's what you also have stated. I would prefer we stipulate to the 2nd amended complaint. However, I believe that even if you refuse to stipulate, I do not require leave of court to file it.

Paul

June 5, 2019

Paul,

I reviewed the documents you provided but don't believe they address the issue. Rule 16.1 (c) (2) (M) requires the parties, in the case conference report, to provide "a calendar date, not later than 90 days before the close of discovery beyond which the parties are precluded from filing motions to amend the pleadings or to add parties unless by court order." Under the Rule 16.1, when read in conjunction with NRCP 15(a)(2), you are required to file a motion to amend.

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June 6, 2019

Mr. Clark:

Albeit we filed separate reports, each report agrees (stipulates) to the finale date of March 27, 2020, for amending pleadings (amending a complaint) and/or adding parties, without leave of court. Or, to put it another way - any attempt to amend pleadings and/or add parties, after March 27, 2020, requires the filing of a motion for leave of the court to amend. My filing remains and will not be removed. Unless the court finds otherwise, the Defendants can do as they please, and I will take the appropriate action. Despite what you believe, I find the Nev,Sup.Ct's. opinion in DECHAMBEAU right-on-point, hence, if the court finds otherwise, I will file a writ with the Nev,Sup.Ct. for a determination based upon its findings in DECHAMBEAU.

20 June 6, 2019

Paul.

They are absolutely not a stipulation because we could not agree and files separate reports. Your filing of a second amended complaint, in violation of NRCP 15 and NRCP 16.1, as I set forth to you earlier, is a fugitive document. I must require that you remove the document from the court docket immediately. Failure to do so will result in court involvement to remedy your improper pleading. Additionally, none of the parties that I currently represent, or represented in relation to the original complaint, will respond to the second amended complaint.

June 6, 2019

Paul,

I reviewed the documents you provided but don't believe they address the issue. Rule 16.1 (c) (2) (M) requires the parties, in the case conference report, to provide "a calendar date, not later than 90 days before the close of discovery beyond which the parties are precluded from filing motions to amend the pleadings or to add parties unless by court order." Under the Rule 16.1, when read in conjunction with NRCP 15(a)(2), you are required to file a motion to amend.

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(iii) 1 One of the most egregious falsehoods and misrepresentations promulgated by Defendants and attorney Clark, is the following— 2 "Plaintiff, intentionally misrepresenting to the court that no answer had been filed in 3 the case...Contrary to Plaintiffs obfuscation that "Defendants have not Answered to Plaintiffs First Amended Complaint, Nor have Defendants filed a motion for 4 summary judgment, and no Counterclaim, Crossclaim, or Third-party Claim has been filed in this action..." Pge. 2 of 8, ¶¶ thru Pge. 3 of 8, ¶¶ 1-2. 5 However, Exhibit C,¹¹ attached to Defendants Response, evidences otherwise. 6 As Defendants Exhibit C evidences, Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal made it clear and 7 8 unequivocal that Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is solely based on Defendants failure to file an 9 Answer to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint ("FAC")— 10 "...as of the filing and service of Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal (July 15 12, 2019), Defendants have not Answered to Plaintiff's First Amended 11 Complaint Nor have Defendants filed a motion for summary judgement, and no Counterclaim, Crossclaim, or Third-Party Claim has been filed in this action." 12 (emphasis added). Defendants Exhibit C, Pge. 2, ¶¶ 14-17. 13 No reference is made in Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal to Defendants' Answer to Plaintiff's 14 initial Complaint, [simply] because—at the time Plaintiff filed his FAC, Plaintiff's initial Complaint 15 became moot. 16 The stare decisis of the Nevada Supreme Court hasn't wavered. An Amended Complaint is 17 a distinct pleading that supersedes the original complaint, and requires a responsive pleading, e.g., an Answer. ¹² See Randono v. Ballow, 100 Nev. 142, 143, 676 P.2d 807, 808 (1984), wherein the 18 Nevada Supreme Court agreed with the reasoning in a Arizona Court of Appeals decision. 19 The amended complaint in this case was a distinct pleading which superseded 20 the original complaint...In a similar case, the court in Campbell v. Deddens, 518 P.2d 1012 (Ariz.Ct.App. 1974), ruled that where a complaint is amended in a 21 material way...The court reasoned that the defendant's answer to the amended complaint constituted his first responsive pleading...even though the defendant 22 had responded to the original complaint...We agree with the reasoning in Campbell. (emphasis added). 23 There have been no contradictions to the Nevada Supreme Court's reasoning in *Campbell*. 24 25 ¹¹Plaintiff's "Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, Pursuant to Nevada Rules of Civil Procedures, Rule 26 4l(a)" ("Voluntary Dismissal"). 27

¹²Unless the court orders otherwise, <u>any required response to an amended pleading must be made</u> within the time remaining to respond to the original pleading or within 14 days after service of the

amended pleading, whichever is later. NRCP, Rule 15(a)(3). (emphasis added).

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Also see, McKnight Family, LLP v. Adept Mgmt., 310 P. 3d 555, 129 Nev. 610 (Nev. Sup. Ct., 2013)(The amended complaint superseded all claims for relief alleged in the original complaint.); Pacific Bell Telephone Co. v. Linkline Comm., Inc., 129 S.Ct. 1109, 172 L.Ed.2d 836 (U.S. 02/25/2009)(...an amended complaint supersedes the original complaint.).

Accordingly, Plaintiff's reasoning mirrors Randono.

2. Response, Page 3 of 8:

(i) Defendants state that—

"It appears that the court identified the jurisdictional defect in Plaintiffs July 16, 2019 Notice of Voluntary Dismissal (that Defendant Timeshare had filed and served an answer) and determined that the voluntary dismissal was not permitted by NRCP 4l(a). The court, sua sponte, issued an order on August 6, 2019 ordering that "The Plaintiffs Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and stricken from the Record." The August 6, 2019 order did not grant Defendant's Motion To Set Aside Plaintiff's Notice Of Voluntary Dismissal.

Again the veracity of Defendants, by and through their attorney Brian P. Clark, is questionable. The August 6, 2019 Order is absent any reference to an Answer, to either the initial Complaint or the FAC. Factually, the Order only states "The Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and stricken from the Record." No reason is provided.

Therefore, Plaintiff holds that the only [acceptable] reason for Judge Allf to issue her Order—to set aside and strike Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal—was a consequence of "Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, or in the Alternative, for Relief Pursuant to NRCP 41(a)(2)" ("Motion to Set Aside") filed on July 31, 2019.

Moreover, as Plaintiff has put-forth in previous filings and affidavits, as a consequence of Judge Allf's August 6, 2019 Order, Plaintiff was denied his due-process, because Judge Allf's [biased] Order **obstructed Plaintiff's right** to file an opposition to Defendant's Motion to Set Aside.

Again Defendants, by and through their attorney Brian P. Clark, make (ii) unsubstantiated, feigned, and fruitless accusations. In other words, Defendants and their counsel hope to mask the facts through prevarication.

While Defendants provide the fact that "On July 25, 2019, Plaintiff filed a second action, (Case No. A-19-799140-C) naming the parties dismissed from the initial Complaint (Case No. A-18-776375-C), and naming the Defendants in Plaintiffs Second Amended Complaint"—Defendants fail to provide factual information. See ¶¶ 4-6.

¹³See ¶ 7.

First, any information from Plaintiff's (short-lived) Second Amended Complaint ("SAC") is completely irrelevant, [simply] because the SAC was withdrawn and stricken from the record—consequently it's as if it never existed, and can not be referenced or cited to.

Second, Defendants and attorney Clark intentionally fail to include the [relevant] fact that Plaintiff did not file his new case (Case No. A-19-799140-C) until [after] Plaintiff filed his [court approved] Voluntary Dismissal (closing Case No. A-18-776375-C), yet before any other documents were filed, either by Defendants or the Court.

The factual assertion by Defendants, that Plaintiff wanted "to get a new judge," ¹³ corroborates Plaintiff's [early] concern regarding <u>Judge Allf's demonstrated bias in this litigation</u>. Factually, at the July 11, 2019 discovery dispute conference, at the law office of Brian P. Clark, Plaintiff expressed, to attorney Clark, **Plaintiff's concern with the expressed bias of Judge Allf against Plaintiff**. In other words. Plaintiff's allegations of Judge Allf's bias was not a spur-of-the-moment contriving.

(iii) Again Defendants claim falsely represents the facts—

"Mr. Edwards, in violation of NRCP 11, intentionally misrepresented in his notice of appeal that the entire case had been dismissed by the court's August 6, 2019 Order, calling it a "Final Judgment." Plaintiff made other misrepresentations to the Nevada Supreme Court in his September 23, 2019 Motion For Stay Pending A Decision On Plaintiffs Appeal, including the continued misrepresentations associated with Plaintiff's Notice Of Voluntary Dismissal." ¶¶ 20-25.

Factually, Plaintiff concluded, by the structure and phrasing of the August 6, 2019 order, that not only did Judge Allf [wrongly] strike Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal, but also dismissed all of Plaintiff's claims. Subsequently, when the four (4) Orders, filed and entered on August 27, 2019, were reviewed by Plaintiff, and Plaintiff corroborated that the dismissed and stricken items evidenced in Judge Allf's Order Granting Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike, with the corresponding paragraphs in Plaintiff's SAC, the irrefutable fact is that every claim; every allegation; public information; and various words and phrases were [either] stricken or dismissed— consequently leaving Plaintiff's FAC with nothing more than hollow, inconsequential, meaningless words and phrases. Words and phrases that are absent any structure of a claim.

The Nevada Supreme Court has consistently explained that the appealability of an order or judgment depends on "what the order...actually does, not what it is called." Valley Bank of Nev. v. Ginsburg, 110 Nev. 440, 445, 874 P.2d 729, 733 (1994) (emphasis omitted); Lee v. GNLV Corp., 116 Nev. 424, 426-27, 996 P.2d 416, 417-18 (2000); Taylor v. Barringer, 75 Nev. 409, 344 P.2d 676 (1959).

Hence, based upon the fact that granting the four (4) Orders (entered on August 27, 2019) [literally] dismissed every claim, allegation, and argument supporting Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint, and the fact that the lower court denied Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File a Second Amended Complaint, any further orders entered by Judge Allf would have been superfluous and unnecessary.

3. Response, Page 4 of 8:

(i) Defendants, by and through attorney Clark, then argue that—

"Prior to a ruling on the Motion For Stay, Plaintiffs appeal was dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. (Exhibit A. Order Dismissing Appeal, filed September 30, 2019). On or about October 9, 2019, Plaintiff filed a Petition For Rehearing. Rehearing was denied on November 7, 3 2019, based on the lack of jurisdiction. (Exhibit B.)" Pge. 3 of 8, ¶ 25 through Pge. 4 of 8, ¶ 1-3.

Albeit Defendants statements are true, they, through their attorney, [intentionally] omit pertinent facts.

First. Defendants and their attorney omit the fact that no Remittitur has been issued by the Nevada Supreme Court pertaining to Plaintiff's appeal of Case No. A-18-776375. Accordingly, from the date of Plaintiff's Notice of Appeal of Case No. A-18-776375, to the time a Remittitur is issued and received by the Court, Judge Allf, with limited exceptions, was divested of jurisdiction to hold any hearings and to enter any order associated with Case No. A-18-776375— specifically on those issues on appeal.

Perhaps more importantly is the fact that, albeit Plaintiff's appeal was dismissed and Plaintiff's Petition for Rehearing was denied, Plaintiff's Petition for En Banc Reconsideration is still pending. Consequently, jurisdiction [irrefutably] remains with the Nevada Supreme Court. Hence, from August 30, 2019, to now, Judge Allf has been, and remains divested of jurisdiction associated with Case No. A-18-776375.

In other words, with the exception of collateral matters, that do not affect issues on appeal, Judge Allf, beginning August 30, 2019, has been, and continues to be divested of jurisdiction associated with Case No. A-18-776375. Accordingly, any hearings held; any orders issued; and any orders entered, associated with Case No. A-18-776375, are *unjustifiable and spurious*.

However, should the Nevada Supreme Court deny Plaintiff's *Petition for En Banc Reconsideration*, Plaintiff has the option of seeking a Writ of Certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Whatever course is pursued by Plaintiff, the lower court remains divested of jurisdiction of Case No. A-18-776375 (with the exception of collateral matters that do not affect the merits of the case), until the Nevada Supreme Court issues its Remittitur. By their actions, it appears that Judge Allf and attorney Clark are unfamiliar with the appeals process as it applies to jurisdiction.

(ii) Again exhibiting her *bias* against this proper person Plaintiff, Judge Allf, based [solely] on the Nevada Supreme Court's issuing an Order Dismissing [Plaintiff's] Appeal, albeit a Remittitur was not yet issued, granted Defendants' motion to consolidate Plaintiff's [new] second action (Case No. A-19-799140-C), with the original action (Case No. A-18-776375). See ¶¶ 6-8.

However, the order dismissing Plaintiff's appeal, in-and-of-itself, <u>did not divest</u> the Nevada Supreme Court of its jurisdiction over Plaintiff's appeal. As Plaintiff has emphasized in previous filings, jurisdiction is not obtained by Judge Allf (the lower court) until such time the Nevada Supreme Courts issues a Remittitur and transfers jurisdiction back to the lower court.

Plaintiff doesn't understand what attorney Clark and Judge Allf do not comprehend about the issuance of a Remittitur. Therefore, Plaintiff provides the meaning, purpose for, and circumstances of a Remittitur:

Remittitur is the process by which the appellate court terminates its jurisdiction over an appeal or other proceedings before it. See generally NRAP 41(a).

The purposes of a Remittitur is to: (1) divest the appellate court of jurisdiction and return jurisdiction to the court or agency whose decision was under review; (2) formally inform the court or agency whose decision was under review of the appellate court's final resolution of the appeal; and (3) in the case of an untimely appeal, remove or transfer the matter from the appellate court's docket and inform the court or agency whose decision was under review that the appellate court never obtained jurisdiction over the matter and that the court or agency was never divested of jurisdiction. See *Dickerson v. State*, 114 Nev. 1084, 967 P.2d 1132 (1998).

Through [the] issuance of the Remittitur, Nevada's Supreme and Appellate Courts terminates its [own] jurisdiction, and re-vests jurisdiction in the District Court. See Buffington v. State, 110 Nev. 124, 126, 868 P.2d 643, 644 (1994) ("[T]he supreme court has control and supervision of an appealed matter from the filing of the notice of appeal until the issuance of the Remittitur. The District Court does not regain jurisdiction to act until remittitur is issued, transmitted and received. Id. At that time, the parties and/or the District Court may take such action that is directed by the appellate court. See id.

A Remittitur will not issue within the time prescribed by NRAP 41 under the following circumstances: <u>Timely filed petition for en banc reconsideration</u>. A party's timely filing of a petition for en banc reconsideration pursuant to NRAP 40A <u>will stay Remittitur until disposition of the petition</u>. NRAP 41(b)(1).

There is no ambiguity as to what a Remittitur is, and its purpose.

Therefore, albeit the Nevada Supreme Court never obtained jurisdiction over Plaintiff's appeal, a conclusion unknown until the Nevada Supreme Court issued its order stating so, Judge Allf, from the point-in-time Plaintiff filed his appeal, was [purportedly] divested of jurisdiction—consequently, Judge Allf could not conduct hearings, or issue orders associated with Case No. A-18-776375. All that being so, Judge Allf could not, and can not act on Case No. A-18-776375, including the consolidation of Case No. A-19-799140-C, with the original action, Case No. A-18-776375-C, until such time the Remittitur is issued and served upon the court.

(iii) Defendants, through attorney Clark, state that—

"The August 6, 2019, order issued by Judge Allf found that Defendants had filed an answer. (August 6, 2019 Order, at p. 1, lines 13-14.) As Defendant had answered Plaintiffs complaint, submitting to the court's jurisdiction, Plaintiff could not satisfy the requirements of NRCP 41(a) and dismiss his action without a court order. Accordingly, the August 6, 2019 order set aside Plaintiffs Voluntary Dismissal and struck the document from the court's records. (August 6, 2019 Order, at p.1, line 27.) Whether or not Plaintiff had the opportunity to file a written opposition to Defendant's motion to set aside the voluntary dismissal is a nullity as the court found the voluntary dismissal did not comply with NRCP 41(a) and was invalid. Relief from the August 27, 2019 order would be moot as the August 6, 2019 order would still be effective in setting aside the voluntary dismissal. ¶¶ 14-22.

Defendants, through attorney Clark, claim that "...As Defendant had answered Plaintiffs complaint, submitting to the court's jurisdiction, Plaintiff could not satisfy the requirements of NRCP 41(a) and dismiss his action without a court order."

First. Submitting to the "court's jurisdiction" is an asinine argument, as it is totally irrelevant to any Voluntary Dismissal, [merely] because a court can retain jurisdiction without the filing of an answer.

 Next, absent from Judge Allf's August 6, 2019 Order is any reference that Defendants Answered to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint—[solely] because Defendants failed to Answer to Plaintiff's FAC. The only reference in the August 6, 2019 Order is "The Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is hereby set aside and stricken from the Record." No reason is provided.

Therefore, the only valid reason for setting aside and striking Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal is a consequence of Defendants Motion to Strike. However, Judge Allf's [premature] August 6, 2019 order, **denied Plaintiff** the right to oppose Defendants Motion to Strike.

By court order, Plaintiff filed a "First Amended Complaint" ("FAC"), which was [so] materially and noticeably distinct from Plaintiff's initial complaint, that Defendants' initial Answer had no relevance, pertinency, or applicability to Plaintiff's FAC, thus requiring a completely new [relevant] Answer.

However, a new Answer was never filed. Defendants response to the FAC was to file "Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike."

Reiterating, no Answer was ever filed to Plaintiff's FAC. Consequently, allowing Plaintiff to file a Voluntary Dismissal pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i).

Because, as here, the filing of Plaintiff's [noticeably different and materially distinct] FAC [literally] made Plaintiff's initial Complaint as if it never existed, it is consequential that any Answer to the initial Complaint [also] had no legal affect—because the initial Answer was so materially different than what the Answer would be for the FAC, that it would also be treated as non-existent. See *Randono, supra*. See, *McKnight Family, LLP v. Adept Mgmt.*, 310 P. 3d 555, 129 Nev. 610 (Nev. Sup. Ct., 2013)(The amended complaint superseded all claims for relief alleged in the original complaint.); *Pacific Bell Telephone Co. v. Linkline Comm., Inc.*, 129 S.Ct. 1109, 172 L.Ed.2d 836 (U.S. 02/25/2009)(...an amended complaint supersedes the original complaint.).

Defendants, through attorney Clark, seem to hold that Plaintiff did not have the right, or authority, to oppose Defendants Motion to Strike, because in the August 6, 2019 Order "...the court found the voluntary dismissal did not comply with NRCP 41(a) and was invalid."

Again Defendants and their attorney falsify facts, and continue to put-forth untruths. There are no words in that Order that expresses "...the court found the voluntary dismissal did not comply with NRCP 41(a) and was invalid."

Moreover, the holding that "Relief from the August 27, 2019 order would be moot as the August 6, 2019 order would still be effective in setting aside the voluntary dismissal" is erroneous. Defendants do not present any fact or citation to support such an asinine position. Even more so, it is the later filing (August 27, 2019) that is the controlling filing.

Defendants and their attorney continue their *nonsensical*, *fallacious* arguments, by asserting that—

"Whether or not Plaintiff had the opportunity to file a written opposition to Defendant's motion to set aside the voluntary dismissal is a nullity as the court found the voluntary dismissal did not comply with NRCP 41(a) and was invalid." ¶¶ 19-21.

To reiterate. There is no wording, or phrasing, within the August 6, 2019 Order that provides [even a hint] that "...the court found the voluntary dismissal did not comply with NRCP 41(a) and was invalid." Hence, Plaintiff must have been provided the opportunity to file his opposition to Defendants Motion to Strike— and not, as Judge Allf did, obstruct and deny Plaintiff the [due-process] opportunity to file a opposition.

4. Response, Page 5 of 8:

(i) As established throughout this Reply, and Defendants' previous filings, Defendants attorney Clark has the [caustic] ability to present misleading and false facts, and questionable veracity, such as that presented by Mr. Clark in paragraphs 11-28.

Here, attorney Clark, in his normal course of preparing briefs for Defendants, has put-forth a [mendacious] counter-argument pertaining to his meeting with Plaintiff for a discovery conference.

A discovery conference requested by Plaintiff pursuant to EDCR, Rule 2.34.

As Plaintiff has stated in several previous filings, including those at the Nevada Supreme Court—

"It was attorney Clark that provide the information for the amount of filing fees due. Attorney Clark had [full] knowledge of Plaintiff's filing of a Voluntary Dismissal—[simply] because Plaintiff and attorney Clark discussed a Voluntary Dismissal at a meeting held at attorney Clark's law offices." ¹⁴

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¹⁴See *n.24* of "Declaration of Plaintiff Counter-Defendant Paul D.S. Edwards In Support of the Recusal/Disqualification Of Judge Nancy L. Allf, District Court Judge, Department 27, Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada Filed on October 28, 2019."

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With no need to go into the entire colloquy that took-place between Plaintiff and attorney Clark at the discovery conference that took place on July 11, 2019, the following is the [pertinent] dialog between Plaintiff and attorney Clark pertaining to Defendants filing fees:

Plaintiff: Do you know how much the filings fees are?

Attorney Clark: No...

Plaintiff: Is there any way you can check?

Attorney Clark: I should be able to look it up on Odyssey.

Plaintiff: Can you do that now?

Attorney Clark: Yeh. Give me a few minutes. I'll see if I can get the total

amount... (Mr. Clark left the conference room for several

minutes).

Attorney Clark: (Returning to the conference room) It's \$373.00.

Plaintiff: Are you sure.

Attorney Clark: Yeh.
Plaintiff: OK. I'll bring you a money order, either tomorrow, or within

the next 3 days.

Attorney Clark: OK...

In furtherance of Plaintiff's truthful facts, and attorney Clark's misrepresented and fallacious assertions, are Exhibits 4 & 5 attached to Plaintiff's Objection to Decision and Order ("Objection"), filed on December 2, 2019.

Moreover, Mr. Clark intentionally omits the fact that Plaintiff never opened the envelope that was mailed to Plaintiff, ¹⁵ that purportedly contained the United States Postal Services' Money Order, accepted by attorney Clark for Defendants' filing fees, ¹⁶ and that Plaintiff returned the unopened envelope to Mr. Clark.

5. Response, Page 6 of 8:

(i) In [yet] another desperate attempt to digress from reality, attorney Clark [first] claims that **he accepted reimbursement of Defendants filing fees** "without recourse," and by doing so, it evidences a "…lack of an agreement for Mr. Edwards to file a voluntary dismissal…."

¹⁵Mr. Clark signed for the filing fees money order on July 15, 2019 (see Exhibit 5 of Objection). However, the envelope, that Plaintiff never opened and purportedly contained the United States Postal Services' Money Order, accepted by attorney Clark for Defendants' filing fees (NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) & (C)), was not mailed to Plaintiff until August 16, 2019— more than a month from the date attorney Clark, accepted, as settlement, Defendants' filing fees.

¹⁶As mandated pursuant to NRCP, Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) & (C). See Exhibit 5 of Objection.

¹⁷Response, Pge. 5 of 8, ¶ 27

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Response, ¶¶ 22-25.

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¹⁸The entire email from attorney Clark to Plaintiff reads as follows:

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me [Mr. Clark] with Notice of Voluntary Dismissal at your earliest convenience to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing this issues"18 constituted a written agreement of Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal. (brackets and emphasis added). See Exhibit 4 of Plaintiff's Objection. (ii) First, Defendants, through attorney Clark, admit that "Mr. Edwards is correct, the "an answer" language of NRCP 4l(a) is not limited to a particular filing." Then, Defendants,

through attorney Clark, go into a garbled, nonsensical argument that Plaintiff has based his argument

on the procedure to amend pleadings. That the amendment of pleadings is addressed in NRCP 15.

However, if that asinine approach fails, then Mr. Clark goes to "Plan B"—interposing EDCR

7.50 (¶¶ 4-6). Despite attorney Clark's representation, that EDCR 7.50 estopped Plaintiff from

claiming an enforceable agreement, Plaintiff holds that, by the acceptance of the filing fees; the

subsequent filing of the Receipt for Filing Fees; and Mr. Clark's insistence that Plaintiff"...provide

Here is the irrefutable fact. Within NRCP, Rule 41, there are no words, sentences, or phrases that express "...before the opposing party serves... an answer..." or, that the "answer" is limited to the initial Complaint. Moreover, NRCP, Rule 41 is completely absent any reference to the word "Complaint."

It is "hornbook law" that an amended complaint (be it first, second, third, etc.), with limited exceptions, requires an answer. Even more so, it is established rule that, with limited exceptions, the failure to answer an amended complaint (be it first, second, or third, etc.), can, as with the initial complaint, result in a default judgment. Evidencing, just as the initial complaint, any subsequent amended complaint is treated as if it was the initial complaint.

During our discovery dispute conference today you indicated that you intended to voluntarily dismiss the First Amended Complaint and to repay Defendants' filing fees of \$373.00. As there are current deadlines pending on (1) Defendant's motion to compel discovery, including a hearing date, and (2) Defendant's response/opposition to Plaintiff's motion for leave to amend provide me with Notice of Voluntary Dismissal at your earliest convenience to avoid unnecessary time spent addressing this issues.

¹⁹Response, Pge. 6 of 8, ¶¶ 20-12.

6. Response, Page 7 of 8:

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(i) Defendants, through attorney Clark, present another [erroneous] argument

Plaintiff provides no legal authority that Defendant's February 6, 2019 answer is not "an answer" for purposes of NRCP 4l(a). Plaintiff provides no legal authority that NRCP 4l(a) is limited to "an answer for each version of a complaint filed by a Plaintiff." NRCP 41 (a) refers only to "an answer".[sic].

However, at no point in any of Plaintiff's filings has Plaintiff ever claimed that "...Defendant's February 6, 2019 answer is not "an answer" for purposes of NRCP 4l(a)."

What Plaintiff has maintained is that—in no place within NRCP, Rule 41, does it limit "an answer" to "an answer" to the initial complaint. That totally absent from Rule 41 is any restriction(s) that "an answer" is limited to the initial complaint.

As Plaintiff stated *supra*, the word "complaint," or words indicating the "initial complaint," does not appear anywhere within Rule 41, or in the Advisory Committee Note-2019 Amendment.

(ii) It appears attorney Clark requires schooling in the appeals process. Irregardless of the Nevada Supreme Court [eventually] finding [that] it did, or did not retain jurisdiction over Plaintiff's appeal is, at this point, irrelevant. As with any appeal, Plaintiff has several motions that can be submitted, including *cert*. to the U.S. Supreme Court—consequently, any, or all of those motions, until they are ruled upon, prevent the issuing of a Remittitur. And until the Remittitur is issued and served to the lower court, the Nevada Supreme Court retains jurisdiction.

Plaintiff suggest that attorney Clark familiarize himself with the entirety of Nevada Supreme Court Rules, Rule 41, rather than limit his tunnel-vision to NRAP, Rule 41(a)(1). In the instant matter, NRAP, Rule 41(b) is the controlling Rule at this point of Plaintiff's appeal.

(b) Stay of Remittitur.

(1) Petition for Rehearing or En Banc Reconsideration. The timely filing of a petition for rehearing or en banc reconsideration stays the remittitur until disposition of the petition, unless the court orders otherwise. If the petition is denied, the remittitur shall issue 25 days after entry of the order denying the petition, unless the time is shortened or enlarged by order. (emphasis added).

Here, Plaintiff has a *Petition for En Banc Reconsideration* pending. Consequently, until a Remittitur is entered by the Nevada Supreme Court, the District Courts, including Judge Allf, remains divested of jurisdiction to hold hearings, or enter orders associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C, including the consolidation of Case No. A-19-799140-C with Case No. A-18-776375-C.

Part of the issue is not whether the Nevada Supreme Court [actually] had jurisdiction, but the fact that, at the point Plaintiff filed his appeal Judge Allf was divested of the jurisdiction to conduct any hearings and issue any orders associated with any issues raised in Plaintiff's appeal.

There can not be concurrent jurisdiction between the lower courts and the Nevada Supreme Court. Thus, the necessity for issuing a Remittitur.

II. <u>Conclusion</u>:

The purpose of a Remittitur, aside from returning the record on appeal to the District Court, is twofold: (1) it divests the Nevada Supreme Court of jurisdiction over the appeal and returns jurisdiction to the District Court, and (2) it formally informs the District Court of the Nevada Supreme Court's final resolution of the appeal. See *Buffington v. State*, 110 Nev. 124, 126, 868 P.2d 643, 644 (1994) ("[j]urisdiction in an appeal is vested solely in the supreme court until the remittitur issues to the district court"). In the case of an untimely appeal, the primary purpose of the Remittitur is to remove, or transfer, to the District Court the matter from the Nevada Supreme Court's docket, and to inform the District Court that the Nevada Supreme Court never obtained jurisdiction over the appeal, and the District Court was never divested of jurisdiction.

Irregardless of the scenario, until the Nevada Supreme Court issues, and the District Court receives the Remittitur in Plaintiff's appeal, as of August 30, 2019 Judge Allf was divested of her jurisdiction to conduct hearings and issue orders associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C—including the consolidation of Case No. A-19-799140-C.

Moreover, the divesting of jurisdiction includes any issues, hearings, and orders that were brought before the Discovery Commissioner.

As previously asserted by Plaintiff, Plaintiff does not pursue his claims of bias unconcernedly. Nor does Plaintiff bring his bias claims in disrespect or retaliation for, or against Judge Allf. Plaintiff brings his bias complaint because it appears, based on Judge Allf's decisions, [that] there is not only an appearance of bias, but an implied bias. Plaintiff's allegations of bias do not arise from grudge, but from the acts of Judge Allf, that included, but not limited to, ignoring the fact that Judge Allf was divested of jurisdiction associated with Case No. A-18-776375-C from the

point Plaintiff filed his appeal. That albeit divested of jurisdiction, Judge Allf continued to hold hearings and issue orders associated with the issues (merits of the case) included in Plaintiff's appeal.

Another [irrefutable] example of Judge Allf's bias, is her granting, obviously without reviewing, "Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Motion for More Definite Statement and Motion to Strike" ("MTD") entered on August 27, 2019. As examples, in the MTD, Judge Allf signed the order granting the following:

ORDERED that all allegations, claims and causes of action against Stanley Mullis, Angel Mullis, Jonathan Jossel and Michael Pergolini are dismiss pursuant to NRCP 41(b) and that this dismissal operates as an adjudication on the merits pursuant to NRCP 41(b).

ORDERED that as the dismissal of Stanley Mullis, Angel Mullis, Jonathan Jossel and Michael Pergolini is pursuant to NRCP 41(b) and operates as an adjudication on the merits, there is no just reason for delay and the dismissal of these parties constitutes a final judgment pursuant to NRCP 54(b).

ORDERED that all allegations, claims and causes of action against Plaza Hotel & Casino, LLC are dismiss pursuant to NRCP 41(b) and that this dismissal operates as an adjudication on the merits pursuant to NRCP 41(b).

ORDERED that as the dismissal of Plaza Hotel & Casino, LLC is pursuant to NRCP 41(b) and operates as an adjudication on the merits, there is no just reason for delay and the dismissal of this party constitutes a final judgment pursuant to NRCP 54(b).

The issue here is that all those Defendants were dismissed in January 14, 2019, and not named as Defendants in Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint ("FAC"). Moreover, NRCP 41(b) is irrelevant to this case. Hence, because those [previously named] Defendants—Stanley Mullis, Angel Mullis, Jonathan Jossel, Michael Pergolini, and Plaza Hotel & Casino, LLC—were each dismissed on January 14, 2019, NRCP, Rule 41(b) has no association with them.

Another [irrefutable] example of Judge Allf's bias, is her granting of the following, also included in August 27, 2019 entry of order.

ORDERED that the Motion To Dismiss is granted in relation to all claims for the violation of federal laws and regulations. The claims specifically dismissed are set forth at: p. 2, line 28; paragraphs 5-6; paragraph 15 footnote 3; paragraph 21 footnote 7; paragraph 23 footnote 8; paragraph 36; paragraph 75(I)(v) footnote 26; paragraphs 107-108; paragraph 111 footnotes 53 and 54; paragraph 112; paragraphs 118-122; paragraph 125; paragraph 128; and paragraphs 139-149.

The first question is why Judge Allf would dismiss Plaintiff's claims of Defendants' federal violations? In preparing the MTD order, attorney Clark included the following as the basis for dismissing Plaintiff's federal claims—

COURT FURTHER FINDS Plaintiffs First Amended Complaint seeks to bring several claims based on federal laws or regulations. The court's January 14, 2019 order did not permit amendment of the Plaintiff's Complaint to make claims for violations of federal laws or regulations.

However, the January 14, 2019 order has no wording that would exclude Plaintiff from adding his federal claims to his FAC—it's an Amended Complaint. More importantly. Why would Judge Allf permit Defendants to create its own order dismissing everything they didn't like? It appears that Judge Allf has allowed Defendants to control this litigation.

Reviewing the entirety of the MTD order, prepared by attorney Clark, and approved by Judge Allf, the Order irrefutably evidences Judge Allf's [extreme] bias against this proper person Plaintiff.

Accordingly, for all of the aforementioned, Judge Allf should be removed from Case No. A-18-776375-C and Case No. A-19-799140-C.

DATED this 22nd day of December, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL D.S. EDWARDS

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Plaintiff, in proper person

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Other Civil Mat	ters	COURT MINUTES	October 16, 2019		
A-19-799140-C	Paul Edwards, vs. Timeshare Liq	, Plaintiff(s) uidators, LLC, Defendant(s)			
October 16, 2019	9:30 AM	Motion to Consolidate			
HEARD BY: A	llf, Nancy	COURTROOM: I	RJC Courtroom 03A		
COURT CLERK: Nicole McDevitt					
RECORDER:	Brynn White				
REPORTER:					
PARTIES PRESENT:	Clark, Brian P Clement, Chad F	Attorney Attorney			
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- Brian P. Clark, Esq. present for Timeshare Liquidators LLC. Chad F. Clement, Esq. and Alex Calaway, Esq. present for Cash4Asking LLC, Eduardo Hernandez, and Gladys C. Rionda.					
There being not opposition and for good cause appearing, COURT ORDERED, Defendants' Motion to Consolidate Cases (A776375 and A799140) GRANTED.					
FUTURE MINUTE PLACED IN LEAD CASE					

PRINT DATE: 10/23/2020 Page 1 of 1 Minutes Date: October 16, 2019

Certification of Copy and Transmittal of Record

State of Nevada County of Clark SS

Pursuant to the Supreme Court order dated September 3, 2020, I, Steven D. Grierson, the Clerk of the Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, State of Nevada, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of the complete trial court record for the case referenced below. The record comprises two volumes with pages numbered 1 through 374.

PAUL D.S. EDWARDS,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

TIMESHARE LIQUIDATORS, LLC dba TLC RESORT LIQUIDATORS dba TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB, LLC dba TLC RESORTS VACATION CLUB dba TLC RESORTS aka TLCRESORTS.COM dba TLC TRAVEL dba VIP TRAVEL dba VIP VACATIONS dba VIP INTERNATIONAL,

Defendant(s),

now on file and of record in this office.

Case No: A-18-799140-C

Consolidated with A-18-776375-C

Dept. No: XXVII

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 October 2020.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Amanda Hampton, Deputy Clerk