#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

NO.	82208

BETTY CHAN; and ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY A. Brown MANAGEMENT,

**Electronically Filed** Clerk of Supreme Court

Appellants,

VS.

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

Respondents.

### APPELLANTS' APPENDIX (Volume 5)

Appeal from

the Eighth Judicial District Court sitting in Clark County, Nevada

District Court Case No.: A-16-744109-C

District Court Judge: Hon. Eric Johnson

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4	10/31/2018	Memorandum of Costs and Disbursements	Appx000764- Appx000779
7	9/30/2020	Minute Order - all Pending Motions	Appx001428- Appx001429
1	2/27/2017	Minutes of 02/27/2017 hearing, Plaintiffs' Motion for Stay Pending ArbitrationDefendants' and Counterclaimants' Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and	Appx000151- Appx000152
3	8/22/2018	Minutes of 8/22/2018 Hearing as to Plaintiff's Reply in Support of Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration and Opposition/Motion	Appx000616- Appx000617
4	5/1/2019	Minutes re Motion to Stay Execution on OST, Partial Opposition to Plaintiff's Moiton to Stay Execution Pending Appeal (on an Ex	Appx000863- Appx000864
5	1/22/2020	Minutes re Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an	Appx001006- Appx001007
6	7/21/2020	Minutes, All Pending Motions	Appx001335- Appx001336

VOL	DATE	DOCKET TEXT/DESCRIPTION	BATES NOS
1	1/13/2017	Motion for Stay Pending Arbitration	Appx000061 - Appx000065
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1	7/18/2018	Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award	Appx000160- Appx000464
4	4/22/2019	Notice of Appeal	Appx000860
4	4/24/2019	Notice of Appearance	Appx000861- Appx000862
7	12/22/2020	Notice of Cross Appeal	Appx001503- Appx001504
4	9/18/2018	Notice of Entry of Order	Appx000695- Appx000701
4	3/22/2019	Notice of Entry of Order	Appx000823- Appx000831
7	11/23/2020	Notice of Entry of Order	Appx001465- Appx001475
1	4/3/2017	Notice of Entry of Order Granting Motion to Stay and Denying Motion for summary Judgment	Appx000155- Appx000159
5	3/10/2020	Notice of Entry of Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final	Appx001023- Appx001030

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4	5/1/2019	Notice of Entry of Order on Plaintiff's Motion to Stay Execution Pending Appeal	Appx000883- Appx000886
7	2/1/2021	Notice of Entry of Order on Plaintiff's Motion to Stay Execution Pending Appeal	Appx001520- Appx001530
6	8/12/2020	Notice of Production of Documents for In Camera Review	Appx001367- Appx001401
1	2/2/2017	Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for	Appx000066- Appx000121
3	8/6/2018	Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for	Appx000465- Appx000591
5	1/16/2020	Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order shortening Time) and Countermotion	Appx000953- Appx001005
3	9/18/2018	Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award	Appx000691- Appx000694
4	3/22/2019	Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs	
7	11/23/2020	Order Granting in Part Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, for Contractual Award of	Appx001456- Appx001464
1	3/30/2017	Order Granting Motion to Stay and Denying Motion to Dismiss and Motion for Summary Judgment	Appx000153- Appx000154
5	3/10/2020	Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final and Countermotion for Summary Judgment on Abuse of Process Claim	Appx001018- Appx001022

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4	5/1/2019	Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Stay Execution Pending Appeal	Appx000881- Appx000882
7	1/14/2021	Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Stay Execution Pending Appeal	Appx001507- Appx001515
1	2/14/2017	Plaintiff/Counterdefendants Reply to Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Opposition to	Appx000137- Appx000150
5	4/6/2020	Plaintiff's Amended Notice of Appeal	Appx001031-
7	12/8/2020	Plaintiff's Amended Notice of Appeal	Appx001481- Appx001483
4	1/7/2020	Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time)	Appx000892- Appx000952
7	12/8/2020	Plaintiff's Notice of Appeal	Appx001478- Appx001480
4	5/7/2019	Plaintiffs' Notice of Posting Supersedeas Bond	Appx000887- Appx000891
7	2/1/2021	Plaintiffs' Notice of Posting Supersedeas Bond	Appx001516- Appx001519
7	9/9/2020	Plaintiffs' Opposition to Defendants' Memorandum for Production of Invoices for Attorney's Fees and Costs and	Appx001404- Appx001414
5	7/8/2020	Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendant's Motion for summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, for Contractual Award of	Appx001097- Appx001235
4	10/25/2018	Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants Betty Chan and Asia American Realty & Property Management's Supplement to Plaintiffs	Appx000708- Appx000754
7	5/26/2021	Register of Actions	Appx001531- Appx001539
5	6/9/2020	Remittitur	Appx001090

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7	9/20/2020	Reply in Support of Memorandum for Production of Invoices for Attorney's Fees andCosts	Appx001415- Appx001425
6	7/13/2020	Reply in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the alternative, for Contractual Award of Attorney's Fees, for Writ of	Appx001236- Appx001332
3	8/15/2018	Reply in Support of Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Opposition/Motion to Strike Improper Countermotion	Appx000592- Appx000615
1	12/19/2016	Reply to Counterclaim	Appx000056- Appx000060
4	10/29/2018	Reply to Plaintiff/Counterdefendants Supplement to Plaintiffs Opposition to Defendants/Counterclaimants 91) First supplement to Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorneys Fees and (2) Supplement to First Supplement to Countermotion	Appx000755- Appx000761
3	9/12/2018	Supplement to First Supplement to Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for	Appx000674- Appx000690
1	2/7/2017	Supplement to Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment	Appx000126- Appx000131
5	6/9/2020	Supreme Court Clerk's Certificate, Judment Dismissing Appeal	Appx001085- Appx001089
3	8/22/2018	Transcript of Hearing: All Pending Motions	Appx000618- Appx000648
5	1/22/2020	Transcript of Hearing: All Pending Motions	Appx001008- Appx001017
6	7/21/2020	Transcript of Hearing: All Pending Motions	Appx001337- Appx001354
4	10/31/2018	Transcript of Hearing: Defendants and Counterclaimants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Esate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu's	Appx000780- Appx000815
4	4/17/2019	Transcript of Hearing: Defendants' Motion for Writ of Execution	Appx000834- Appx000859
4	5/1/2019	Transcript of Hearing: Motion to Stay Execution on OST, Partial Opposition to Plaintiff's Moiton to Stay Execution Pending	Appx000865- Appx000880
7	11/18/2020	Transcript of Hearing: Order/Case Status	Appx001453- Appx001455
4	10/17/2018	Transcript of Hearing: Plaintiffs' Motion to Extend Briefing on Order Shortening Time and continue Hearing Date	Appx000704- Appx000707

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7	12/9/2020		Appx001486- Appx001502
5	6/30/2020		Appx001091- Appx001096
7	9/30/2020		Appx001430- Appx001452

### **EXHIBIT 7**

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1 NOP(CIV) R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. 2 Nevada Bar No. 9807 FRIZELL LAW FIRM 3 400 N. Stephanie St., Suite 265 Henderson, Nevada 89014 4 Office (702) 657-6000 Facsimile (702) 657-0065 5 dfrizell@frizelllaw.com Attorney for Plaintiffs/ 6 Counter-Defendants 7 EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA** 8 BETTY CHAN and ASIAN CASE NO: A-16-744109-C 9 AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, DEPT NO: 20 10 Plaintiffs. 11 VS. 12 WAYNE WU; JUDITH SULLIVAN; NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP.; 13 JERRIN CHIU: and KB HOME SALES-NEVADA INC.; 14 Defendants. 15 16 PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF POSTING SUPERSEDEAS BOND 17 TO: The Court 18 TO: All Parties and their counsel of record 19 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to the Court's Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Stay 20 Execution Pending Appeal (filed May 1, 2019), Plaintiffs/Counter-Defendants BETTY CHAN and 21 ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT posted a supersedeas bond on 22 May 3, 2019 in the amount of \$33,533.75. True and correct copies of the cashier's check and 23 Court Clerk's official receipt are attached hereto as *Exhibit 1*. 24 DATED May 7, 2019. 25 FRIZELL LAW FIRM 26 /s/R. Duane Frízell By: 27 R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 9807 28 Attorneys for Plaintiffs/ Counter-Defendants

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1	<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>			
2	I her	reby certify that I am a citizen of the Unite	ed States and am employed in Clark County,	
3			of eighteen years and not a party to the within nie St., Suite 265, Henderson, Nevada 89014.	
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5	On <u>May 7, 2019</u> , I served the foregoing <b>PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF POSTING SUPERSEDEAS BOND</b> on interested party(ies) in this action, as follows:			
6			NICE M. MICHAELS, ESQ.	
7	THOMAS	S R. GROVER, ESQ. W	evada State Bar No. 6062 OOD SMITH HENNING & BERMAN, LLP	
8	KEITH D	D. ROTSONG, ESQ. La	181 Business Park Court, Suite 200 ns Vegas, Nevada 89128 torney for Defendant	
9 10	BLACKRO		B Home Sales-Nevada Inc.	
10	Attorneys	as, Nevada 89147 s for Defendants/Counterclaimants		
12		Vu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real orp., and Jerrin Chiu		
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14	By causing	a full, true and correct copy thereof to be	sent, together with any and all exhibits and	
15	other attach	nments, by the following indicated method	(s):	
16		by mailing in a sealed, first-class postage	e-prepaid envelope, addressed to the above	
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#### PURCHASER'S COPY OF CASHIER'S CHECK

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A division of Zions Bancorporation, N.A. Member FDIC

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US Dollars

The Order \*\*\*DISTRICT COURT\*\*\* NOTICE TO CUSTOMER: The purchase of a Surety Bond and/or execution of an Indemnity Agreement may be required before the check may be replaced or refunded in the event it is lost, misplaced or stolen.

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### OFFICIAL RECEIPT

#### District Court Clerk of the Court 200 Lewis Ave, 3rd Floor Las Vegas, NV 89101

Payor					
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Transaction Date

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On Behalf Of Asian American Realty & Property Management

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Betty Chan, Plaintiff(s) vs. Wayne Wu, Defendant(s)

Supersedeas Bond

Supersedeas Bond SUBTOTAL

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### **EXHIBIT 8**

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#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

BETTY CHAN; AND ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.

Appellants,

VS.

WAYNE WU; JUDITH SULLIVAN; NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP.; JERRIN CHIU; AND KB HOME SALES-NEVADA INC.,

Respondents.

No. 78666

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
BY S.Young
DEPUTY CLERK

#### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This is an appeal from a district court order granting a motion for summary judgment and awarding attorney fees and costs. Initial review of the docketing statement and documents before this court reveals a potential jurisdictional defect. It appears that the notice of appeal may have been prematurely filed after the filing of a timely tolling motion for reconsideration on April 1, 2019, but before that motion was formally resolved by the district court. See NRAP 4(a)(4), 4(a)(6); AA Primo Builders, LLC, v. Washington, 126 Nev. 578, 585, 245 P.3d 1190, 1195 (2010) (explaining when a post-judgment motion carries tolling effect).

Accordingly, appellants shall have 30 days from the date of this order to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. This court notes that any jurisdictional defect may be cured by providing this court with a copy of a written, file-stamped order resolving the April 1, 2019, motion. Respondents may file any reply within 14 days of service of appellants' response. Failure to demonstrate that this court has jurisdiction may result in the dismissal of this appeal.

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA

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The deadlines to file documents in this appeal are suspended pending further order of this court.

It is so ORDERED.

\_, C.J.

cc: Frizell Law Firm, PLLC Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman, LLP/Las Vegas Blackrock Legal, LLC

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### **EXHIBIT 9**

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Defendant by Stipulation, Motion, or Order in the District Court. In this connection, Plaintiffs-Appellants would respectfully show the Court as follows:

### I. Summary of the Response and Alternative Request

The subject motion Plaintiff filed in the District Court was, in form and substance, nothing more than a request for an extension of time to file a tolling motion; however, such time extensions were not allowed. Therefore, the deadline to appeal was not tolled, this appeal was not prematurely taken, and it should not be dismissed.

All the same, to resolve the potential jurisdictional defect identified in this Court's Order to Show Cause, Plaintiffs' counsel has conferred with Defendants-Respondents' attorney in an attempt to cure by stipulation. Thus far, Defendants' attorney has taken the position that the appeal is premature; however, to be fair, it appears that Defendants' attorney is still considering the matter. Thus, Plaintiffs alternatively seek additional time to cure any jurisdictional defect by stipulation, motion, or order in the District Court.

#### II. Background

1. On March 22, 2019, the District Court entered its Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorneys Fees and Costs. The notice of entry of that order was served and filed the same day. (See attached Exhibit 1 [hereinafter "Summary Judgment Order" or "MSJ Ord."]).

- 2. Prior to retaining new counsel,¹ on April 1, 2019, Plaintiffs filed their Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants' Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs. (See attached Exhibit 2 [hereinafter "Motion to Vacate/Extend Time" or "Mot. Vac./Extend Time"]).
- 3. Also on April 1, 2019, the District Court entered a Minute Order on a separate motion. In the Minute Order, the District Court explained: "[T]he Court finds that there is nothing pending in this litigation. The Court has granted Summary Judgment in favor of Defendants and dealt with all claims pending in this litigation." (See attached Exhibit 3 [hereinafter "Minute Order" or "Min. Ord."]).
- 4. Later, still without new counsel, on April 22, 2019, Plaintiffs filed their Notice of Appeal and Case Appeal Statement.
- 5. On November 14, 2019, this Court recently entered an Order to Show Cause ("Order to Show Cause" or "OSC"), in which it directed Plaintiffs-Appellants "to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs' previous counsel withdrew on March 21, 2019. (*See* Order Granting Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record (filed with separate notice of entry on Mar. 21, 2019)).

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#### III. Response to Order to Show Cause

A. Plaintiffs' Motion to Vacate/Extend Time Was, in Form and Substance, Nothing More than a Request for an Extension of Time to File a Tolling Motion; However, Such Time Extensions Were Not Allowed. Therefore, the Deadline to Appeal Was Not Tolled, this Appeal Was Not Prematurely Taken, and the Appeal Should Not be Dismissed.

In its Order to Show Cause, this Court identified "a potential jurisdictional defect." (OSC at p.1). In this regard, the Court explained: "It appears that the notice of appeal may have been prematurely filed after the filing of a timely tolling motion for reconsideration on April 1, 2019, but before that motion was formally resolved by the district court." (*Id.*).

NRAP 4(a)(4) tolls the time for the filing of an appeal if one or more of the following types of motions is timely filed with the district court: "(A) a motion for judgment under Rule 50(b); (B) a motion under Rule 52(b) to amend or make additional findings of fact; (C) a motion under Rule 59 to alter or amend the judgment; [or] (D) a motion for a new trial under Rule 59." A "motion to vacate" is not on that list *per se*; however, this Court has held that regardless of the label, if the motion is in substance one of those listed in NRAP 4(a)(4), then it will toll the time to appeal. *See AA Primo Builders, LLC, v. Washington*, 126 Nev. 578, 585, 245 P.3d 1190, 1195 (2010).

In order to be timely, a tolling motion must be filed no later than 28 days after the service of the written notice of entry. *See* NRCP 50(b) (motion for judgment); NRCP 52(b) (motion to amend or make additional findings); NRCP 59(b) (motion

for new trial); NRCP 59(e) (motion to alter or amend judgment). The 28-day deadline may not be extended. *See* NRCP 6(b)(2), 50(b), 52(b), 59(f).

In their *pro se* Motion to Reconsider, Plaintiffs sought only an extension of time to find a new attorney who could review the District Court's Summary Judgment Order and then file an actual motion for reconsideration. (Mot. Reconsider ¶ 4, at p.2). Plaintiffs requested two alternative means to achieve this end: (1) vacate the Summary Judgment Order for one month or (2) extend the time to file a motion for reconsideration. (*Id.*). Here are Plaintiffs' exact words:

... Plaintiff Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management respectfully requests this Court to vacate the entry of order so Plaintiff can have a month to locate an attorney to review before the entry of order as originally ordered by the Court. Or in the alternative Plaintiff is requesting the Court to grant a reconsideration of the Order and allow extension of reconsideration time ... so that [Plaintiffs'] can locate a replacement attorney and put this reconsideration on hold until then if the request is granted.

(Id.) (emphases added).

It is clear that, in substance and form, Plaintiffs' so-called Motion to Vacate/Extend Time as nothing more than a request an extension of time to file a tolling motion (motion for reconsideration). (*Id.*). Nevertheless, as shown above, no such time extensions are allowed. *See* NRCP 6(b)(2), 50(b), 52(b), 59(f). Plaintiffs' Motion to Vacate/Extend Time did not address the merits of the Summary Judgment Order. Subsequently, Plaintiffs never filed any motion for reconsideration or other tolling motion. Hence, Plaintiffs' Motion to Vacate/Extend

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Time did not toll the deadline to appeal, Plaintiffs' Notice of Appeal was not premature, and this appeal should not be dismissed.

> **B**. Alternatively, Plaintiffs Seek Additional Time to Cure Any Jurisdictional Defect by Stipulation, Motion, or Order.

This Court may allow Plaintiffs additional time to cure any jurisdictional defects. "A premature notice of appeal does not divest the district court of jurisdiction.... If ... a written order or judgment, or a written disposition of the lastremaining timely motion listed in Rule 4(a)(4), is entered before dismissal of the premature appeal, the notice of appeal shall be considered filed on the date of and after entry of the order, judgment or written disposition of the last-remaining timely motion." NRAP 4(a)(6).

The appeal was taken as a an "order[] confirming or denying confirmation of an [arbitration] award," NRS 38.247(1)(c), and as a "final judgment entered pursuant to [the Uniform Arbitration Act of 2000]," NRS 38.247(1)(f); see also NRAP 3A(b)(1). (See Docketing Statement Civil Appeals (filed Jun. 3, 2019)). Moreover, as explained by the District Court: "The Court has granted Summary Judgment in favor of Defendants and dealt with all claims pending in this litigation." (Min. Ord.).

To resolve the potential jurisdictional defect identified in this Court's Order to Show Cause, Plaintiffs' counsel has conferred with Defendants-Respondents' attorney in an attempt to cure by stipulation. (See emails between counsel (Nov.) 20, 2019 to Dec. 16, 2019) [attached hereto as **Exhibit 4**]). Thus far, Defendants'

attorney has taken the position that the Summary Judgment Order is not appealable; however, to be fair, it appears that Defendants' attorney is still considering the matter. (See id.).

In the event the Court determines that there is an actual jurisdictional defect, Plaintiffs are hereby requesting an additional 60 days (due to the holidays) to cure it by stipulation, motion, or order in the District Court. Plaintiff thus seek leave to that end.

### IV. Request for Relief

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs-Appellants BETTY CHAN ("Chan") and ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ("Asian American" or "Asian Am.") hereby request this Court as follows:

- A. not to dismiss this appeal;
- B. alternatively, to grant Plaintiffs-Appellants' Request for Leave and Additional Time to Cure Any Jurisdictional Defendant by Stipulation, Motion, or Order in the District Court, and allow them an additional 60 days (due to the holidays) to that end; and

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1	C. to grant Plaintiffs-Appe	ellants all such other and further relief to whic
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4	DATED: <u>December 16, 20</u>	<u>119</u> .
5		Respectfully submitted,
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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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2	I hereby certify pursuant to NRAP 25(c), that on <u>December 16, 2019</u> ,
3	served a true and correct copy of the forgoing PLAINTIFFS-APPELLANT, RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE—AND—ALTERNATIVE
4	REQUEST FOR LEAVE AND ADDITIONAL TIME TO CURE AN
5	JURISDICTIONAL DEFENDANT BY STIPULATION, MOTION, OR ORDER IN THE DISTRICT COURT, together with any and all exhibits and attachment
6	via the Supreme Court's Electronic Filing System to the following:
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### **EXHIBIT 10**

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### **Duane Frizell**

Duane Frizell From:

Monday, December 16, 2019 9:52 PM Sent:

Mike Olsen To:

RE: Chan v. Wu, et al. Subject:

2019-04-01 Minute Order.pdf Attachments:

### Hey Mike:

Here's an easier read: They Court's April 1, 2019 Minute Order (attached). In the Minute Order, the District Court explained: "Further, the Court finds that there is nothing pending in this litigation. The Court has granted Summary Judgment in favor of Defendants and dealt with all claims pending in this litigation."

Let me know.

--Duane



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From: Mike Olsen <Mike@blackrocklawyers.com> Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2019 10:40 AM To: Duane Frizell <dfrizell@frizelllaw.com>

Subject: RE: Chan v. Wu, et al.

#### Duane:

Since you have reviewed this much more recently than I have, could you please send me the transcript indicating a ruling on my client's counterclaims? I do not recall the judge addressing our counterclaims at all.

Mike

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To: Mike Olsen < Mike@blackrocklawyers.com >

Subject: RE: Chan v. Wu, et al.

Mike:

Hope you had a fantastic Thanksgiving.

So, I just want to make sure I understand – you are taking the position that the Court's Order on your MSJ does not resolve the counterclaims? Because, as I read the briefing and transcripts for the hearings on the MSJ, it looks to me that the Court was rendering a final order as to all claims between Plaintiff and your clients. Please let me know.

--Duane



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To: Duane Frizell < dfrizell@frizelllaw.com >

Subject: RE: Chan v. Wu, et al.

Duane:

Assuming a remand (which looks inevitable) my clients want me to go ahead and file an MSJ on our counterclaims. That should clear up any remaining issues and make the judgment final. There really are no issues of material fact with regard to my claims.

Mike

Michael A. Olsen, Esq.



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Subject: Chan v. Wu, et al.

Importance: High

Senor Olsen:

Que pasa?

I'm sure you've seen the S Ct's OSC. Pretty standard. (As you may recall, I did not file the notice of appeal.)

Without any authority, I am just floating an idea here: Would you be willing to stipulate that (1) the tolling motion is denied and (2) the judgment is certified as final as to your clients. I would think that you would want to reach finality on all that. So, I presuming that you would be fine with the idea, but what do I know? Obviously, my client would have to approve too.

Just let me know.

Thanks.

--Duane



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### DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Case No. A-16-744109-C

Dept. XX

### OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO FORMALLY RESOLVE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND TO CERTIFY JUDGMENT AS FINAL (ON AN <u>APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME</u>) **AND**

### **COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM**

COMES NOW WAYNE WU, JUDITH SULLIVAN, NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP. and JERRIN CHIU, (collectively "Defendants" or "Defendants/ Counterclaimants"), by and through their attorney of record, MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ. of the law firm of BLACKROCK LEGAL, LLC, and hereby bring this Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve

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Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time) (hereafter "Opposition"). This Opposition and Countermotion are based upon the pleadings papers on file herein, the following memorandum of points and authorities, and any oral argument that may be presented at the time of hearing.

# MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES BACKGROUND

The dispute in this case involved realtor commissions totaling \$13,795.32 which belonged to the procuring real estate agent, Wayne Wu (herein after "Wu"), for the sale of the property located at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138, APN # 137-34-119-012, (herein after "Subject Property"), to Jerrin Chiu on January 8, 2016. Betty Chan (herein after "Chan") asserted that she was the procuring agent and the commissions rightfully belonged to her. The matter was submitted to a GLVAR binding Arbitration Panel on April 17, 2018 as required by the Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual subscribed to by Realtors. The Panel found Wu to be the procuring agent of the sale and entitled to the commissions. However, the panel also allowed Chan to retain one quarter of the disputed commissions, a total of \$3,448.83.

Following that binding decision, Chan continued her litigious activities and sought to overturn the decision of the Arbitration Panel. This court found the arbitration binding on August 22, 2018 and signed the Order Denying the Motion to Vacate<sup>2</sup> on September 18, 2018. Not willing to take no for an answer, Chan again petitioned for this Court to overturn the arbitration award and again her request was struck down October 31, 2018 when the Court granted the Defendants' request for Summary Judgment and approved Defendants' request for Attorneys' fees and costs incurred in obtaining judicial confirmation of the Arbitration Award. The *Request* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exhibit "1" GLVAR Arbitration Award.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Exhibit "2" Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, Sep, 18, 2017.

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and Agreement to Arbitrate, signed by Chan on November 9, 2016, contained an agreement to pay "costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in obtaining such confirmation and enforcement" of the arbitration award.<sup>3</sup> Chan has continued to prevent collection of the arbitration award, thus attorney's fees and costs continue to accrue in pursuit of the award.

The Court entered the Order Granting Defendant's Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs (hereafter "Order") on March 22, 2019. The Order confirmed the Court's determination that Wu was the procuring cause as well as the validity of the Arbitration Award. Additionally, the Court awarded fees against Chan in the amount of \$22,435.00 as well as costs totaling \$920.83.4

Before the Defendants could execute on the commission held by GLVAR, Ms. Chan filed her *Notice of Appeal* on April 22, 2019. Prior to filing her *Notice of Appeal*, Ms. Chan also filed a Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendant Countermotion on April 1, 2019 (hereafter "Reconsideration Motion"). The Reconsideration Motion was never formally resolved by an order from this Court. This caused the Supreme Court to issue an *Order to Show Cause* on November 14, 2019 whereby Ms. Chan must show cause why the Supreme Court of Nevada has jurisdiction to hear her appeal.

The jurisdictional issue is still pending before the Supreme Court of Nevada and both Ms. Chan and Defendants have filed their replies to the *Order to Show Cause*. However, On January 7, 2020, Ms. Chan filed Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time) (hereafter "Motion"). This Motion seeks resolution of Ms. Chan's Reconsideration Motion as well as a

certification that the March 22, 2019 Order is final, pursuant to NRCP 54(b). What Ms. Chan fails to account for, is the fact that Defendants' still have an outstanding abuse of process claim. Ms. Chan will claim that the March 22, 2019 Order resolved all claims pending in this litigation, however her only evidence of this fact is a minute order which is not dispositive. The March 22, 2019 Order does not dispose of Defendants' counterclaim for abuse of process. Additionally, this Court lacks jurisdiction to hear a matter which is not collateral to the appeal.

### **LEGAL ARGUMENT**

### I. THE MARCH 22, 2019 ORDER DID NOT ADJUDICATE THE DEFENDANTS' COUNTERCLAIMS

Ms. Chan points to dicta in the April 1, 2019 Minute Order as proof that the district court determined that "there [was] nothing pending in this litigation." Minute orders and oral pronouncements, like the April 1, 2019 Minute Order are not dispositive and are ineffective for making any determination in a civil case. The Supreme Court of Nevada, in Div. of Child & Family Servs. V. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, examined whether oral pronouncements from the bench, clerk's minute orders and unfiled written orders have any dispositive effect on the outcome of case. This Court determined that "[b]efore the court reduces its decision to writing, signs it, and files it with the clerk, the nature of the judicial decision is impermanent." Therefore, "a court's oral pronouncement from the bench, the clerk's minute order, and even an unfiled written order are ineffective for any purpose." Therefore, the April 1, 2019 Minute Order cannot be relied upon as ruling on Respondents' counterclaims. There is no order resolving the abuse of process claim nor the declaratory relief claim and Ms. Chan cannot use

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See April 1, 2019 *Minute Order* attached as <u>Exhibit "4"</u> to Ms. Chan's *Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time)* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> <u>Div. of Child & Family Servs. v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court</u>, 120 Nev. 445, 451. 92 P.3d 1239, 1243 (2004).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Id., internal quotations omitted, emphasis added.

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the minute order to show otherwise. The March 22, 2019 Order does not dispose of the counterclaims, and therefore, it operates as an order granting partial summary judgment. The Supreme Court of Nevada in Lee v. GNLV Corp. states that they determine "the finality of an order or judgment by looking to what the order or judgment actually does, not what it is called."8 Thus, courts examine the effect of an order, not by what it is titled or what the court says in a minute order, but by the effect of the order. Since the March 22, 2019 Order does not adjudicate the Defendants' counterclaims, it cannot be a final order. Ms. Chan is scrambling to keep her appeal afloat when she knows that she has acted inappropriately. This Court should not certify that the March 22, 2019 Order is final pursuant to NRCP 54(b) because there has never been a formal order resolving Defendants' counterclaims.

Defendants filed their Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment and for Attorney Fees on August 6, 2018 pursuant to NRS 38.239. The action confirming the arbitration award, as Wu as the procuring cause, was a separate action from the district court action filed by Ms. Chan. Once the district court confirmed the arbitration award, the judgment was final as to the award's sufficiency. The issue then became whether the result of arbitration rendered the declaratory action Ms. Chan filed in district court moot as there was no longer a need for declaratory relief. It was in the district court case whereby Defendants asserted their counterclaims against Ms. Chan. The result of the binding arbitration wiped out Ms. Chan's claims in the district court case, but did not nullify the abuse of process claim initiated by Defendants. This is an important distinction, as it shows that the order confirming the arbitration award is final, as to that claim, but the entire case, itself, was not disposed of by

<sup>8</sup> Lee v. GNLV Corp., 116 Nev. 424, 428, 996 P.2d 416. 418 (Nev. 2000), citing Valley Bank of Nevada v. Ginsburg, 110 Nev. 440, 445, 874 P.2d 729, 733 (1994), internal quotations omitted.

that order. Not only have the counterclaims not been resolved, but this Court lacks jurisdiction to entertain Ms. Chan's Motion altogether.

### II. THIS COURT LACKS JURISDICTION TO RULE ON THE RECONSIDERATION MOTION

While an appeal is pending before the Nevada Supreme Court, the District Court is typically "divested of jurisdiction to revisit issues that are pending" before the Nevada Supreme Court. In fact, the Supreme Court of Nevada has "repeatedly held that the timely filing of a notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction to act and vests jurisdiction in this court." It is clear Nevada Law, that a timely filed notice of appeal divests the District Court of jurisdiction, except to hear matters via the procedure outlined in <u>Huneycutt v. Huneycutt</u> or collateral matters. Ms. Chan, however, cites to NRAP 4(a)(6) as a basis for allowing this Court to revisit the Reconsideration Motion and enter an order resolving it. Ms. Chan misunderstands the thrust of NRAP 4(a)(6). The full text of NRAP 4(a)(6) is as follows:

[a] premature notice of appeal does not divest the district court of jurisdiction. The court may dismiss as premature a notice of appeal filed after the oral pronouncement of a decision or order but before entry of the written judgment or order, or before entry of the written disposition of the last-remaining timely motion listed in Rule 4(a)(4). If, however, a written order or judgment, or a written disposition of the last-remaining timely motion listed in Rule 4(a)(4), is entered before dismissal of the premature appeal, the notice of appeal shall be considered filed on the date of and after entry of the order, judgment or written disposition of the last-remaining timely motion.

NRAP 4(a)(6) states that the District Court can enter an order, but it does not allow the District Court to entertain motions regarding issues already appealed to the Supreme Court of Nevada. What Ms. Chan is requesting is the modification, by way of NRCP 54(b) certification, of an order already pending before the Supreme Court of Nevada. She also has asked this Court to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Mack-Manley v. Manley, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529 (2006).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> <u>Foster v. Dingwall</u>, 126 Nev. 49, 228 P.3d 453 (2010), citing to <u>Mack-Manley v. Manley</u>, 122 Nev. 849,138 P.3d 525 (2006), internal quotations omitted.

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reconsider an order timely appealed to the Supreme Court of Nevada. This Court simply does not have jurisdiction to make decisions which would directly impact the merits of an appeal.

Ms. Chan's Reconsideration Motion specifically asks this Court to "vacate the entry of order." Such a request relates directly to the appeal pending before the Supreme Court of Nevada. It is explicitly asking this Court to vacate the order appealed to the Supreme Court of Nevada. Pursuant to Huneycutt v. Huneycutt, this Court can certify its intent to grant a motion that is not collateral, but it cannot rule on such a motion. Under Huneycutt, and later clarified by Foster v. Dingwall, a party may file a motion for limited remand if they believe "a basis exists to alter, vacate, or otherwise modify or change an order or judgment challenged on appeal" in the Nevada Supreme Court. 12 The District Court only has jurisdiction "on matters that are collateral to and independent from the appealed order, i.e., matters that in no way affect the appeal's merits."<sup>13</sup> This matter was appealed in a timely manner pursuant to NRAP 4(a)(1) since it was filed 30 days after notice of entry of the March 22, 2019 Order. Currently, until the Supreme Court rules otherwise, this appeal was timely filed and therefore, perfected. Since the appeal was timely filed, and the present Motion involves matters directly related to the merits of the appeal, this court lacks jurisdiction to do anything other than certify its intent to grant the motion, pursuant to Huneycutt and Foster. If the District Court is inclined to grant the Motion, "then it may certify its intent to do so," but it cannot grant a Motion addressing matter directly related to the appeal. 14 Until the Supreme Court of Nevada rules on the question of jurisdiction, this Court

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See Ms. Chan's Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants Counter Motion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs filed on April 1, 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Foster v. Dingwall, 126 Nev. 49, 52, 228 P.3d 453, 455 (2010).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Mack-Manley v. Manley, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529-30 (2006).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Foster v. Dingwall, 126 Nev. 49, 52, 228 P.3d 453, 455 (2010).

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Pursuant to NRAP 4(a)(6), this Court has jurisdiction to enter orders for matters that it has already decided, but not for motions that are still pending and have not had a hearing on the merits. Defendants never had a chance to file an opposition to Ms. Chan's Reconsideration Motion, nor did the Court entertain any argument or make any decision regarding the request. Moreover, the Reconsideration Motion was not properly served and Defendants did not receive proper notice. Ms. Chan cannot now, after realizing her appeal has some jurisdictional problems, file a request with the District Court to resolve a motion for reconsideration which directly addresses the merits on appeal. The March 22, 2019 Order confirms the order confirming the arbitration award. Ms. Chan's appeal is challenging the confirmation of the arbitration award. There is no conceivable way in which Ms. Chan's Reconsideration Motion could be considered collateral, thus allowing this Court to rule on it. The issues are the same. The order is the one on appeal. The District Court does not have jurisdiction. NRAP 4(a)(6) does not provide this Court with jurisdiction to hear new motions on dispositive issues after an appeal has been timely filed. Instead, NRAP 4(a)(6)

### COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM **OVERVIEW**

Should this court determine it has jurisdiction to hear Ms. Chan's *Plaintiffs' Motion to* Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time) then Defendants request that this Court issue a ruling for summary judgment on their counterclaim of abuse of process. Ms. Chan initiated this lawsuit not because she has a good faith claim to the commission on the sale, through this Court, but for the ulterior purpose of extorting Counterclaimant into sharing a portion, or all of his commission,

with Plaintiffs solely to avoid incurring the legal fees and costs of defending this frivolous lawsuit. Her claim also violates her ethical responsibility as a member of the Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors (hereafter "GLVAR") requiring that any and all legitimate disputes regarding commissions be handled by way of arbitration before the GLVAR. Her sole purpose in initiating this lawsuit was to harass, abuse process and unnecessarily drive up the cost of litigation.

### **STANDARD OF REVIEW**

A party is entitled to summary judgment when there are no genuine issues of material fact in dispute and the moving party is entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law. <sup>15</sup> In Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 P.3d 1026 (2005), the Nevada Supreme Court stated that a factual dispute is "genuine" when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the nonmoving party. <sup>16</sup> Once the moving party has shown that there is no genuine dispute as to material facts, the burden shifts to the nonmoving party to set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against that party. <sup>17</sup> In meeting this burden, the nonmoving party, "is not entitled to build a case on the gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation and conjecture." <sup>18</sup>

### STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACT

- 1. On November 2, 2015, Dr. Jerrin Chiu emailed Ms. Chan expressing an interest in searching for a home to purchase while his parents were in town visiting in late December 2015.
- 2. Ms. Chan failed to respond to Defendants' requests to see houses on December 31, 2015. Ms. Chan was aware that Dr. Chiu and his parents had a tight window in which to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> NRCP 56.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See also NRCP 56.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> NGA #2, LLC v. Rains, 113 Nev. 1151, 1156, 946 P.2d 163, 166 (1997).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Collins v. Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983) (citations omitted).

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purchase a home, so when she failed to return their calls, they assumed that she had abandoned them.

- 3. Though Ms, Chan showed Dr. Chiu and his parents several homes, she did not show them the home they ended up purchasing.
- 4. While waiting for Chan to return their call, Dr. Chiu and his parents, without the assistance of any broker, met with a KB Home representative and were informed that if they did not make a deposit towards a lot before the end of the day, they would be subject to the development-wide price increase of \$3,000.00.
- 5. Dr. Chiu and his parents ended up purchasing a home with the assistance of Wayne Wu.
- 6. There was never any written or verbal agreement setting forth the terms of any agreement between the Ms. Chan and Defendants.
- 7. Wu is the only realtor listed on the closing documents and is listed as the realtor of record and was the agent who did all of the work in procuring and closing the sale of the home.
- 8. Ms. Chan is a member of the GLVAR which requires that any and all legitimate disputes regarding commissions be handled by way of arbitration before the GLVAR.
- 9. Chan fraudulently represented to Dr. Chiu and to First American Title Company that she possessed a broker registration card identifying her as Dr. Chiu's agent without being able to produce any such document upon challenge. 19
- 10. On September 27, 2016, Ms. Chan, filed a *Complaint* in the Eighth Judicial District Court, prior to submitting the matter to GLVAR for mediation and possible arbitration as

<sup>19</sup> See Exhibit "5"; Exhibit "6".

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required by rule. 20 She sued Wu, Nevada Real Estate Corp. (the real estate company where Wu works), Judith Sullivan (designated Realtor® and officer of Nevada Real Estate Corp.), Dr. Chiu (the buyer), and KB Homes (the property developer/seller).

- 11. Ms. Chan signed an Agreement to Arbitrate, attached as Exhibit "3". In the Agreement to Arbitrate, Ms. Chan agreed to abide by the arbitration award as well as paying attorney's fees incurred in seeking district court confirmation of the award should she challenge it. 21
- 12. The parties attended arbitration on April 17, 2018, wherein the GLVAR Arbitration Panel found Wu to be the procuring agent of the sale and entitled to the commissions. However, the panel also allowed Chan to retain one quarter of the disputed commissions, a total of \$3,448.83. <sup>22</sup>
- 13. On July 2, 2018, Ms. Chan filed her Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, which was followed by Defendants' Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Case, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney's Fees on August 8, 2018.
- 14. This Court entered an order on September 18, 2018 denying Ms. Chan's *Motion* to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and subsequently entered an order granting Defendants' Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney's Fees and Costs on March 22, 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Arbitration Manual, Article 17, page 13 ("Realtors shall submit the dispute to arbitration in accordance with the policies of the Board rather than litigate the matter."); Part Ten – Arbitration of Disputes, Section 53(a) The Award, page 150 ("The award shall be in writing and signed by the arbitrators or a majority of them, shall state only the amount of the award, and, when so signed and transmitted to each of the parties, shall be valid and binding and shall not be subject to review or appeal.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> See Exhibit "3".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Exhibit "1" GLVAR Arbitration Award.

	15.	Ms. Chan, unwilling to abide by a binding decision issued by the GLVAR, to
which	she agr	eed, and the District Court's ruling confirming the arbitration award, filed her
Notice	of App	eal on April 22, 2019.

- 16. During this entire process, Ms. Chan has been represented by five different law firms and has refused offers at settlement made privately and through the settlement conference required by the Supreme Court of Nevada.
- 17. Ms. Chan has stated that her only desire was to punish Defendants for what she perceives as misconduct. In an email, Ms. Chan stated the following:

Honestly from day one i met you my focus is not the commission, i felt insulted and humiliated, <u>another agent dared challenge me</u> and he really do not know who I am. I have been really sad more than i am angry. Last night i read many court cases. Even though <u>my card has disappeared</u>, it wont hurt me winning. I liked to teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen <u>i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use</u>. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, <u>then I will be very happy to play their game</u>. I got my direction last nite, so i felt peaceful now. All i need KB to understand I don't hate kb for this, and i need them to <u>work with me on my plan</u>. Jana, i dont blame you either and take care of yourself.<sup>23</sup>

18. Ms. Chan has caused Defendants to incur thousands in attorney's fees due to her unwillingness to settle this matter or concede the validity of the GLVAR arbitration award.

### LEGAL ARGUMENT

### I. MS. CHAN HAS ACTED VEXATIOUSLY AND WITH THE INTENT OF HARASSING DEFENDANTS AND INCREASING THE COST OF LITIGATION

Ms. Chan's conduct and her own admissions have demonstrated that she did not initiate the lawsuit in good faith, but rather to harass defendants and punish them. To establish a valid claim for abuse of process, one must establish "(1) an ulterior purpose [...] other than resolving a legal dispute, and (2) a willful act in the use of the legal process not proper in the regular conduct

<sup>23</sup> Exhibit "7".

of the proceeding."<sup>24</sup> To successfully obtain motion for summary judgment on an abuse of process claim, the moving party must "present specific facts that [the nonmoving party] had an ulterior purpose in the underlying lawsuit, other than resolving [their] legal dispute [...] and improperly used the legal process to accomplish that purpose."<sup>25</sup>

Ms. Chan has already admitted that she has an ulterior motive for filing her lawsuit. In her email, attached as **Exhibit "7"** she states that she "felt insulted and humiliated, **another agent dared challenge me** and he really do not know who I am."<sup>26</sup> She continues: "I liked to teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen **i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use**. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, **then I will be very happy to play their game**."<sup>27</sup> In her own words, she has admitted that she filed the lawsuit, not because of a valid legal dispute, but because she wanted to avenge her pride and teach the Defendants a lesson. She even talks about how she has enough money to carry a lawsuit and make them pay attorney's fees to keep up with her. This is a clear ulterior motive, and Ms. Chan cannot point to any specific fact on the record to indicate otherwise. Indeed, her conduct during the lawsuit has also been vexatious and improper.

Ms. Chan improperly used the legal system to accomplish her ulterior motive. First, she fraudulently represented that she possessed a broker registration card identifying her as Dr. Chiu's agent. This was not true, yet Ms. Chan alleges in her initial complaint that "Plaintiff Chan located a buyer registration card and Defendant Chiu filled in the buyer portion and Plaintiff Chan filled in the realtor portion." Ms. Chan never had such a card, yet she continued to claim that she did, to the point of including it in her original complaint and trying to take the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> LaMantia v. Redisi, 118 Nev. 27, 30, 38 P.3d 877, 879 (2002).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Id at 31, 880.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Exhibit "7".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> See Ms. Chan's *Complaint* at 3:24-25.

commission by claiming she possessed the card. Not only did Ms. Chan misrepresent the existence of the buyer registration card, she also filed this lawsuit in contravention of her responsibility to seek arbitration through GLVAR. She filed this civil suit prior to seeking resolution through arbitration, and only agreed to stay the case when Defendants threatened her with sanctions. She also breached the *Agreement to Arbitrate*, in which she specifically agreed to abide by the arbitration award. Her conduct during the litigation has been inappropriate and has only served as evidence of her desire to run-up costs and punish the Defendants. She has propagated this litigation, at the expense of tens of thousands of dollars, yet she can only recover, at most, the \$13,000.00 commission held by GLVAR. This court has even entered an award of attorney's fees against Ms. Chan.

Ms. Chan cannot provide any specific facts to show that she has not abused the legal system while litigating that matter. Her intentions have been clear from the beginning: vengeance on those who dared cross her. She has used the assistance of five different law firms to accomplish this task. The matter has been before the GLVAR Arbitration panel, this Court and now the Supreme Court of Nevada. Ms. Chan is the posterchild of one who abuses the legal system to accomplish her own ulterior motive.

Though an appeal is pending before the Supreme Court of Nevada, this Court has jurisdiction, pursuant to the Supreme Court's direction found in Mack-Manley v. Manley. In Mack, the Supreme Court of Nevada States that the District Court retains jurisdictions "on matters that are collateral to and independent from the appealed order, *i.e.*, matters that in no way affect the appeal's merits."<sup>29</sup> This matter is collateral. It has never been adjudicated by an order in this matter. However, if this Court determines that it has jurisdiction to entertain Ms. Chan's pending Motion, it should also rule on Defendants' abuse of process claim. However, Defendants

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Mack-Manley v. Manley, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 138 P.3d 525, 529-30 (2006).

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do not believe that this Court has jurisdiction over Ms. Chan's pending Motion but that it does have jurisdiction to enter an order on the collateral abuse of process claim.

#### **CONCLUSION**.

Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify

Judgment as Final (on an Application for an Order Shortening Time) must be denied. This Court does not have jurisdiction to entertain motions on substantive issues currently pending before the Supreme Court of Nevada. It also cannot modify the March 22, 2019 Order and certify it as final, as the abuse of process claim is still pending, and Ms. Chan has not complied with the requirements outline in <a href="Huneycutt v. Huneycutt">Huneycutt v. Huneycutt</a>. This Court simply does not have jurisdiction to enter the relief Ms. Chan is requesting. Additionally, Defendants request that this Court enter an order for summary judgment on the counterclaim for abuse of process. Ms. Chan cannot present any facts to withstand such a motion and she has demonstrated over and over that her lawsuit was filed for ulterior motives.

Dated this  $16^{th}$  day of January 2020.

BLACKROCK LEGAL, LLC

/s/Keith D. Routsong, Esq.
MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.
Nevada Bar No. 6076
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### EXHIBIT "1"



April 27, 2018

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

VIA EMAIL and CERTIFIED MAIL

RE: Arbitration Case #16201A

Dear Mr. Wayne Wu,

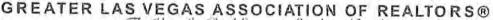
Enclosed is a amended letter referencing the actual Award of Arbitrators decision for the above-referenced case. Please reference the "Award of Arbitrators" that actually states that \$3,448.83 to be paid by Respondent to Complainant, and the remaining \$10,346.49 be paid to Respondent from the title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

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

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

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





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Thank you for participating in the Arbitration process.

Sincerely

Ingrid Trillo, Director

**GLVAR Professional Standards** 

Enclosures:

A12 Award of Arbitrators

A13 (Appeal) Request for Procedural Review (Arbitration)

A7 Notice of Right to Challenge Tribunal Members Designation of Counsel

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





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### Form #A-12

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

Case #16201A

### Award of Arbitrators

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

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	•	Respondent	
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C,	of the parties, a majority of the panel finds there is due and owi in the parties of the party (ies) named in the award or (2) deposit an escrow or trust account maintained for this purpose. Failure to within this time period may be considered a violation of a member discretion of the Board of Directors.	ng S 3, 448, 83 to be paid by Respected to the award, eithe funds with the Professional Standards Administrator to be satisfy the award or to deposit the funds in the escrew or trust.	to ither (1) held in
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	Dated: April 17th, 2018		
	Arbitrators:		
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	Ronnie Schwartz	Panel	Member
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Many arbitration hearings are convened to determine questions of procuring cause. For purposes of arbitration conducted by Boards and Associations of REALTORS", procuring cause is considered to be the initiation of the unbroken chain of causal events that results in a successful transaction, defined as a sale that closes or a lease that is executed.

(Revised 05/15)

<sup>\*</sup>Award becomes final twenty (20) days from the date the award is transmitted absent a procedural review request being filed.

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

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

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

In the case of: Betty Chan, (Broker) Asian American Realty  Complainant	vs. Wayne Wu (Agent), Judith Sullivan(Broker) Respondent
I (we),, do hereby request	
above-cited case before the Board of Directors of the	
NOTE: The Directors will not hear an appeal on the merits of the arb allegation(s) of procedural deficiency or other irregularities which m	itration award. A request for procedural review must be be a least
My (our) request is based on the following:	
(Set forth in reasonable detail [narrative] the facts which support if the narrative exceeds the space below. The procedural review	the request for review. Attach narrative to request form v request must be accompanied by a deposit in the amount
of \$ 250.00 * made payable to the Greater Las	Vegas Association of Realtors ®.
NOTE: Only those facts and issues raised in this written request will hearing.	be considered by the Board of Directors at the procedural review
Dated:	
Name (Type/Print):	Name (Type/Print):
Signature:	Signature:
Address:	Address:
Phone:	Phone:
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<sup>\*</sup>Not to exceed \$500.

Form #A-7

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

CASE NO.:

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

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# Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® 6360 S Rainbow Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89118 (702) 784-5052

### DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL (Arbitration)

DATE:	CASE NUMBER:
COMPLAINANT(S):	RESPONDENT(S):
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□ I do not wish to d	esignate counsel at this time
	OR
I,representation in a	, do hereby designate the following counsel for all aspects of these proceedings (please check one):
□ Legal	Counsel   REALTOR® Counsel
Counsel Name:	
Firm/Company Name:	
Address:	
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	Defendants/Counterclaimants.	_ )		
16	APPEARANCES			
17	Michael A. Olsen, Esq. of Goodsell & Olsen, LLP, on behalf of Wayne Wu, Judith			
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10	Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., and Jerrin Chiu, Defendants/Counterclaimants.			
19	Todd E. Kennedy, Esq. of Kennedy & C	ouvillier, PLLC on behalf of Betty Chan and		
20	Asian American Realty & Property Managemer	at, Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants.		
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22		ust 22, 2018 before the Honorable Eric Johnson		
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23	(hereafter "Motion to Vacate"), and Defendants	Counterclaimants' Opposition to Motion to		
24	Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Count	ermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring		
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having read and considered the papers and pleadings on file, having heard oral arguments made at the time of hearing, and good cause appearing, therefore the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

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	6.	Notwithstanding, the Court finds that Nevada law does not prohibit splitting a
commi	ission	between two individuals both claiming to be the procuring cause and therefore
Plainti	ffs/Co	ounterdefendants have failed to meet their burden of demonstrating clear and
convin	cing e	evidence of a violation under any of the standards asserted in the Motion to Vacate
that wo	ould ju	ustify modifying or vacating the Award.

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

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

1	f. It is further ordered that the stay	ordered by the Court pending resoluti	on of the
2	arbitration is lifted.	Or .	
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## Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTOI-1750 E. Sahara AV., Las Vegas, NV 89104 (702) 784-5052

## REQUEST AND AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE (MEMBER) PAGES 2, 3, 4 AND 5 MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND SUBMITTED WITH A SUMMARY AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS OR YOUR COMPLAINT WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU.

D	ATE: 11/9/2016	CASE NUMBER:	1620/A	(assigned by GLVAR® staff)	
1.	The undersigned, by becoming and remaining a member of the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS*, (or participate in its MLS), has previously consented to arbitration through the Association under its Rules and regulations.				
2.	Each person named below is a member in good standing of the Association or was a member at the time the disput arose.				
3.	A dispute arising out of (or my firm) and (list all PLEASE NAME RE	the real estate business as defined by Article 17 l persons and/or firms you wish to name as resp SPONDENTS:	of the Code ondents to thi	of Ethics exists between me is arbitration):*	
	Judith Sullivan	, Principal Broker of Neva	da Real Estate	e Corp. Company	
	Wayne Wu	, Agent of Nevada Real Es		Company	
	There is due, unpaid, and owing to me (or I retain) from the above named person(s) the sum of \$\_{13,795,32}\$. My claim is predicated upon the statement attached, marked Exhibit "1", and supporting documents which are incorporated by reference into this application. DO NOT STAPLE your packet - turn in original complaint form and copies of supporting documents.  disputed funds are held by First American Title:Escrow No. 112-24908656				
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In the event I do not comply with the award and it is necessary for any party to obtain judicial confirmation and enforcement of the award against me, I agree to pay that party costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in

obtaining such confirmation and enforcement.

- 6. I have enclosed my check in the sum of \$500.00 for the arbitration filing deposit of commissions of \$501.00 and above. I have enclosed my check in the sum of \$100.00 for the arbitration filing deposit of commissions \$500.00 and below which I understand is refundable to the prevailing party or if arbitration does not take place.
- 7. I understand that I may be represented by counsel and that I must provide written notice no less than (15) fifteen days before the hearing of the name, address and phone number of my attorney to all parties and the Association. Failure to provide this notice may result in a continuance of the hearing, if the Hearing Panel determines that the rights of the other party (ies) require representation.

All parties appearing at a hearing may be called as a witness without advance notice.

Notice of witnesses and legal and/or REALTOR® Counsel must be submitted at least 15 days prior to the hearing date. Each party shall arrange for his witnesses to be present at the time and place designates for the hearing. The following REALTOR® non-principal (or REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® nonprincipal) affiliated with my firm has a financial interest in the outcome of the proceeding and has the right to be present throughout the hearing:

- 8. I declare this application and the allegations contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and this request for arbitration is filed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the closing of the transaction, if any, or within one hundred eighty (180) days after the facts constituting the arbitrable matter could have been in the exercise of reasonable diligence, whichever is later.
- 9. If either party to an arbitration request believes that the Grievance Committee has incorrectly classified the issue presented in the request (i.e., mandatory or voluntary), the party has twenty (20) days from the date of receipt of the Grievance Committee's decision to file a written appeal of the decision. Only those materials that the Grievance Committee had at the time of its determination may be considered with the appeal by the Board of Directors.
- 10. Are the circumstances giving rise to this arbitration request the subject of civil litigation? xx Yes No
- 11. Important note related to arbitration conducted pursuant to Standards of Practice 17-4 (1) or (2): Where arbitration is conducted between two (or more) cooperating brokers pursuant to Standards of Practice 17-4 (1) or (2), the amount in dispute and the amount of any potential resulting award is limited to the amount paid to the respondent by the listing broker, seller, or landlord and any amount credited or paid to a party to the transaction at the direction of the respondent.
- 12. Address of the property in the transaction given rise to this arbitration request 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, NV89138
   13. The sale/lease closed on: May 27 2016

Agreements to arbitrate are irrevocable except as otherwise provided under state law.

By submission of this complaint and / or response, I consent to receive communications sent from the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® via U.S. Mail, e-mail telephone or facsimile at the numbers and locations noted by you on this form. This permission includes all future U.S. mailing address, e-mail, telephone, which I might supply to the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®. Permission continues until / unless specifically revoked, in writing, to the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®.

Signature (Broker):	Signature (Agent):
Broker's Name (print): Betty Chan	Agent's Name (print): Betty Chan
Company: Asian American Realty & Property Management	Company: Asian American Realty & Property Management
Address: 4651 Spring Mountain Road, Las Vegas, NV 89102	Address: 4651 Spring Mountain Road. Las Vegas, NV 89102

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Telephone: (702 ) 222-0078	Telephone: (702 ) 222-00/8	
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NOTE: This Association offers voluntary mediation, binding only if parties reach a written, signed settlement.

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

### FINDINGS OF FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

#### A. COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT GRANTED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 11. The Court hereby ORDERS attorney's fees in the amount of \$21,435.00. The Court finds this amount is reasonable and actually incurred by Defendants in enforcing the arbitration award. The Court is awarding attorney fees after the entry of the arbitration award and Plaintiffs' filing of its Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, starting on July 25, 2018. The Court declines to award fees requested on the invoices dated December 31, 2016, January 31, 2017, and February 28, 2017, as the redactions made to Plaintiffs' counsel's billing records prevent the Court from determining if those fees were reasonable and necessary. The Court has reviewed the remaining fees and finds they were reasonable and appropriate for litigating the matter and in keeping with attorney fees for such work in Southern Nevada. The Court further finds that the Brunzell factors have been met for the reasons stated in Defendant's Countermotion for Attorney Fees and Costs as set forth below.
- 12. When determining an award of attorneys' fees and costs, Nevada courts have long relied upon the factors in Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank. These four factors analyze (1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived.
- 13. **Brunzell Factor #1**: "the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill". Counsel for Defendants, Michael A. Olsen, Esq. is a founding partner of his firm and has been a member of the State Bar of Nevada for over twenty years. He is a graduate of Utah State University and BYU's J. Reuben Clark Law School. His abilities as an advocate have been recognized through numerous awards and honors,

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

- 14. Brunzell Factor #2: "the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation" This matter involved complex legal issues including a determination of procuring cause and whether the Arbitration Panel exceeded its authority pursuant to Nevada statute. Because the Plaintiff elected to contest the validity of the Arbitration award it became incumbent on Defendant to defend the award and have it confirmed by the Court. Defendant was successful in confirming and enforcing the Arbitration Award.
- 15. Brunzell Factor #3: "the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work". The Plaintiffs attempt to set aside the Arbitration Award and to further litigate against the Defendants has required investment of a substantial amount of time and effort to prepare and provide a proper defense, including against motion practice initiated by the Plaintiffs. The fees and costs awarded were reasonably incurred in defending the actions taken by Plaintiffs in this matter as set forth in detail above.
- 16. Brunzell Factor #4: "the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived". Defendants were ultimately successful in upholding and enforcing the Arbitration Award, recognizing Wu as the procuring cause and thereby securing summary judgment in favor of the Defendants.
- 17. While "good judgment would dictate that each of these factors be given consideration by the trier of fact and that no one element should predominate or be given undue weight," each factor strongly supports an award of attorneys' fees and costs in the favor of Defendants.

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

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

IT IS SO ORDERED this 19 of FEBRUARY 2019

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

ERIC JOHNSON

Prepared and submitted by:

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FILE NO. 6495-001

March 24, 2016

First American Title Karen Patton 8311 W. Sunset Road, #150 Las Vegas, NV 89113 kapatton@firstam.com

Re: ESCROW NO. 112-249-8656

This firm represents Betty Chan with respect to the payment of a commission from the sale of the property located at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138. Ms. Chan was the procuring cause of the sale of the home to Jerrin Chiu. She showed the property to Mr. Chiu on December 31, 2015. Mr. Chiu signed a broker registration identifying Ms. Chan as his agent on the same day. Subsequently, Mr. Chiu used a different broker, Wayne Wu, to close the transaction despite Ms. Chan showing Mr. Chiu the property. Ms. Chan disputes any commission payment to Mr. Wu since she was the procuring cause of the sale on the buyer's side of the transaction.

As you are aware, the broker who is the procuring cause of the sale is entitled to the commission for the sale. See Schneider v. Biglieri, 94 Nev. 426, 427, 581 P.2d 8, 9 (1978); Bartsas Realty, Inc. v. Leverton, 82 Nev. 6, 409 P.2d 627 (1966). The broker's presence at the sale is not required for that broker to earn his or her commission. See Horton v. Colbron, 60 Wyo. 263, 150 P.2d 315, 319 (1944). Ms. Chan became the procuring cause of the sale when she showed the property to Mr. Chiu as Mr. Chiu's broker.

By this correspondence, you have been made aware of Ms. Chan's claim to the buyer's commission from the sale of at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138 to Mr. Chiu. In the event that buyer's commission's paid to anyone other than Ms. Chan as a result of this transaction, we will pursue the recovery of that commission from the payee. Ms. Chan reserves all rights against any party that pays or receives a buyer's commission for this transaction to anyone other than her.

First American Title Karen Patton Page 2

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

HUTCHISON & STEFFEN

Jeffey R. Hall For the Firm

cc: Wayne Wu

Anthony C. Gordon Jerrin Chiu

Betty Chan

## EXHIBIT "6"

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A-16-744109-C

AMENDED COMPLAINT EXEMPT FROM ARBITRATION: REQUESTS DECLARATORY RELIEF

Plaintiffs, Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management ("Plaintiffs") by and through the law firm of Marquis Aurbach Coffing, hereby allege and complain against Defendants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin

- Plaintiff Betty Chan is a resident of the State of Nevada is and was doing business as a licensed real estate broker for her company Asian American Realty & Property
- Defendant Wayne Wu is a resident of the State of Nevada, is and was doing business in the County of Clark as a real estate agent with Nevada Real Estate Corp.
- Defendant Judith Sullivan is a resident of the state of Nevada and is the licensed

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- 4. Defendant Jerrin Chiu is a resident in the State of Nevada and does business in Clark County as a licensed Optometrist.
- 5. Defendant KB Home Sales - Nevada Inc. ("KB Homes"), is and was at all times mentioned herein, conducting business in Clark County, Nevada.
- 6. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate, or otherwise of the Defendants named herein as DOES I through X, inclusive, and ROE CORPORATIONS I through X, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiff at this time, and therefore Plaintiff sues said Defendants by fictitious names and will ask leave of the Court to amend this Complaint to show the true names and capacities of Defendants when the same are ascertained.
- 7. The transactions which are the subject matter of the instant Complaint occurred in Clark County, Nevada, and therefore, jurisdiction and venue are appropriate with this Court.

### GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 8. Plaintiff Chan worked as the real estate agent for Defendant Jerrin Chiu on the purchase of his first home in 2013.
- In 2014, Defendant Jerrin Chiu again requested the assistance of Plaintiff Chan in purchasing a second home.
- 10. In 2014, Plaintiff Chan showed some homes to Defendant Chiu but he did not find anything he wanted to purchase.
- 11. In March 2015, Plaintiff Chan showed houses again and Defendant Jerrin Chiu made an offer on a home in Desert Shores; Defendant Jerrin Chiu determined again not to purchase the home.
- 12. On or about October 2, 2015, Dr. Kwang Chiu contacted Plaintiff Chan to make an appointment for him and his son, Jerrin Chiu, to see homes in December 2015.
  - 13. Plaintiff Chan agreed to represent Defendant Chiu as the buyer.
- 14. Plaintiff Chan requested updated financial information for Defendant Chiu's loan pre-approval.
- 15. On or about November 11, 2015, Defendant Chiu emailed Plaintiff Chan regarding his intention to purchase a house and listed out the criteria.

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- 16. On or about November 28, 2015, Defendant Chiu emailed Plaintiff Chan concerning the location of a particular house he wanted to see.
- On or about November 29, 2015, Plaintiff Chan responded concerning the 17. viewing of the particular house.
- 18. On or about December 29, 2015, Plaintiff Chan prepared for the showing of homes to the Chiu family by pulling listings around Boca Park area.
- 19. Five resale homes were targeted to fit Defendant Chiu's criteria and Plaintiff Chan contacted the listing agents for the resales to set appointments.
- 20. Plaintiff Chan included the model homes in both a Toll Brothers development and a KB Home development previously viewed by Plaintiff Chan.
- 21. Plaintiff Chan checked the status of the listings, printed the information and arranged a route for the efficient showing of the properties.
- On or about December 30, 2015, Plaintiff Chan picked up the Chiu family and 22. showed the resale homes, the Toll Brother models and the KB Homes models.
- 23. KB Homes offered to compensate brokers for bringing buyers to KB Home Developments at Buyer's first visit.
- At the front office of KB Homes, Plaintiff Chan spoke to Cheryl and picked up a 24. price sheet.
- 25. Plaintiff Chan then showed the model homes to the Chiu family and Defendant Chiu liked the first and second model homes.
- Back at the KB Homes model home office, Plaintiff Chan requested a floor plan 26. and explained the buying process for a new home including the standards, elevations, prices, location of the site, etc. to the Chiu family.
- Plaintiff Chan located a buyer registration card and Defendant Chiu filled in the 27. buyer portion and Plaintiff Chan filled in the realtor portion.
- No KB Homes representative was to be found so Plaintiff Chan left the 28. registration card on the table in the KB Home front office to hurry to get the Chiu family to the next appointment.

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- 29. Plaintiff Chan emailed Dr. Kwang Chiu the four resale listings that were viewed.
- 30. On or about December 31, 2015, Dr. Kwang Chiu called Plaintiff Chan and asked if she could "kick back 1% of the commission" like the other agent offered him.
- 31. On or about January 5, 2016, Plaintiff Chan followed up with Defendant Chiu about the KB Home properties.
  - 32. Defendant Chiu did not respond.
- On or about January 15, 2016, Defendant Chiu admitted that he was using another 33. agent.
- 34. On or about January 22, 2016, Plaintiff Chan went to the KB Homes office and learned that Defendant Chiu had indeed signed a contract on the property shown by Plaintiff Chan with another agent on January 8, 2016.
- 35. On or about January 30, 2016, Plaintiff Chan went to the KB Homes office to address the commission; both KB Homes representatives, Cheryl and Jana, stated that Defendant Chiu told them Plaintiff Chan introduced him to KB Homes but that he determined to use another agent.
- On or about February 1, 2016, KB Homes Sales Manager, Lara McLaughlin, 36. contacted Plaintiff Chan on two occasions indicating she was looking into the commission dispute.
- 37. Plaintiff Chan made efforts to resolve the dispute concerning her involvement in the transaction and the entitlement to the commission to no avail.
- 38. On or about May 27, 2016, Defendant Chiu closed on the purchase of a home in the KB Home community known as 477 Cabral Peak, Las Vegas, Neyada ("Property").
- 39. Upon information and belief, before paying a commission to an agent for the sale of a KB home, KB Homes requires that that agent sign a registration upon the first visit with the buyer to the property.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Wayne Wu signed a registration card at 40. KB Homes knowing that Defendant Jerrin Chiu had first visited the Property with Plaintiff Chan.

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- 41. Defendant Wayne Wu and Defendant Judith Sullivan on behalf of Defendant Nevada Real Estate Corp claim to be entitled to the commission on the purchase and sale of the Property.
- 42. Upon information and belief, the commission is held with First American Title Company.
  - 43. Plaintiffs were not paid any commission for the sale of the Property.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

#### (Declaratory Relief)

- 44. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the forgoing paragraphs as though fully stated herein.
  - 45. A genuine controversy exists in this matter.
- 46. Plaintiffs and Defendants Wu, Sullivan and Nevada Real Estate Corp. claim adverse interests in the commission for the sale of the Property.
- 47. Defendant Chiu sought the assistance of Defendant Wu due to Wu's 1% commission kickback effectively circumventing Plaintiff Chan from the transaction and from the commission.
- 48. KB Homes offered the payment of a commission to brokers that brought buyers to KB Home Developments to Buyers first visit.
- 49. Plaintiff Chan brought Defendant Chiu to the KB Homes Development and showed him the model homes to decide which floor plan to purchase.
- 50. Defendant Chiu utilized another agent, Defendant Wayne Wu to write a contract for the purchase of the Property located in the same KB Homes Development.
- 51. Plaintiff Chan was the procuring cause of the sale of the Property but did not receive the commission.
- 52. Plaintiffs request a declaration from the Court that Plaintiffs are entitled to the commission on the sale of the Property.
- Plaintiffs request a declaration from the court that Defendants Wu, Sullivan and 53. Nevada Real Estate Corp. are not entitled to the commission on the sale of the Property.

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	54.	Plaintiffs request a declaration from the court that Defendant KB Homes breached
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- 55. Plaintiffs request a declaration from the court that the commission be released from the title company to Plaintiffs and any shortfall be paid by Defendants.
- 56. As a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have been forced to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute the instant action and therefore is entitled to reasonable attorneys fees and costs.

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### (Breach of Contract)

- 57. Plaintiff Chan repeats, realleges, and incorporates each and every paragraph contained above as though fully set forth herein.
- 58. KB Homes offered to compensate brokers for selling KB Homes to their buyers upon their first visit.
- 59. Plaintiff Chan brought Defendant Chiu to the KB Homes community and showed the model homes to Defendant Chiu to decide which floor plan to purchase.
- 60. Plaintiff Chan and Defendant Chiu filled out a registration card providing their information to KB Homes.
- 61. Plaintiff Chan was the procuring cause of the sale of the Property to Defendant Chiu.
- 62. Defendant purchased the Property which is located in the same KB Homes community.
  - 63. KB Homes failed to pay Plaintiffs the commission for the sale of the Property.
  - 64. KB Homes breached its obligation to pay a commission to Plaintiffs.
- 65. As a result of KB Homes' action, Plaintiff Chan has been damaged in excess of \$10,000.
- 66. It has been necessary for Plaintiff Chan to retain the services of an attorney and to incur attorney's fees and costs to prosecute this action, and therefore, Plaintiff is entitled to reimbursement for those attorney's fees and costs incurred herein.

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#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

#### (Unjust Enrichment)

- 67. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege, and incorporate each and every paragraph contained above as though fully set forth herein.
- 68. Plaintiff Chan was the procuring cause for the purchase of the Property by Defendant Chiu.
- 69. Defendant Wu interfered with the change of events set in motion by Plaintiff Chan by offering to kickback 1% of the commission to Defendant Chiu.
- 70. Defendant Chiu circumvented Plaintiff Chan's ability to complete the transaction when Defendant Chiu agreed to use Defendant Wu.
- 71. Upon information and belief, Defendant Wu and Defendant Chiu made misrepresentations to KB Homes concerning the initial showing of the Property.
- 72. Plaintiff Chan did not receive a commission despite being the procuring cause of the sale of the Property to Defendant Chiu.
  - 73. Defendant Wu's receipt of any commission would be unjust.
  - 74. Plaintiff Chan is entitled to the payment of the commission.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment against Defendants as follows:

- For damages in excess of \$10,000, plus interest.
- 2. For prejudgment and post judgment interest;
- 3. For a declaration that KB Homes breached the contract;
- For a declaration that Plaintiffs are entitled to the commission on the sale of the
   Property;

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- For a declaration that Defendants Wu, Sullivan and Nevada Real Estate Corp. are 5. not entitled to the commission on the sale of the Property;
  - 6. For attorney's fees and costs; and
  - 7. For any and other such relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated this 2 day of November, 2016.

MARQUIS AURBACH COFFING

Avece M. Higbee, Esq. Nevada Bar No. 3739 10001 Park Run Drive Las Vegas, Nevada 89145 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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## **EXHIBIT "7"**



Betty Chan <aaroffer@gmail.com>

### (no subject)

7025951268@mms.att.net < 7025951268@mms.att.net > To: aaroffer@gmail.com

Fri, Feb 5, 2016 at 6:01 PM

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



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#### **REGISTER OF ACTIONS** CASE No. A-16-744109-C

Betty Chan, Plaintiff(s) vs. Wayne Wu, Defendant(s)

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Counter Claimant	Chiu, Jerrin	Lead Attorneys Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Nevada Real Estate Corp	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Sullivan, Judith	<b>Michael A. Olsen</b> <i>Retained</i> 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Wu, Wayne	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Defendant	Chan, Betty	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)
Defendant	Chiu, Jerrin	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	KB Home Sales-Nevada Inc	<del>Janice M Michaels</del> <del>Retained</del> <del>702-251-4100(W)</del>
Defendant	Nevada Real Estate Corp	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	Sullivan, Judith	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	Wu, Wayne	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Plaintiff	Asian American Realty & Property Management	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)
Plaintiff	Chan, Betty	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)

01/22/2020 All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric)

#### Minutes

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- PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO FORMALLY RESOLVE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND TO CERTIFY JUDGMENT AS FINAL (ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME)...OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO FORMALLY RESÓLVE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND TO CERTIFY JUDGMENT AS FINAL (ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER SHORTENING TIME) AND COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM Conference at the Bench. Court advised it does not believe it has jurisdiction as this case is on appeal. Arguments by Mr. Frizell and Mr. Olsen in support of their respective positions. Following, COURT ORDERED, Plaintiff's Motion is DENIED and Defendant's Motion is GRANTED IN PART/ DENIED IN PART. Mr. Frizell to prepare the Order.

**Parties Present** Return to Register of Actions

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9	Plaintiff,	) ) DEPT. XX
10	vs.	) )
11	WAYNE WU,	) )
12	Defendant.	) )
13 14	BEFORE THE HONORABLE ERIC JOI	HNSON, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
15	WEDNESDAY, JA	NUARY 22, 2020
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19	APPEARANCES:	
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1	Las Vegas, Nevada, Wednesday, January 22, 2020		
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3	[Case called at 9:19 a.m.]		
4	THE COURT: All right. Calling Betty Chan versus Wayne		
5	Wu. Case Number A744109. Counsel, please note your		
6	appearances for the record.		
7	MR. FRIZELL: Good morning, Judge. Duane Frizell here		
8	on behalf of the Plaintiffs.		
9	MR. OLSEN: Good morning, Your Honor. Mike Olsen		
0	here on behalf of the Defendants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan,		
1	Nevada Real Estate Corp, and Jerin Chiu.		
2	THE COURT: Okay. Could I see Counsel at side bar for		
3	just a second?		
4	MR. OLSEN: Yep.		
5	MR. FRIZELL: Yes, Your Honor.		
6	[Bench conference transcribed as follows:]		
7	THE COURT: Okay. I wanted you to know that my wife		
8	and I, we're moving so we've sold our house and Mr. Frizell is a		
9	rotary member in my wife's rotary club and we hired him to do		
20	paperwork on the sale of our house.		
21	MR. OLSEN: That's a wise choice.		
22	THE COURT: So he is theoretic well he's not		
23	theoretically, he is our attorney on the sale, which may be		
24	concluded sometime next week. You probably have a basis to seek		
25	my recusal if you want to do that, so I wanted to let you know that		

before we went forward.

MR. OLSEN: No, I don't want to seek recusal. I -- you have the history of the case. This has been going on far too long. I want to get this thing done. So no, I don't see a problem in --

THE COURT: Well I mean, I don't -- this has no real relation and I don't -- I'm not too worried in terms of whatever ruling I make on this case; that it's going to impact my sale of the house. So we'll keep my fingers crossed on that. Anyway, all right, so you're good with me continuing?

MR. OLSEN: Absolutely. I have no concerns.

THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

MR. OLSEN: Yeah.

[End of bench conference.]

THE COURT: Okay. We're on for Plaintiff's Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final.

So let me tell you where I'm sort of at. It's your motion. I don't have a real problem formally resolving the Motion for Reconsideration. I think I did decide that at the last hearing. We went back and listened to the JAVS and, you know, I -- and I think it's noted on the Minutes Order. So I don't have any problem entering an order finding that there was not a basis for reconsideration of the motion and denying the Motion for Reconsideration.

I'm not sure I really can go forward with that because

apparently there are the -- some counterclaims by the Defendant that were never formally resolved. It's unfortunate that we didn't sort of bring those matters up to where they could have been formally resolved at the time, but they weren't formally resolved and I don't think I have jurisdiction at this point with the case up on appeal to enter any -- to resolve them.

I know you say it was brought up in the context of the granting of attorney's fees, the abuse of process, but that was, you know, something considered in attorney's fees and wasn't considered in terms of whether the burden was met or not met or established as to that claim.

So I don't feel I can really do anything there, but I do feel I can issue an order definitively on the Motion for Reconsideration, which is in my reading of the Supreme Court's Order, the only thing that they were kicking this back on. So that's sort of where I'm at. So if you want to say anything more or --

MR. FRIZELL: Thank you, Your Honor. I'm -- really don't want to add too much other than I'm very impressed, it looks like you read whatever I filed at 2:00 this morning.

THE COURT: Well actually, in fairness to everybody -- my clerk what you filed at 2:00 this morning and gave me a summary --

MR. FRIZELL: Oh my --

THE COURT: -- of that.

MR. FRIZELL: My -- I salute you. And we were -- because this is on shortening time, which of course we requested, this was a

very truncated matter. I will have to say the Countermotion for Summary Judgment was a bit of a surprise but it was -- I only had two judicial days to work on it and my client was out-of-country, so it took me a while to put this together but I understand where Your Honor is going. I don't know if you would prefer to look and digest what I filed or if you're prepared to rule but I'll defer to the Court on that.

THE COURT: I just don't think I, at this point, have the jurisdiction to enter -- you know, enter a summary judgment. I can enter motion -- you know, orders relating to things that were pending before me. And this, I don't know -- I don't even really see it pending before me, I think I resolved it, but -- on the Motion for Reconsideration. But the rest of it, I don't think I have it before me to resolve and so I hesitate to do anything with that. At this point, it seems like the Supreme Court just was concerned about the Motion for Reconsideration.

So, what's your take?

MR. OLSEN: Your Honor, I'll be brief. We're dealing with two separate orders here. The first order was entered in September of '18. That order confirmed the arbitration award.

THE COURT: Right.

MR. OLSEN: In our view, that order was final, that order was never appealed. The issue that remained for the Court to resolve on -- was our Countermotion for Summary Judgment to get rid of the District Court case because it was our position that the

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ruling in the Arbitration eliminated all claims against my clients as Defendants.

THE COURT: Right.

MR. OLSEN: So the Court entered another order in March granting summary judgment on all of the Plaintiff's claims against Defendants. And you're right, Your Honor, we just -- we did not clean up the counterclaim issue. I would point out, Your Honor, there was no Countermotion for Summary Judgment against us on our counterclaims, so by law they cannot have been adjudicated.

In other words, either our motion on the -- on our counterclaims was granted or it was not and I would agree that there was no ruling on that. But even if the Court had denied our Motion for Summary Judgment on our counterclaims, they would still exist. They would still be yet to be adjudicated.

With regard to the -- so one of the concerns I have, Your Honor, and I just want to make a record of this. Ms. Chan made a representation in her brief that the March order, quote: Ruled that the arbitration award was confirmed.

And I'm reading from page 4 of their brief.

And then they say: The appeal was taken as an order confirming or denying confirmation of an arbitration award.

That, Your Honor, is a misrepresentation. The March order did not confirm the arbitration award. What it -- all the Court did was affirm the September order. It has no legal effect.

In other words, in the March order, the only thing that was

said was, the September order, that I've already entered, is affirmed. The reason that's significant is because in our view, the time period for appeal on that issue had expired. The 30 days had lapsed. So the only way they get an appeal on the issue of whether the arbitration award was appropriate is to try and bootstrap it in through the later order.

So I --

THE COURT: Well you made your rec -- I mean, that's up to the Supreme Court --

MR. OLSEN: Right.

THE COURT: -- whether he has the right to appeal and what he has the right to --

MR. OLSEN: Understood.

THE COURT: -- appeal on. And you can make your record for whatever purpose here but I'm not going to rule whether -- today whether he has the right to appeal --

MR. OLSEN: Understood.

THE COURT: -- or doesn't have the right to appeal.

MR. OLSEN: And I did just want to make a record of that.

Your Honor, with the regard to the Motion to Reconsider, our only concern there -- and believe me, we do not want to delay this. My only concern there was, I don't think that motion was ever properly served on us and I don't think it was ever properly noticed for a hearing.

And so I do recall the Court saying I don't see any basis

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for this and there's no new evidence here and I recognize that's in the Minutes.

THE COURT: Well, I mean, the motion was definitely in front of me at the time of the last hearing, so I do think I can go ahead and resolve that.

MR. OLSEN: Okay.

THE COURT: I mean --

MR. OLSEN: I just --

THE COURT: -- I was resolving it in your favor. Do you really want to --

MR. OLSEN: No, no.

THE COURT: -- file a brief and have a hearing on it?

MR. OLSEN: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: I'll be glad to set it and we'll get this -- get the loose ends tied up. But otherwise, I mean, I think -- you know, I think I did resolve it before.

MR. OLSEN: Okay. And I'm happy to accept that. My only concern was I did not want to see us create another appealable issue that would cause further delay down the road. But I think with what the Court has stated here and with that clarification, I would agree that an order could be entered denying that motion and then we'll work things out with the Supreme Court with regard to the appeal.

THE COURT: All right. I'll go -- do you want to draft it and -- I mean, it's --

MR. FRIZELL: Yes, Your Honor. That's fine. And I would just speak to -- if there's any concern about whether it was ever noticed, well, Your Honor, today's motion was noticed with a hearing asking the Court to consider that motion and rule on it, so.

THE COURT: Yeah, I mean -- I think I was trying to be considerate toward you and tell you, you didn't need to do anything and I denied it. So --

MR. OLSEN: Which I greatly appreciate.

THE COURT: I mean, you put together whatever motion -- MR. FRIZELL: I will.

THE COURT: -- language, run it by him to -- you think to make the Supreme Court happy and I'll -- I can certainly go, you know, deny the Motion for Reconsideration so that the appeal can go forward.

MR. OLSEN: Perfect.

MR. FRIZELL: Thank you, Your Honor. And I will prepare that order. I understand the Court's ruling and I don't want to belabor the point, other people are waiting today but I just want to say that I agree with the Court that the issue, in terms of whether or not the order was appealable, that's before the Supreme Court.

And again, it was filed at a time when my clients did not have an attorney. They're doing their best. And I know that the Courts construe a pro se pleadings and --

THE COURT: No, I --

MR. FRIZELL: -- the best that they can in their favor.

1	THE COURT: You know, like I said, I have no issue;
2	however the Court comes out higher the High Court comes out on
3	that, so.
4	MR. OLSEN: Your Honor, can we include in the order that
5	our counterclaims remain to be resolved at a later time?
6	THE COURT: You want to red flag that? I thought you
7	wanted this to move forward with the you know, I let's not do
8	that. I what was before me was the Motion for Reconsideration.
9	That was what was before me. We didn't have your counterclaims
10	before me.
11	Let's just enter an Order that I'm grant deny the Motion
12	for Reconsideration. That was all that was before at that point and
13	that's all that's resolved.
14	MR. OLSEN: Okay.
15	MR. FRIZELL: I will prepare the Order, Your Honor.
16	THE COURT: All right.
17	MR. FRIZELL: Thank you.
18	THE COURT: Thank you.
19	[Proceeding concluded at 9:29 a.m.]
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And All Related Claims

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

## —AND— COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM

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

## FINDINGS OF FACT

The Court hereby makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:

- 1. On March 22, 2019, the Court ruled upon a separate countermotion and entered its Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs ("MSJ Order").
- 2. On April 1, 2019, Plaintiffs, who were representing themselves *pro se* at the time, filed their Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants Counter Motion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs ("Motion for Reconsideration").
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- On April 22, 2019, Plaintiffs, who were still representing themselves pro se, filed their Notice of Appeal in this action.
- 7. When Plaintiffs filed their appeal, the counterclaim for abuse of process of Defendants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu (collectively "Defendants") was still pending and had not yet been adjudicated.
- 8. On November 14, 2019, in the appeal, the Supreme Court issued an Order to Show Cause ("OSC") as to why the appeal should not be dismissed because of the pending Motion for Reconsideration, which this Court had not "formally resolved."
- 9. In the OSC, the Supreme Court stated that all that is required to cure the potential jurisdictional defect is "a written, file-stamped order resolving" the Motion for Reconsideration.
- 10. To the extent the foregoing Findings of Fact may be characterized as Conclusions of Law, they are hereby deemed to be such Conclusions.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Court hereby makes the following CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

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

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

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

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

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

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

### ORDER

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED as follows:

- i. Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final (filed Jan. 7, 2020) ["Motion to Resolve"] is hereby GRANTED in part and DENIED in part, as follows:
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  - b. in all other respects, Plaintiff's Motion to Resolve is DENIED.
  - ii. Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration is in all respects hereby DENIED.

iii. Defendants' Countermotion	n for Summary Judgment on Abuse of Process C
(filed Jan. 16, 2020) [the "Countermotion"	'] is in all respects hereby DENIED.
IT IS SO ORDERED.	
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## —AND—

# COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 10th day of March 2020, an ORDER ON

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JUDGMENT ON ABUSE OF PROCESS CLAIM was entered in the above-captioned matter. A

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1 2	true and correct copy of same is attached hereto.
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filing of a notice of appe	al "divests the district court of jurisdiction to act and vests jurisdiction
in this court.""). Accord	lingly, Defendants' Countermotion should be DENIED.

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

### ORDER

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED as follows:

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

iii. Defendants' Countermotio	on for Summary Judgment on Abuse of Process C
(filed Jan. 16, 2020) [the "Countermotion"	"] is in all respects hereby DENIED.
IT IS SO ORDERED.	
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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Blackrock Legal, LLC., and hereby submits this Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the alternative, for Award of Attorney's Fees, for Writ of Execution for on Plaintiff's Commissions Awarded by GLVAR Arbitration Pane land Release of Bond Deposited on Appeal (hereafter "Motion") on the grounds set forth in the Points and Authorities herein, Exhibits attached hereto and any paper or pleadings on file with this court.

## MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES BACKGROUND

This is the ongoing saga of the dispute over a real estate commission totaling \$13,795.32 which belonged to the procuring real estate agent, Wayne Wu (herein after "Wu"), for the sale of the property located at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138, APN # 137-34-119-012, (herein after "Subject Property"), to Jerrin Chiu on January 8, 2016. Betty Chan (herein after "Chan") asserted that she was the procuring agent and the commissions rightfully belonged to her. Ms. Chan, in direct breach of contract and her ethical duties owed to GLVAR filed suit against the Defendants in this Court prior to submitting the matter to binding arbitration before the GLVAR. Then after being threatened with dismissal of the District Court case, the matter was submitted to a GLVAR binding Arbitration Panel on April 17, 2018 as required by the Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual subscribed to by Realtors. The Panel found Wu to be the procuring agent of the sale and entitled to the commissions. However, the panel also allowed Chan to retain one quarter of the disputed commissions, a total of \$3,448.83.1

Following that binding decision, Chan continued her vexatious litigation, as she promised she would and sought to overturn the decision of the Arbitration Panel. This court found the arbitration binding on August 22, 2018 and signed the Order Denying the Motion to Vacate on

<sup>1</sup> Exhibit 1 GLVAR Arbitration Award.

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September 18, 2018. 2 On October 31, 2018 the Court granted the Defendants' request for Summary Judgment and approved Defendants' request for Attorneys' fees and costs incurred in obtaining judicial confirmation of the Arbitration Award.3

Before Plaintiffs were able to execute on their judgment, Ms. Chan filed a *Notice of* Appeal on April 22, 2019. Ms. Chan, who has had five different law firms represent her in this matter, appealed the March 18, 2019 Order granting Defendants' attorney's fees. She, however, also tried to bootstrap an appeal of the validity of the confirmation of the arbitration award which was granted by Order dated September 18, 2018. Ms. Chan was forced to take this bootstrap approach because she had already blown the 30-day deadline to appeal the Order affirming the arbitration award.

Over a year later, the parties have attended mandatory arbitration required by the Supreme Court of Nevada, filed two responses to the Supreme Court's two Orders to show cause, and finally received an order issued by the Supreme Court dismissing Ms. Chan's frivolous appeal. On May 19, 2020, the Supreme Court of Nevada issued their Order Dismissing Appeal, which dismissed Ms. Chan's appeal due to lack of subject matter jurisdiction. A copy of the order dismissing the appeal is attached as **Exhibit "7"**. This means that Defendants have been forced to incur another year's worth of attorney's fees trying to collect the \$10,000.00 commission the GLVAR awarded back in 2018.

## **UNDISPUTED FACTS**

- 1. On November 2, 2015, Dr. Jerrin Chiu emailed Ms. Chan expressing an interest in searching for a home to purchase on specific days while his parents were in town visiting in late December 2015.
- <sup>2</sup> Exhibit 2 Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, Sep. 18, 2018. 3 See Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs dated March 19, 2019, attached as Exhibit 3.

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- 2. Despite previously agreeing to be available on the specified dates in late December 2015, Ms. Chan failed to respond to Defendants' multiple requests to see houses on those dates. Ms. Chan was aware that Dr. Chiu and his parents had a tight window in which to purchase a home, so when she failed to return their calls, they assumed that she had abandoned them.
- 3. Though Ms, Chan showed Dr. Chiu and his parents several homes, she did not show them the home they ended up purchasing.
- 4. While waiting for Chan to return their call, Dr. Chiu and his parents, without the assistance of any broker, met with a KB Home representative and were informed that if they did not make a deposit towards a lot before the end of the day, they would be subject to the development-wide price increase of \$3,000.00.
- 5. Dr. Chiu placed a deposit on his home and he, and his parents, later ended up purchasing the home with the assistance of Wayne Wu.
- 6. There was never any written or verbal agreement setting forth the terms of any agreement between the Ms. Chan and Defendants.
- 7. Wu is the only realtor listed on the closing documents and is listed as the realtor of record and was the agent who did all of the work in procuring and closing the sale of the home.
- 8. Ms. Chan is a member of the GLVAR which requires that any and all legitimate disputes regarding commissions be handled by way of binding arbitration before the GLVAR.

	9.	Chan fraudulently represented to Dr. Chiu and to First American Title Company	
that sl	ne posse	ssed a broker registration card identifying her as Dr. Chiu's agent without being	
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- 10. On September 27, 2016, Ms. Chan, filed a *Complaint* in the Eighth Judicial District Court, prior to submitting the matter to GLVAR for mediation and possible arbitration as required by rule.5 She sued Wu, Nevada Real Estate Corp. (the real estate company where Wu works), Judith Sullivan (designated Realtor® and officer of Nevada Real Estate Corp.), Dr. Chiu (the buyer), and KB Homes (the property developer/seller).
- 11. November 9, 2016 Ms. Chan signed an *Agreement to Arbitrate*, attached as **Exhibit "4"**. In the *Agreement to Arbitrate*, Ms. Chan agreed to abide by the arbitration award as well as paying attorney's fees incurred in seeking district court confirmation of the award should she challenge it.6
- 12. The parties attended arbitration on April 17, 2018, wherein the GLVAR Arbitration Panel found Wu to be the procuring agent of the sale and entitled to the commissions. However, the panel also allowed Chan to retain one quarter of the disputed commissions, a total of \$3,448.83.7
- 13. On July 2, 2018, Ms. Chan filed her *Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration*Award, which was followed by Defendants' Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Award

<sup>4</sup> See Exhibit "5"; Exhibit "6".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Arbitration Manual, Article 17, page 13 ("Realtors shall submit the dispute to arbitration in accordance with the policies of the Board rather than litigate the matter."); Part Ten – Arbitration of Disputes, Section 53(a) The Award, page 150 ("The award shall be in writing and signed by the arbitrators or a majority of them, shall state only the amount of the award, and, when so signed and transmitted to each of the parties, shall be valid and binding and shall not be subject to review or appeal.").

<sup>6</sup> See Exhibit "4".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Exhibit "1" GLVAR Arbitration Award.

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and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Case, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney's Fees on August 8, 2018.

- 14. This Court entered an order on September 18, 2018 denying Ms. Chan's Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and subsequently entered an order granting Defendants' Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney's Fees and Costs on March 22, 2019.
- 15. Ms. Chan, unwilling to abide by a binding decision issued by the GLVAR, to which she agreed, and the District Court's ruling confirming the arbitration award, filed her Notice of Appeal on April 22, 2019.
- 16. During this entire process, Ms. Chan has been represented by five different law firms and has refused offers at settlement made privately and through the settlement conference required by the Supreme Court of Nevada.
- Ms. Chan has stated that her only desire was to punish Defendants for what she 17. perceives as misconduct. In an email, Ms. Chan stated the following:

Honestly from day one i met you my focus is not the commission, i felt insulted and humiliated, another agent dared challenge me and he really do not know who I am. I have been really sad more than i am angry. Last night i read many court cases. Even though my card has disappeared, it wont hurt me winning. I liked to teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, then I will be very happy to play their game. I got my direction last nite, so i felt peaceful now. All i need KB to understand I don't hate kb for this, and i need them to work with me on my plan. Jana, i dont blame you either and take care of yourself.8

- 18. Ms. Chan has caused Defendants to incur tens of thousands of dollars in attorney's fees and costs, chasing a relatively small commission, due to her unwillingness to settle this matter or acknowledge and accept the GLVAR arbitration award.
- 19. On May 19, 2020, the Supreme Court of Nevada dismissed Ms. Chan's appeal for lack of jurisdiction.

## 8 Exhibit "6".

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## STANDARD OF REVIEW

Upon making a motion, a party is entitled to summary judgment when there are no genuine issues of material fact in dispute and the moving party is entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law.9 In Wood v. Safeway, Inc., the Nevada Supreme Court clarified the standard upon which a motion for summary judgment should be evaluated. It states:

We take this opportunity to put to rest any questions regarding the continued viability of the "slightest doubt" standard . . . Summary judgment is appropriate under NRCP 56 when the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, admissions, and affidavits, if any, that are properly before the court demonstrate that no genuine issue of material fact exists, and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law.10

The Court further clarified the definitions of both genuine and material, stating, "[t]he substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant."11 The Court also stated, "a factual dispute is genuine when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the nonmoving party."12 "The nonmoving party is not entitled to build a case on the **gossamer** threads of whimsy, speculation, and conjecture," and "bears the burden to do more than simply show that there is **some metaphysical doubt**."13 Once the moving party has shown an absence of a genuine dispute as to material facts, the burden shifts to the nonmoving party to set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against that party.14

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10 Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 731, 121 P.3d 1026, 1031 (2005).

<sup>12</sup> Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 731, 121 P.3d 1026, 1031 (2005).

<sup>13</sup> Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 732, 121 P.3d 1026, 1031 (2005) (citations omitted) (emphasis added).

<sup>14</sup> NGA #2 Ltd. Liability Co. v. Rains, 113 Nev. 1151, 1156, 946 P.2d 163, 166-67 (1997).

In Boesiger v. Desert Appraisals, LLC, a recent case from the Supreme Court of Nevada, the Court stated that "Courts should not hesitate to discourage meritless litigation in instances where [...] claims are deficient of evidentiary support and are based on little more than the complainants' conclusory allegations and accusations."15

## LEGAL ANALYSIS

# A. MS. CHAN HAS ACTED VEXATIOUSLY AND WITH THE INTENT OF HARASSING DEFENDANTS AND INCREASING THE COST OF LITIGATION

Ms. Chan's conduct and her own admissions have demonstrated that she did not initiate the lawsuit in good faith, but rather to harass defendants and punish them. Defendants have, from the outset of this litigation, maintained a claim for abuse of process. To establish a valid claim for abuse of process, one must establish "(1) an ulterior purpose [...] other than resolving a legal dispute, and (2) a willful act in the use of the legal process not proper in the regular conduct of the proceeding." 16 To successfully obtain motion for summary judgment on an abuse of process claim, the moving party must "present specific facts that [the nonmoving party] had an ulterior purpose in the underlying lawsuit, other than resolving [their] legal dispute [...] and improperly used the legal process to accomplish that purpose."17

Ms. Chan has already admitted that she has an ulterior motive for filing her lawsuit. In her email, attached as **Exhibit "6"** she states that she "felt insulted and humiliated, **another agent dared challenge me** and he really do not know who I am." 18 She continues: "I liked to teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen **i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use**. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money,

<sup>15</sup> Boesiger v. Desert Appraisals, LLC, 135 Nev., Advance Opinion 25 (2019).

<sup>16</sup> LaMantia v. Redisi, 118 Nev. 27, 30, 38 P.3d 877, 879 (2002).

<sup>17</sup> Id at 31, 880.

<sup>18</sup> Exhibit "6".

then I will be very happy to play their game." <sup>19</sup> In her own words, she has admitted that she filed the lawsuit, not because of a valid legal dispute, but because she wanted to avenge her pride and teach the Defendants a lesson. She even talks about how she has enough money to carry a lawsuit and make them pay attorney's fees to keep up with her. More importantly, Ms. Chan knew that she was ethically bound to take the matter to binding arbitration before the GLVAR, RATHER THAN LITIGATE. This is a clear ulterior motive, and Ms. Chan cannot point to any specific fact on the record to indicate otherwise. Indeed, her conduct during the lawsuit has also been vexatious and improper. The Court can readily see from the multiple and vexatious pleadings in this matter that this is not a lawsuit launched with the simple intent to force payment of a commission. That could have easily been handled solely through binding arbitration with GLVAR, with no need for Court intervention. This litigation was meant to financially punish the defendants for daring to play in Ms. Chan's sandbox, or in other words compete with her for real estate clients, particularly those who were of Chinese descent.

Ms. Chan improperly used the legal system to accomplish her ulterior motive. First, she fraudulently represented that she possessed a broker registration card identifying her as Dr. Chiu's agent. This was not true, yet Ms. Chan alleges in her initial complaint that "Plaintiff Chan located a buyer registration card and Defendant Chiu filled in the buyer portion and Plaintiff Chan filled in the realtor portion."20 Ms. Chan never had such a card, yet she continued to claim that she did, to the point of including it in her original complaint and trying to take the commission by claiming she possessed the card. Not only did Ms. Chan misrepresent the existence of the buyer registration card, she also filed this lawsuit in contravention of her responsibility to seek arbitration through GLVAR. She filed this civil suit prior to seeking

**Exhibit "6"**.

<sup>20</sup> See Ms. Chan's *Complaint* at 3:24-25.

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resolution through arbitration, and only agreed to stay the case when Defendants threatened her with sanctions. She also breached the Agreement to Arbitrate, in which she specifically agreed to abide by the arbitration award. Her conduct during the litigation has been inappropriate and has only served as evidence of her desire to run-up costs and punish the Defendants. She has propagated this litigation, at the expense of tens of thousands of dollars, yet she can only recover, at most, the \$13,000.00 commission held by GLVAR. This court has even entered a partial award of attorney's fees against Ms. Chan.

Ms. Chan cannot provide any specific facts to show that she has not abused the legal system while litigating that matter. Her intentions have been clear from the beginning: vengeance on those who dared cross her. She has used the assistance of five different law firms to accomplish this task. The matter has been before the GLVAR Arbitration panel, this Court, the Supreme Court of Nevada, and has now been remanded back to this Court. Ms. Chan is the posterchild of one who abuses the legal system to accomplish her own ulterior motive.

Ms. Chan filed an inappropriate appeal to try to delay execution of the order this court issued granting payment of attorney's fees. She has used the legal process in an attempt to bully defendants into giving up their rightful share of the commission. Defendant has incurred tens of thousands in legal fees caused by Ms. Chan's pride.

## B. THIS COURT SHOULD AWARD THE REMAINING FEES PLAINTIFFS HAVE INCURRED DUE TO MS. CHAN'S LITIGIOUS BEHAVIOR AND BREACH OF **CONTRACT**

Defendants request that the Court award its attorneys' fees related to this litigation. EDCR 7.60(b) allows the Court to "impose upon an attorney or a party any and all sanctions which may, under the facts of the case, be reasonable, including the imposition of fines, costs or attorney's fees when an attorney or a party without just cause" "[p]resents to the court a motion

Moreover, in the Agreement to Arbitrate Chan explicitly agreed as follows: "In the event I do not comply with the award and it is necessary for any party to obtain judicial confirmation and enforcement of the award against me, Lagree to pay that party costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred obtaining such confirmation and enforcement." 22 Moreover, this Court has already entered a partial award of attorney's fees against Ms. Chan in the September 22, 2018 Order. More than one year has passed since that last order and Defendants have incurred more fees combating Ms. Chan's filings in this Court and in the Supreme Court of Nevada. Since the fee award to Ms. Chan back in late 2018, Defendants have incurred another \$35,034.58 trying to combat Ms. Chan's appeal. In total, Defendants have incurred \$110,625.85 in fees trying to collect the funds held by the GLVAR,. This Court awarded \$21,435.00 in fees and \$920.83 in costs in the March 22, 2019 Order.23 Therefore, Defendants have incurred \$88,270.02, which is the total amount less the \$22,355.83 previously awarded by this Court.

"[I]n determining the amount of fees to award, the court is not limited to one specific approach; its analysis may begin with any method rationally designed to calculate a reasonable amount . . . . "24 Nevada courts have long relied upon the factors in Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank to determine reasonability of fees, including:

(1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation;

<sup>21</sup> EDCR 7.60(b)(1), (3).

**Exhibit "4"**, P0001, ¶ 5 (emphasis added).

<sup>23</sup> See Exhibit "3".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Shuette v. Beazer Homes Holding Corp., 121 Nev. 837, 864, 124 P.3d 530 (2005).

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(3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived. 25

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

A. Brunzell Factor #1: "the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill"26

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

Keith D. Routsong, Esq. is a graduate of the Brigham Young University and the University of Nebraska Lincoln College of Law. His practice focuses primarily in probate and trust litigation as well as general litigation, such as the present matter.

B. Brunzell Factor #2: "the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation"<sup>27</sup>

This matter has involved unnecessary briefing and research, motion practice before this Court before Chan made any attempt to arbitrate this matter, followed by refusal by Chan to comply with the Award. Chan completely disregarded the requirement of seeking procedural review of the Award before the GLVAR, and now seeks to prolong this matter further by continuing litigation before this Court without any legal basis to do so. Chan filed an unnecessary appeal and forced this matter to drag on for years.

<sup>25</sup> Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank, 85 Nev. 345, 349, 455 P.2d 31, 33 (1969).

<sup>26</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

<sup>27</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

Chan has demonstrated absolute resolve in making these proceedings as expensive and harmful to the Defendants as she possibly can. 28 Individuals with a right to a commission like Wu should not be forced to incur legal fees and costs that far exceed the commission to protect their right to the same. Nor should Chan be permitted to use the judiciary as an indiscriminate weapon against anyone who dare contradict her.

# C. Brunzell Factor #3: "the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work"29

Chan's attempt to obtain funds to which she is not entitled and litigate against Defendants has required investment of a substantial amount of time and effort to prepare and provide a proper defense, including against motion practice unwarranted under the GLVAR ethical rules binding on Chan. Defendants have received representation through this district court case, through arbitration proceedings, through mediation and through an illegitimate appeal. Chan's attorney's have performed a substantial amount of work combating Ms. Chan's inappropriate litigation.

# D. Brunzell Factor #4: "the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived" 30

Defendants have already been successful in demonstrating to the GLVAR that they were entitled to the majority of the funds at issue in this matter. Specifically, \$10,346.49 of \$13,795.32 was awarded to Wu. Defendants also prevailed previously in demonstrating that arbitration was required and that Chan had failed to proceed with arbitration instead of filing the complaint that initiated this action. Chan specifically acknowledged in the Agreement to

<sup>28</sup> Exhibit "6" ("So happen i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, then I will be very happy to play their game.").

<sup>29</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

<sup>30</sup> Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349.

Arbitrate that fees and costs incurred to enforce the Award against her would be payable by her.

Defendants' attorney's have successfully had the inappropriate appeal dismissed as well.

While "good judgment would dictate that each of these factors be given consideration by the trier of fact and that no one element should predominate or be given undue weight,"31 each factor strongly supports an award of attorneys' fees and costs in favor of Defendants. Thus, Defendants request an award of attorney fees and costs pursuant to EDCR 7.60(b) and the Agreement to Arbitrate.

# C. PLAINTIFF'S COMMISSIONS AWARDED BY THE GLVAR ARBITRATION PANEL SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO BLACKROCK LEGAL, LLC

The commissions earned by the procuring agent in the sale of the Subject Property were deposited with the GLVAR escrow account pending the outcome of Chan's endless litigation. Defendants request that the Court order, that in addition to the portion of the Commission already awarded to the Defendants, that the money to be distributed and the award to Chan of \$3,448.83 be assigned to Blackrock Legal in partial satisfaction of the fees incurred in this litigation. Additionally, Defendants request that the \$3,448.83 be deposited into Blackrock Legal, LLC's client trust account.

NRS 21.320 allows a Court to "order any property of the judgment debtor not exempt from execution, in the hands of such debtor or any other person, or due to the judgment debtor, to be applied toward the satisfaction of the judgment." Furthermore, NRS 21.080 goes into more depth as to which Property is liable to execution. It states, in part, that "all goods, chattels, money and other property, real and personal, of the judgment debtor, or any interest therein of the judgment debtor not exempt by law, and all property and rights of property seized and held under attachment in the action, are liable to execution."

31 Brunzell, 85 Nev. at 349-50.

permitting execution against specific kinds of property must be liberally construed for the benefit of the creditors." The general rule, according to the Court in Sportsco, is that "if the interest is assignable or transferrable, it is subject to execution." In other words, the Court has broad discretion to permit execution of nearly all property interests belonging to the judgment debtor to ensure the satisfaction of a judgment creditor's interest.

The Nevada Supreme Court held, in Sportsco Enters. v. Morris, that the "statutes

In the present case GLVAR holds \$3,448.83 of the Judgment debtor's executable funds. According to Sportsco, the Court has wide latitude to allow execution of funds to satisfy the interests of a judgment creditor. The proceeds held by GLVAR, constituting Chan's portion of the Commission awarded by the binding arbitration panel can be assigned or transferred and are thus subject to execution. Thus, the Court should issue an order allowing Defendants to execute on the commission held by GLVAR to partially satisfy the amount of attorney's fees Defendants have incurred in this litigation.

# D. THIS COURT SHOULD RELEASE THE SUPERSEDEAS BOND TO PLAINTIFFS

This Court should release the supersedeas bond Ms. Chan posted to the Defendants. Supersedeas bonds are governed by NRCP 62(d)(1), which permits appellants to "obtain a stay by supersedeas bond." The Supreme Court of Nevada has expanded upon the purpose of supersedeas bonds. In McCulloch v. Jeakins, the Supreme Court of Nevada stated that "[t]he purpose of a supersedeas bond is to protect the prevailing party from loss resulting from a stay of execution of the judgment."32 In other words, a supersedeas bond is posted to protect the party who has received a judgment against a party who appeals the judgment. This is the exact situation in this matter.

32 McCulloch v. Jeakins, 99 Nev. 122 (Nev. March 1, 1983).

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The bond posted by Ms. Chan on May 7, 2019 for \$33,533.75 covered the amount of the award of attorney's fees of \$21,435.00 and costs of \$920.83 as well as pre and post judgment interest.33 As the McCulloch case states, the purpose of such a bond is to protect the prevailing party from loss "resulting from a stay of execution of the judgment." 34 Ms. Chan posted the bond to prevent Defendants from executing on the award of attorney's fees they received on March 22, 2019. Ms. Chan's appeal was dismissed for lack of jurisdiction on May 14, 2020. This Court should order that the bond posted by Ms. Chan should be released to Defendants in satisfaction of the fees granted in the March 22, 2019 Order. Collecting the amount awarded to Defendants in the March 22, 2019 will be difficult if the bond is not released to Defendants. Furthermore, Ms. Chan has demonstrated an unwillingness to put aside her pride and comply with Court orders. Releasing the bond to Defendants will ensure that Defendants collect the amount awarded by this Court in attorney's fees and costs.

## **CONCLUSION**

This matter needs to be put to an end. Ms. Chan has propagated unnecessary and spiteful litigation against the Defendants since 2106. She has caused them to incur over \$100,000.00 in legal fees in a feeble attempt to mend her bruised ego. Summary judgment on the abuse of process claim is appropriate. Ms. Chan's own words show that she abused the legal system out of spite. Defendants' legal fees must be awarded and the Defendants should be permitted to execute on the funds held by the GLVAR that were originally awarded to Ms. Chan. The supersedeas bond that Ms. Chan posted should be released to Defendants and they should be permitted to seek additional recovery from Ms. Chan for her inappropriate actions.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for an order as follows:

33 See Exhibit "3".

34 McCulloch v. Jeakins, 99 Nev. 122 (Nev. March 1, 1983).

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1.	That this Court grant the motion for summary judgment on Defendants' abuse of
process claims	s and award damages pursuant to such claim in the amount of \$88,270.02:

- 2. Or in the alternative that this Court grant Defendants' request for an award of attorney's fees totaling \$88,270.02 for breach of contract and/or pursuant to EDCR 7.60(b);
- 3. That this Court order that the commissions held in the GLVAR escrow account totaling \$10,346.49be immediately distributed to the Blackrock Legal Trust Account;
- 4. That this Court order the clerk to issue a Writ of Execution assigning the commissions awarded to BETTY CHAN by the GLVAR Arbitration Panel on April 17, 2018 in the amount of \$3,448.83 to BLACKROCK LEGAL, LLC in partial satisfaction of fees and costs awarded to Defendants;
- That the Court order the funds to be deposited into BLACKROCK LEGAL,
   LLC's client trust account;
- 6. That the Clerk of the Court immediately release the supersedeas bond posted by BETTY CHAN in the amount of \$33,533.75 to Defendants and the check be deposited into the BLACKROCK LEGAL LLC client trust account; and,
  - For such other and further relief as is just and proper.
     DATED this 4th day of JUNE 2020.

## BLACKROCK LEGAL

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Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu

# EXHIBIT "1"



April 27, 2018

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

VIA EMAIL and CERTIFIED MAIL

RE: Arbitration Case #16201A

Dear Mr. Wayne Wu,

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

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

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

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



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Thank you for participating in the Arbitration process.

Sincerely

Ingrid Trillo, Director

**GLVAR Professional Standards** 

Enclosures:

A12 Award of Arbitrators

A13 (Appeal) Request for Procedural Review (Arbitration)

A7 Notice of Right to Challenge Tribunal Members Designation of Counsel

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





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#### Form #A-12

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

Case #16201A

#### Award of Arbitrators

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

The deposits of the parties shall be used to cover the costs of arbitration or shall go into the general operating funds of the Association of REALTORS. In the event the award of the arbitrators is in an amount other than that requested by any of the parties, the disposition of the deposits shall be directed by the arbitrators.

Requests for procedural review of the arbitration hearing procedures must be filed in writing with the President within twenty (20) days after the award has been transmitted to the parties\* and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$250.00 .\*\*The request for procedural review must cite the alleged procedural deficiencies or other irregularities the party believes constitute a deprivation of due process. If no procedural review is filed within twenty (20) days following transmittal of the award and the non-prevailing party does not notify the Professional Standards Administrator that a legal challenge to the validity of the award has been initiated during that time, the award will be paid from the escrow or trust account. If a procedural review request is timely filed and the award is confirmed by the directors following the procedural review, the award will be paid from the escrow or trust unless the non-prevailing party advises the association in writing within fifteen (15) days from the transmittal of the directors' confirmation that a suit challenging the validity of the award has been filed. If the directors invalidate the award, the funds shall be returned to the individual who made the deposit.

Dated:	April 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2018		
Arbitrators:			
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Many arbitration hearings are convened to determine questions of procuring cause. For purposes of arbitration conducted by Boards and Associations of REALTORS ", procuring cause is considered to be the initiation of the unbroken chain of causal events that results in a successful transaction, defined as a sale that closes or a lease that is executed.

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<sup>\*</sup>Award becomes final twenty (20) days from the date the award is transmitted absent a procedural review request being filed.

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

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

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

In the case of: Betty Chan, (Broker) Asian American Realty  Complainant	vs. Wayne Wu (Agent), Judith Sullivan(Broker) Respondent
I (we),, do hereby request	
above-cited case before the Board of Directors of the	
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of \$ 250.00 * made payable to the Greater Las	Vegas Association of Realtors ®.
NOTE: Only those facts and issues raised in this written request will hearing.	be considered by the Board of Directors at the procedural review
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<sup>\*</sup>Not to exceed \$500.

Form #A-7

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

CASE NO.:

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

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# DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL (Arbitration)

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I,representation in a	, do hereby designate the following counsel for all aspects of these proceedings (please check one):
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9/18/2018 11:12 AM Steven D. Grierson ORD CLERK OF THE COURT MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 6076 2 ROMAN C. HARPER, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 14374 3 Goodsell & Olsen, LLP 10155 W. Twain Ave., Suite 100 4 Las Vegas, Nevada 89147 Tel: (702) 869-6261 5 Fax: (702) 869-8243 mike@goodsellolsen.com 6 roman@goodsellolsen.com Attorneys for Defendants/Counterclaimants 7 Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu 8 DISTRICT COURT 9 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 10 BETTY CHAN and ASIAN AMERICAN Case No: A-16-744109-C (702) 869-6261 Tel - (702) 869-8243 FAX REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, 11 Dept. No: XX Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants, 12 ORDER DENYING MOTION TO VACATE OR MODIFY 13 WAYNE WU, JUDITH SULLIVAN, ARBITRATION AWARD NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP., JERRIN 14 CHIU, KB HOME SALES - NEVADA INC., 15 Defendants/Counterclaimants. 16 APPEARANCES 17 Michael A. Olsen, Esq. of Goodsell & Olsen, LLP, on behalf of Wayne Wu, Judith 18 Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., and Jerrin Chiu, Defendants/Counterclaimants. 19 Todd E. Kennedy, Esq. of Kennedy & Couvillier, PLLC on behalf of Betty Chan and 20 Asian American Realty & Property Management, Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants. 21 This matter came on for hearing on August 22, 2018 before the Honorable Eric Johnson 22 regarding Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants' Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award 23 (hereafter "Motion to Vacate"), and Defendants/Counterclaimants' Opposition to Motion to 24 Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring 25 Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees (hereafter "Countermotion"). The Court

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

#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

	6.	Notwithstanding, the Court finds that Nevada law does not prohibit splitting a
comm	ission	between two individuals both claiming to be the procuring cause and therefore
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that w	ould ju	stify modifying or vacating the Award.

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

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

1	f. It is further ordered that the stay ordered by the Court pending resolution	of the
2	arbitration is lifted.	
3	IT IS SO ORDERED this / of AUGUST 2018.	
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6	DISTRICT COURT JUDGE ERIC JOHNSON	KM
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This matter came on for hearing on October 31, 2018 before the Honorable Eric Johnson presiding on the Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees [and costs] (hereafter "Countermotion") and Plaintiffs Opposition to recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees. The Court having read and considered the papers and pleadings on file, having heard oral arguments made at the time of hearing, and good cause appearing, therefore the Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

#### FINDINGS OF FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

#### A. COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT GRANTED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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- 11. The Court hereby ORDERS attorney's fees in the amount of \$21,435.00. The Court finds this amount is reasonable and actually incurred by Defendants in enforcing the arbitration award. The Court is awarding attorney fees after the entry of the arbitration award and Plaintiffs' filing of its Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, starting on July 25, 2018. The Court declines to award fees requested on the invoices dated December 31, 2016, January 31, 2017, and February 28, 2017, as the redactions made to Plaintiffs' counsel's billing records prevent the Court from determining if those fees were reasonable and necessary. The Court has reviewed the remaining fees and finds they were reasonable and appropriate for litigating the matter and in keeping with attorney fees for such work in Southern Nevada. The Court further finds that the Brunzell factors have been met for the reasons stated in Defendant's Countermotion for Attorney Fees and Costs as set forth below.
- 12. When determining an award of attorneys' fees and costs, Nevada courts have long relied upon the factors in Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank. These four factors analyze (1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived.
- 13. **Brunzell Factor #1**: "the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill". Counsel for Defendants, Michael A. Olsen, Esq. is a founding partner of his firm and has been a member of the State Bar of Nevada for over twenty years. He is a graduate of Utah State University and BYU's J. Reuben Clark Law School. His abilities as an advocate have been recognized through numerous awards and honors,

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

- 14. Brunzell Factor #2: "the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation" This matter involved complex legal issues including a determination of procuring cause and whether the Arbitration Panel exceeded its authority pursuant to Nevada statute. Because the Plaintiff elected to contest the validity of the Arbitration award it became incumbent on Defendant to defend the award and have it confirmed by the Court. Defendant was successful in confirming and enforcing the Arbitration Award.
- 15. Brunzell Factor #3: "the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work". The Plaintiffs attempt to set aside the Arbitration Award and to further litigate against the Defendants has required investment of a substantial amount of time and effort to prepare and provide a proper defense, including against motion practice initiated by the Plaintiffs. The fees and costs awarded were reasonably incurred in defending the actions taken by Plaintiffs in this matter as set forth in detail above.
- 16. Brunzell Factor #4: "the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived". Defendants were ultimately successful in upholding and enforcing the Arbitration Award, recognizing Wu as the procuring cause and thereby securing summary judgment in favor of the Defendants.
- 17. While "good judgment would dictate that each of these factors be given consideration by the trier of fact and that no one element should predominate or be given undue weight," each factor strongly supports an award of attorneys' fees and costs in the favor of Defendants.

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

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

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DISTRICT COURT JUDGE 35

**ERIC JOHNSON** 

Prepared and submitted by:

IT IS SO ORDERED this

MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESO.

Nevada Bar No. 6076

THOMAS R. GROVER, ESQ.

21 Nevada Bar No. 12387

GOODSELL & OLSEN, LLP

Attorneys for Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu

#### Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTOI-1750 E. Sahara AV., Las Vegas, NV 89104 (702) 784-5052

#### REQUEST AND AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE (MEMBER) PAGES 2, 3, 4 AND 5 MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND SUBMITTED WITH A SUMMARY AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS OR YOUR COMPLAINT WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU.

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- 6. I have enclosed my check in the sum of \$500.00 for the arbitration filing deposit of commissions of \$501.00 and above. I have enclosed my check in the sum of \$100.00 for the arbitration filing deposit of commissions \$500.00 and below which I understand is refundable to the prevailing party or if arbitration does not take place.
- 7. I understand that I may be represented by counsel and that I must provide written notice no less than (15) fifteen days before the hearing of the name, address and phone number of my attorney to all parties and the Association. Failure to provide this notice may result in a continuance of the hearing, if the Hearing Panel determines that the rights of the other party (ies) require representation.

All parties appearing at a hearing may be called as a witness without advance notice.

Notice of witnesses and legal and/or REALTOR® Counsel must be submitted at least 15 days prior to the hearing date. Each party shall arrange for his witnesses to be present at the time and place designates for the hearing. The following REALTOR® non-principal (or REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® nonprincipal) affiliated with my firm has a financial interest in the outcome of the proceeding and has the right to be present throughout the hearing:

- 8. I declare this application and the allegations contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and this request for arbitration is filed within one hundred eighty (180) days after the closing of the transaction, if any, or within one hundred eighty (180) days after the facts constituting the arbitrable matter could have been in the exercise of reasonable diligence, whichever is later.
- 9. If either party to an arbitration request believes that the Grievance Committee has incorrectly classified the issue presented in the request (i.e., mandatory or voluntary), the party has twenty (20) days from the date of receipt of the Grievance Committee's decision to file a written appeal of the decision. Only those materials that the Grievance Committee had at the time of its determination may be considered with the appeal by the Board of Directors.
- 10. Are the circumstances giving rise to this arbitration request the subject of civil litigation? xx Yes No
- 11. Important note related to arbitration conducted pursuant to Standards of Practice 17-4 (1) or (2): Where arbitration is conducted between two (or more) cooperating brokers pursuant to Standards of Practice 17-4 (1) or (2), the amount in dispute and the amount of any potential resulting award is limited to the amount paid to the respondent by the listing broker, seller, or landlord and any amount credited or paid to a party to the transaction at the direction of the respondent.
- 12. Address of the property in the transaction given rise to this arbitration request 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, NV89138
   13. The sale/lease closed on: May 27 2016

Agreements to arbitrate are irrevocable except as otherwise provided under state law.

By submission of this complaint and / or response, I consent to receive communications sent from the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® via U.S. Mail, e-mail telephone or facsimile at the numbers and locations noted by you on this form. This permission includes all future U.S. mailing address, e-mail, telephone, which I might supply to the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®. Permission continues until / unless specifically revoked, in writing, to the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®.

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Broker's Name (print): Betty Chan	Agent's Name (print); Betty Chan
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NOTE: This Association offers voluntary mediation, binding only if parties reach a written, signed settlement.

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# EXHIBIT "5"

PECCOLE PROFESSIONAL PARK 10080 WEST ALTA DRIVE, SUITE 200 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89145 702.385.2500 FAX 702.385.2086 HUTCHLEGAL.COM JEFFREY R. HALL PARTNER JHALL@HUTCHLEGAL.COM

FILE NO. 6495-001

March 24, 2016

First American Title Karen Patton 8311 W. Sunset Road, #150 Las Vegas, NV 89113 kapatton@firstam.com

Re: ESCROW NO. 112-249-8656

This firm represents Betty Chan with respect to the payment of a commission from the sale of the property located at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138. Ms. Chan was the procuring cause of the sale of the home to Jerrin Chiu. She showed the property to Mr. Chiu on December 31, 2015. Mr. Chiu signed a broker registration identifying Ms. Chan as his agent on the same day. Subsequently, Mr. Chiu used a different broker, Wayne Wu, to close the transaction despite Ms. Chan showing Mr. Chiu the property. Ms. Chan disputes any commission payment to Mr. Wu since she was the procuring cause of the sale on the buyer's side of the transaction.

As you are aware, the broker who is the procuring cause of the sale is entitled to the commission for the sale. See Schneider v. Biglieri, 94 Nev. 426, 427, 581 P.2d 8, 9 (1978); Bartsas Realty, Inc. v. Leverton, 82 Nev. 6, 409 P.2d 627 (1966). The broker's presence at the sale is not required for that broker to earn his or her commission. See Horton v. Colbron, 60 Wyo. 263, 150 P.2d 315, 319 (1944). Ms. Chan became the procuring cause of the sale when she showed the property to Mr. Chiu as Mr. Chiu's broker.

By this correspondence, you have been made aware of Ms. Chan's claim to the buyer's commission from the sale of at 477 Cabral Peak Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89138 to Mr. Chiu. In the event that buyer's commission's paid to anyone other than Ms. Chan as a result of this transaction, we will pursue the recovery of that commission from the payee. Ms. Chan reserves all rights against any party that pays or receives a buyer's commission for this transaction to anyone other than her.

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Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

HUTCHISON & STEFFEN

Jeffrey R. Hall For the Firm

cc: Wayne Wu Anthony C. Gordon Jerrin Chiu

Betty Chan

## EXHIBIT "6"

teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, then i will be very happy to play their game. I got my direction last nite, so i felt peaceful now. All i need KB to understand I dont hate KB for this, and i need them to work with me on my plan. Jana, i dont blame you either and take care of yourself.



Betty Chan <aaroffer@gmail.com>

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7025951268@mms.att.net < 7025951268@mms.att.net > To: aaroffer@gmail.com

Fri, Feb 5, 2016 at 6:01 PM

Honestly from day one i met you my focus is not on the commission, i felt insulted and humiliated, another agent dared challenge me and he really do not know who I am. I have been really sad more than i am angry. Last night i read many court cases. Even though my card was disappeared, it wont hurt me winning. I liked to

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## **EXHIBIT "7"**

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Respondents.

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#### ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This court previously ordered appellants to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. Appellants have filed a response and respondents have filed a reply.<sup>1</sup>

First, it appeared that the March 22, 2019, order may not be appealable under NRS 38.247(1)(c) as an order confirming an arbitration award because that order does not actually confirm an arbitration award. The order merely states that it affirms the previous confirmation order, entered September 18, 2018. To the extent the March 22, 2019, order can be construed as an order confirming the arbitration award, it appeared superfluous and unappealable. See Campos-Garcia v. Johnson, 130 Nev. 610, 331 P.3d 890 (2014).

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cc: Hon. Eric Johnson, District Judge James A. Kohl, Settlement Judge Frizell Law Firm, PLLC Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman, LLP/Las Vegas Blackrock Legal, LLC Eighth District Court Clerk

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#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATE**



STATE OF NEVADA, ss.

I, Elizabeth A. Brown, the duly appointed and qualified Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, do hereby certify that the following is a full, true and correct copy of the Judgment in this matter.

#### **JUDGMENT**

The court being fully advised in the premises and the law, it is now ordered, adjudged and decreed, as follows:

"ORDERS this appeal DISMISSED."

Judgment, as quoted above, entered this 14 day of May, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Supreme Court at my Office in Carson City, Nevada this June 08, 2020.

Elizabeth A. Brown, Supreme Court Clerk

By: Kaitlin Meetze
Administrative Assistant

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### **REMITTITUR**

TO: Steven D. Grierson, Eighth District Court Clerk

Pursuant to the rules of this court, enclosed are the following:

Certified copy of Judgment and Opinion/Order. Receipt for Remittitur.

DATE: June 08, 2020

Elizabeth A. Brown, Clerk of Court

By: Kaitlin Meetze

Administrative Assistant

cc (without enclosures):

Hon. Eric Johnson, District Judge Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman, LLP/Las Vegas \ Janice M. Michaels Blackrock Legal, LLC

Frizell Law Firm, PLLC \ Robert Duane Frizell

### RECEIPT FOR REMITTITUR

Received of Elizabeth A. Brown, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, the REMITTITUR issued in the above-entitled cause, on
HEATHER UNGERMANN
Deputy District Court Clerk

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**TRAN** 1 2 DISTRICT COURT 3 4 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 5 BETTY CHAN, 6 CASE NO. A-16-744109-C 7 DEPT. XX Plaintiff, 8 VS. 9 WAYNE WU, 10 Defendant. 11 BEFORE THE HONORABLE ERIC JOHNSON, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE 12 13 **TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2020** 14 TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO STRIKE OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE TO 15 EXTEND BRIEFING AND CONTINUE THE HEARING ON 16 **DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT** 17 **APPEARANCES:** 18 19

For the Plaintiff: DUANE R. FRIZELL, ESQ.

Appearing telephonically

For the Defendant: MICHAEL A. OLSEN, ESQ.

Appearing via BlueJeans

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THE COURT: All right. Betty Chan versus Wayne Wu.

Case Number A744109. Counsel, please note your appearances for the record.

MR. FRIZELL: Your Honor, good morning. This is Duane Frizell here on behalf of the Plaintiffs.

MR. OLSEN: Good morning, Your Honor. Michael Olsen on behalf of the Defendants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp and Jerin Chiu.

THE COURT: All right. This is on for Plaintiff's Motion to Strike or in the Alternative to Extend Briefing and Continue the Hearing on Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment on an Order Shortening Time.

We have right now the Motion for Summary Judgment or in the Alternative for Award of Attorney's fees, for Writ of Execution for -- on Plaintiff's Commissions Awarded, et cetera, set for next week on July 7th, which is why I went ahead and did the order shortening time.

I'll start off with I will deny the Motion to Strike. I agree with Defendant's position that in view of the Supreme Court's ruling, the Court did not ever at any time technically lose jurisdiction of the case and so the motion was not a rogue motion and so I'll deny that aspect of it.

I guess -- let me -- Mr. Frizell, you know, I don't see a lot of -- I know Covid's out there, I appreciate you're a solo practitioner, but if you were close to getting something done, you know, why not just go ahead and file it and ask to file it late because it seems now we've wasted a week or so trying to -- that we could have been moving this thing forward?

MR. FRIZELL: And I appreciate that, Your Honor. Let me just say this is that I was trying to get to it so that I could get it done based on their two-day extension that Opposing Counsel has given me; however, as it turned the appellate brief that I was working on ended up taking much, much longer than I was anticipating and I had some other events come up as well.

I would say, Your Honor, that there's plenty of security here going on. I mean, there's plenty of security for the Defendants. There's money in escrow, there's a supersedeas bond, and in terms of the appeal, you know, on the merits too, Your Honor -- I mean, the Supreme Court has already denied the Defendant's Motion for Attorney's fees, I don't -- you know, it wasn't a jurisdictional issue.

My client took the appeal at a time when she should because this is going to be reappealed at the end per the statute. It's going to reappealed once there's a final judgment. And I think we're looking at coming towards finality.

This case, the motion that is presently before the Court in terms of the Defendant's motion is seeking to -- not only to get

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24 25 summary judgment on their main claim of abuse of process, but also to have funds released to them and also to get a Writ of Execution -- go forward with the execution, although with current planning, I don't think execution is going to be permissible per the administrative orders of the Court.

The point here is, Your Honor, that I understand that Counsel wanted to move forward, but I don't think there's any exigent or compelling reasons why that this case cannot be continued at least for a few -- for a week or for enough time for us to get it done. I just -- Your Honor, the motion was filed and my schedule was the way it was and usually when I ask Counsel for an extension or Counsel asks me, you know, it's routine practice -- it's professional courtesy. And, you know, I did what I could to try to get to it as soon as I can, but Your Honor, I just need more time.

THE COURT: All right. Turning to Defense. I tend to agree with you. I probably have sufficient basis as outlined in your response to deny the motion, but this case as you well know has had a long, long proceeding and if we are going to be looking at a summary judgment motion, I just don't want to have any outstanding issues out there.

I'm inclined to allow Mr. Frizell to have until next Tuesday to file an Opposition. And I give you until the following Monday to file any sort of Reply and then we'll set it on calendar on the 14th.

Let me ask you, Mr. Olsen, how upset would you be at that plan?

1	MR. OLSEN: Your Honor, I appreciate the Court's position
2	and I'm fine with that. I wish I could say that I was surprised to hear
3	that another appeal is coming given that both orders that were
4	challenged were deemed unappealable but it doesn't surprise me
5	given this case, I'll just say that. And I have to be honest in saying
6	that this is one of the more frustrating cases I've ever dealt with in
7	25 years of practice.
8	But having said that, I think that we do want to avoid any
9	additional, possible appealable issues and so let's go ahead and
10	move forward with that schedule. I'll have my Reply filed let's
11	see that will be Monday. So the Opposition will be due the 7th, is
12	that correct?
13	THE COURT: That yes.
14	THE CLERK: Yes.
15	MR. OLSEN: And then my Reply will be due the following
16	Monday, which is what date?
17	THE CLERK: 13th. July 13th.
18	MR. OLSEN: Good enough. We'll have it in.
19	THE COURT: And I can set it
20	THE CLERK: Now this is the motion that was set for next
21	week?
22	THE COURT: Yeah, this is the motion
23	THE CLERK: So we'll have to continue that.
24	THE COURT: Continue that I guess until the 21st.
25	THE CLERK: Uh-huh.

1	THE COURT: All right. Mr. Frizell, is that okay?
2	MR. FRIZELL: Yes, Your Honor. Thank you very much.
3	THE COURT: All right. Let's see if we can get this thing
4	done one way or another. Or if we need to do some you know,
5	do some more hearings or trials or whatever, let's just get it done.
6	All right. That will be the Order of the Court. Do you
7	have you announced that?
8	THE CLERK: No. Mr. Frizell to file by July 7th, Mr. Olsen
9	to file by July 13th, and we'll have hearing on July 21st and 8:30.
10	MR. OLSEN: Okay. I'm sorry, the hearing was the 21st
11	then. Okay.
12	THE CLERK: Yes.
13	MR. OLSEN: Thank you.
14	THE COURT: All right. Thank you, guys.
15	MR. FRIZELL: Thank you, Your Honor.
16	[Proceeding concluded at 9:24 a.m.]
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Memorandum of Points and Authorities below, the pleadings and papers on file in this action, and the arguments of counsel made at a hearing on these matters, if any. In this connection, Plaintiffs would respectfully show the Court as follows:

### **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

#### I. PLAINTIFFS' OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS' MOTION.

### A. Introduction and Summary of the Argument.

The present opposition is made to Defendants' Motion For Summary Judgment, Or In The Alternative, For Contractual Award Of Attorney's Fees, For Writ Of Execution On Plaintiff's Commissions Awarded By GLVAR Arbitration Panel And Release Of Bond Deposited On Appeal (filed Jun. 4,2020) [hereinafter "Second MSJ" or "2nd MSJ"]. This Court has already denied Plaintiffs MSJ for abuse of process one time before. (Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion to Formally Resolve Motion for Reconsideration and to Certify Judgment as Final—and—Countermotion for Summary Judgment on Abuse of Process Claim (filed Jan. 16, 2020) [hereinafter "First MSJ" or "1st MSJ"]; Order On Plaintiffs' Motion To Formally Resolve Motion For Reconsideration And To Certify Judgment As Final—And—Countermotion For Summary Judgment On Abuse Of Process Claim (entered Mar. 10, 2020). Now, pouring old wine into new bottles, they bring the same motion for a second time. The Court should deny it once again.

Assassination of character. Argumentum ad hominem. Insults and disparagement. With respect to their abuse of process claim, that is all Defendants got. For example, they raise to totally immaterial and irrelevant of Plaintiffs' prior counsel. Specifically, they state: "Ms. Chan ... has had five different law firms represent her in this matter ...." (2nd MSJ at p.3). To what end? Obviously, Defendants are trying to impugn the integrity of Ms. Chan and, by implication, the validity of her case. That is patently improper.

What is more, her present counsel has represented her for well over year. Her present counsel is bilingual in English and Mandarin-Chinese. He also has a master's degree in Asian studies. He currently has a substantial Chinese clientele. Thus, he has a way of relating with Chinese natives that other non-Chinese may not have. Ms. Chan was born in Hong Kong and is not a native English speaker, although she is highly proficient in the language. More importantly, at times, Ms. Chan may have cultural expectations that differ from what an American-born attorney may have. These matters likely explain the previous changes in attorneys. It is grossly inappropriate for Defendants to try to insult Ms. Chan at all, especially on this ground.

Defendants continually cast Ms. Chan as a "vexatious" litigant because she will simply not sit down, shut up, and accept a GLVAR award. This is also grossly inappropriate. Ms. Chan has only exercised her constitutionally protected right to appeal an arbitration award to the Courts. The process was even allowed by GLVAR itself. She has also had to defend herself against Defendants' baseless counterclaim for abuse of process – and their litany of motions, countermotions, and other pleadings made in connection therewith. Defendants even opposed Ms. Chan's motion to take the matter to arbitration before GLVAR in the first place. That is inexplicable. Ms. Chan has done nothing wrong.

On the merits, Defendants MSJ on their abuse of process counterclaim and their motions for attorney fees, execution, and release of bond should be denied. Their MSJ is baseless because they have provided insufficient evidence of an "ulterior motive" on the part of Plaintiffs. At worst, they show "bad intent," but that is insufficient for an abuse-of-process claim. Defendants also have absolutely no evidence—none—of Plaintiffs improperly bringing the present action. For this reason, their MSJ fails, and the Court should actually grant Plaintiffs' countermotion for summary judgment on this matter.

With respect to Defendants' motion for attorney fees, this Court has already been awarded them to Defendants. They cannot double dip. In addition, the Supreme Court has flatout denied Defendants' motion for the attorney fees they incurred on appeal. They cannot resurrect the issue now. As to any other fees, Defendants provide no ground or explanation as to why they are entitled to them, much less have they included in supporting evidence (no invoices or anything else). Thus, their motion for attorney fees fails.

In terms of Defendants' motion for execution, they are trying to execute upon a judgment that is not final, which is improper. Moreover, this Court has already stayed execution and required a substantial bond for the stay, which Plaintiffs have posted. Currently, Defendants have a security of about 170% of their award. Under the rules, this is more than sufficient for this Court to keep the stay intact.

As for the Defendants' motion to release the supersedeas bond, because of the stay of execution, such a release would be inappropriate at this time. Under the rules, it is proper for this Court to keep the bond intact pending a final judgment in this action and the resolution of a subsequent appeal.

B. Factual Background—Defendants Have Failed to Provide Evidence Supporting Most of Their Allegations, and Even If They Had Such Evidence, Genuine Issues of Material Fact Are Legion.

In their MSJ, Defendants set forth what they style "Undisputed Facts." (2nd MSJ at pp.3-6), For most of their assertions of "fact," Defendants provide no supporting affidavit, declaration, or other evidence. Moreover, even if Defendants had provided such evidence, the facts are anything but undisputed. In her declaration used in opposition to Defendants' First MSJ, which included a nearly identical "Statement of Undisputed Facts," Plaintiff Betty Chan ("Ms. Chan") explained:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 1st MSJ at pp.9-12.

In the Lawsuit, the Defendants have recently filed a [Motion] for Summary Judgment on Abuse of Process Claim. In that [Motion], Defendants present ... so-called ['Undisputed Facts']. Most everything in that [section] is either false or disputed. The pleadings and papers already on file with the Court clearly show that. Nevertheless, below, I make specific responses to the items in [Defendants' 'Undisputed Facts'] (the numbered items below correspond to and are taken verbatim from ... Defendants' ['Undisputed Facts']).

"1. On November 2, 2015, Dr. Jerrin Chiu emailed Ms. Chan expressing an interest in searching for a home to purchase while his parents were in town visiting in late December 2015." [2nd MSJ p.3].

MY RESPONSE: Actually, on or about October 5, 2015, Dr. Kwang Chiu contacted me to make an appointment for him and his son, Defendant Chiu, to see homes in December 2015.<sup>2</sup> (See also my Declaration dated Feb. 14, 2017 at p.2,  $\P$  7).<sup>3</sup>

"2. [Despite previously agreeing to be available on the specified dates in late December 2015,] Ms. Chan failed to respond to Defendants' requests to see houses on [those dates]. Ms. Chan was aware that Dr. Chiu and his parents had a tight window in which to purchase a home, so when she failed to return their calls, they assumed that she had abandoned them." 5 [See 2nd MSJ at p.4].

MY RESPONSE: Actually, on or about December 30, 2015, I picked up the Chiu family and showed them various homes, including the KB home, the subject in dispute On or about December 31, 2015, without telling me they already made a reservation that morning at KB Homes for 10:00 a.m., Dr. Kwang Chiu called me and asked if I could "kick back 1% of the commission" like the other agent offered him. I said I can offer a reduction of ½%, and Dr. Kwang Chiu said he would call me back and tell me which property Defendant wanted to buy. On or about January 5, 2016, I followed up with Defendant Chiu about the properties.

Unless otherwise indicated, all of the exhibits, sub-exhibits, and other attachments to this Opposition are fully incorporated herein by reference.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Specifically, they scheduled this for December 30-31, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Declaration of Betty Chan in Support of Reply to Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Opposition to Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment (dated Feb. 14, 2017) [hereinafter "Chan 1st Decl." and attached hereto as *Exhibit 13*].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Brackets in the italicized text placed in quotation marks show changes Defendants made in their Second MSJ to the language they originally used in their First MSJ.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Defendants' First MSJ stated the first sentence a little differently, as follows: "Ms. Chan failed to respond to Defendants' requests to see houses on December 31, 2015." Now, Defendants are changing their story to allege that Ms. Chan agreed to be available on a range of "specified dates." Defendants have provided *no evidence* that would support their changed version of the "facts."

Defendant Chiu did not respond. Contrary to Defendant Chiu's statements, he did not try to contact me several times. On or about January 15, 2016, Defendant Chiu admitted that he was using another agent.<sup>6</sup> (See also my Declaration dated Feb. 14, 2017 at pp.2-3, ¶¶ 17, 25-30; and my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at p.1, ¶¶ 2-3).<sup>7</sup>

"3. Though Ms. Chan showed Dr. Chiu and his parents several homes, she did not show them the home they ended up purchasing." [2nd MSJ at p.4].

MY RESPONSE: This is a flagrant misrepresentation of fact. Even Defendant Chiu has not disputed that I was the first one to show the property to him. (See also my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at p.3, ¶ 6). I did, in fact, show Defendant Chiu the property he purchased—the home had yet to be constructed at that time, as this was a new development. I took him to see the lots and model homes for sale. (See also my Declaration dated Feb. 14, 2017 at pp.3-4, ¶¶ 31-33; and my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at pp.1-3, ¶¶ 4-5).

"4. While waiting for Chan to return their call, Dr. Chiu and his parents, without the assistance of any broker, met with a KB Home representative and were informed that if they did not make a deposit towards a lot before the end of the day, they would be subject to the development-wide price increase of \$3,000.00." [2nd MSJ at p.4].

MY RESPONSE: Actually, after the "kick-back" phone call on about December 31, 2015, I was waiting for Defendant Chiu to contact me, as he promised he would. Instead, he decided to go with another agent and left me holding the bag. I was fully ready, willing, and able to work with him as his buyer's agent; however, he obviously thought he was getting a better "deal" in the form of an improper kickback from his new agent.

While touring the KB Homes' model on December 30, 2015, I had already explained the purchasing process to Defendant Chiu, including the standards, locations, elevations, prices, deposits, and so forth (See also my Declaration dated Feb. 14, 2017 at pp.2-3, ¶¶ 17, 21, 25-30; and my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at p.1, ¶¶ 2-3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Not only did Ms. Chan not abandon the buyers, but she also fulfilled their goal of finding them a KB home, on which they immediately put a deposit and subsequently purchased.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Supplemental Declaration of Betty Chan (dated Aug. 15, 2018) [hereinafter "Chan 2nd Decl." and attached hereto as *Exhibit 14*].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Defendants have provided *no evidence* supporting this assertion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Defendant Jerrin Chiu admitted as much in his answer. (Plaintiff's Complaint ¶ 25 (filed Sep. 27, 2016); Defendants' Answer and Counterclaim ¶ 25 (filed Dec. 6, 2016)).

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Defendants have provided  $\underline{\textit{no evidence}}$  supporting this assertion.

"5. Dr. Chiu and his parents ended up purchasing a home with the assistance of Wayne Wu." [See 2nd MSJ at p.4].

MY RESPONSE: Defendant Wayne Wu essentially did nothing. I did the research and identified the KB Homes development as a potential fit for Defendant Chiu in the first place. Defendant Wu did not do that. I was the first to recommend the KB Homes development to Defendant Chiu. Defendant Wu did not do that either. I was the first to show the development and the property to Defendant Chiu. Defendant Wu did not do that. The only thing Defendant Wu did, if anything, was to work on paperwork relating to the purchase of property the that I had worked so hard to find, show, and recommend to Defendant Chiu. <sup>11</sup> (See my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at pp.1-3, ¶¶ 4-5).

"6. There was never any written or verbal agreement setting forth the terms of any agreement between the Ms. Chan and Defendants." <sup>12</sup> [2nd MSJ at p.4]

MY RESPONSE: That is untrue. I was to be paid according to KB Homes' policy of only paying a cooperating commission to the first agent to bring the client to the development (and it had to be the client's first visit). (See my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at pp.1-3, ¶¶ 4-5). Plus, the Chiu family actually contacted me via email and asked that I be their agent for this deal, as I had previously done in a different transaction. I responded, "thank you for using my service again." Given our previous course of dealing, this was a black-and-white contract.

"7. Wu is the only realtor listed on the closing documents and is listed as the realtor of record and was the agent who did all of the work in procuring and closing the sale of the home." [2nd MSJ at p.4]

MY RESPONSE: As I explain it response to No. 5 above, Defendant Wu essentially did nothing. (See my Declaration dated Aug. 15, 2018 at pp.1-3, ¶¶ 4-5). He was, however, able to get his name on the contract as the buyer's agent because he signed a *fraudulent* agreement in which he stated that he was the first agent to show the property and thus the first to qualify for the commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Actually, the only thing Defendant Wu did, if anything, was to appear for the signing of the purchase contract on December 31, 2015, less than 24 hours after Ms. Chan's showing the property to Mr. Chiu. The other thing Defendant Wu did was to conspire with Buyer Jerrin Chiu to sign a fraudulent document lying to KB homes that Defendant Wu was the first agent that show Chiu the KB Homes. (*See Exhibit 21*; see also 2nd MSJ ex.1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Defendants have provided *no affidavit, declaration, or other evidence* to support this assertion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Exhibit 21.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Defendants have provided *no affidavit, declaration or other evidence* supporting their assertion that Wayne Wu did all the work.

"8. Ms. Chan is a member of the GLVAR which requires that any and all legitimate disputes regarding commissions be handled by way of arbitration before the GLVAR." [2nd MSJ at p.4].

MY RESPONSE: I did just that. Before filing suit on or about September 27, 2016, I tried to take the matter to GLVAR, but they would not open up an arbitration case because no commission had been distributed. <sup>15</sup> As the situation could have remained that way indefinitely, I had no choice but to file suit. On or about November 11, 2016, immediately after GLVAR indicated that they would be willing to accept the arbitration case, I submitted a claim for arbitration with GLVAR. Not long thereafter (after the holidays on or about January 13, 2017), I sought to put the Lawsuit on hold and to that end, I filed a Motion for Stay Pending Arbitration. As a matter of fact, Defendants actually opposed my Motion to Stay. Thus, it was they—not me—who sought to impede arbitration. <sup>16</sup>

"9. Chan fraudulently represented to Dr. Chiu and to First American Title Company that she possessed a broker registration card identifying her as Dr. Chiu's agent without being able to produce any such document upon challenge."<sup>17</sup> [2nd MSJ at p.5].

MY RESPONSE: I did not make any fraudulent statement to anyone. Immediately after I showed prospective properties at the KB Homes development to Defendant Chiu, I located a buyer registration card; Defendant Chiu filled out the buyer's portion, and I filled out the realtor's portion. No KB Homes representative was to be found; so, I left the registration card on the table in the KB Homes front office to hurry to get the Chiu family to the next appointment. (See also my Declaration dated Feb. 14, 2017 at pp.3, ¶¶ 22-23). I cannot produce the registration card because KB Homes has lost or mishandled it. (See also my dated Aug. 15, 2018 at p.3, ¶ 6). For the record: I am a broker and was for all of 2015-2016. The Nevada Real Estate Division has issued me a broker's license (No. B.0025444.CORP) in 1993. That license has been active, continuously, up to the present date.

"10. On September 27, 2016, Ms. Chan, filed a Complaint in the Eighth Judicial District Court, prior to submitting the matter to GLVAR for mediation and possible arbitration as required by rule. She sued Wu, Nevada Real Estate Corp. (the real estate company where Wu." works), Judith Sullivan (designated Realtor® and officer of Nevada Real Estate Corp.), Dr. Chiu (the buyer), and KB Homes (the property developer/seller)." [2nd MSJ at p.5].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> On June 11, 2016, months before she filed this action, Ms. Chan tried to proceed with arbitration before GLVAR. *See Exhibit 20*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See Defendants' Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment (filed Feb. 2, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Defendants have provided <u>no evidence</u> supporting their assertion that Ms. Chan did anything "fraudulently." Defendant Wayne Wu has never produced his registration card either.

MY RESPONSE: As explained in my response to No. 8 above, since GLVAR would not accept arbitration at the time, I had no choice but to file suit. 18 Upon GLVAR indicating that it would accept the case, I immediately submitted a claim with them and requested the Court to stay the Lawsuit pending that arbitration. In the Lawsuit, Defendants actually opposed my Motion to Stay. Therefore, it was they—not me—who tried to impede arbitration. 19

"11. [November 9, 2016] Ms. Chan signed an Agreement to Arbitrate .... In the Agreement to Arbitrate, Ms. Chan agreed to abide by the arbitration award as well as paying attorney's fees incurred in seeking district court confirmation of the award should she challenge it." [See 2nd MSJ at p.5].

MY RESPONSE: This mischaracterizes the content of the Request and Agreement to Arbitrate. The Agreement speaks for itself. That said, the Agreement, the Arbitrator's Award, and the law all allowed me to challenge the award.<sup>20</sup>

"12. The parties attended arbitration on April 17, 2018, wherein the GLVAR Arbitration Panel found Wu to be the procuring agent of the sale and entitled to the commissions. However, the panel also allowed Chan to retain one quarter of the disputed commissions, a total of \$3,448.83." [2nd MSJ at p.5].

MY RESPONSE: The GLVAR arbitration panel did not find that Defendant Wu was the procuring agent. In fact, its award was completely silent on the matter. The panel simply split the commission between him and me.<sup>22</sup> Other than that, the Award of Arbitrators speaks for itself.

"13. On July 2, 2018, Ms. Chan filed her Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, which was followed by Defendants' Opposition to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Ms. Chan had to do this to stay the distribution of commissions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See Defendants' Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment (filed Feb. 2, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> See 2nd MSJ ex.1. Ms. Chan had until 5:00 p.m. on May 17, 2018 to notify GLVAR of her intention to appeal the arbitration award. See id. Ms. Chan gave her notice on that date at 3:17 p.m. See Exhibit 19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Defendants have provided <u>no evidence</u> supporting their allegation that the panel found Wu to be the procuring cause.

Obviously, the panel recognized Ms. Chan's efforts by awarding her a portion of the commission despite her name not being on the sales contract. Ms. Chan has always taken the position that, under Nevada law, because she was the agent who first showed Defendant Jerrin Chiu the property, she should be considered the procuring cause entitled to the commissions. (See Reply in Support of Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Awar[d] and Opposition/Motion to Strike Improper Countermotion at pp.3-9 (filed Aug. 15, 2018)). For this reason, Ms. Chan sought to challenge the arbitration award.

Motion to Vacate or Modify Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Case, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney's Fees on August 8, 2018." [2nd MSJ at pp.5-6].

MY RESPONSE: The dates are wrong. I filed the Motion to Vacate on <u>July 18</u>, <u>2018</u>, and Defendants filed their Opposition and Countermotion on <u>August 6</u>, <u>2018</u>.

"14. This Court entered an order on September 18, 2018 denying Ms. Chan's Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and subsequently entered an order granting Defendants' Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney's Fees and Costs on March 22, 2019." [2nd MSJ at p.6].

MY RESPONSE: At first blush, this statement may not seem to be incorrect, but it mischaracterizes what happened and leaves out several pertinent facts. For starters, it omits the fact that Defendants should have presented a draft order on their countermotion to me so that it could have been filed at about the same time the order on my motion to vacate was filed. In fact, Defendants waited over six (6) months to present the proposed order to the Judge, without giving me a chance to dispute it or respond to it. Moreover, they finally presented the order when my previous attorney withdrew from the case. It appeared that Defendants were trying to leverage my lack of counsel to have an order entered that was overly favorable to them. I then timely filed a motion for reconsideration of Defendants' countermotion. I also filed a notice of appeal. My motion for reconsideration is still pending.

"15. Ms. Chan, unwilling to abide by a binding decision issued by the GLVAR, to which she agreed, and the District Court's ruling confirming the arbitration award, filed her Notice of Appeal on April 22, 2019." [2nd MSJ at p.6].

MY RESPONSE: I have not violated or refused to abide by the arbitrators' decision or the Court's rulings. Rather, in accordance with law, I have appealed the matters through proper channels. I have been well within my rights to do this. As I understand it, this is the way the American legal system works.<sup>23</sup>

"16. During this entire process, Ms. Chan has been represented by five different law firms and has refused offers at settlement made privately and through the settlement conference required by the Supreme Court of Nevada." [2nd MSJ at p.6].

MY RESPONSE: The number of attorneys or law firms I have retained (or the number of settlement offers made) is wholly irrelevant to the legal question at issue: Whether, for purposes of a real estate sale, there can be more than one procuring agent. I believe the law is on my side and that we will ultimately prevail on this point. I would also point out that Defendants not only refused my

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> She did so in accordance with the GLVAR arbitration appeal guidelines. *See* 2nd MSJ ex.1.

settlement offers at the settlement conference, but also my previous offer made within the first six (6) months of filing suit as well. It was Defendants—not I—who acted unreasonably there.<sup>24</sup>

"17. Ms. Chan has stated that her only desire was to punish Defendants for what she perceives as misconduct. In an email, Ms. Chan stated the following:

"Honestly from day one i met you my focus is not the commission, i felt insulted and humiliated, another agent dared challenge me and he really do not know who I am. I have been really sad more than i am angry. Last night i read many court cases. Even though my card has disappeared, it wont hurt me winning. I liked to teach them a lesson. Life is not about money. So happen i do have few hundred thousand in hand that i can use. If they are willing to go along with me to spend equal amount of money, then I will be very happy to play their game. I got my direction last nite, so i felt peaceful now. All i need KB to understand I don't hate kb for this, and i need them to work with me on my plan. Jana, i dont blame you either and take care of yourself." [2nd MSJ at p.6.]

MY RESPONSE: This language is taken out of context and is falsely presented here as an email from me to Defendants. It is not. In fact, it is not even an email; neither is it a communication between Defendants and me. To the contrary, it was part of a series of text messages between me and Jana, an agent at KB Homes. Taking it all out of context and falsely presenting it here, Defendants are trying to twist this language into a threat coming from me to them. However, it was nothing more than my venting to a fellow agent. Interestingly, Jana responded in a text: "Yes ...thank you Betty. I know it's frustrating. I've lost more than a few commissions that were due to me. So I understand." Jana knew what I was saying and was completely sympathetic.

Moreover, it is just wrong to say that my desire was to punish Defendants. If they eventually lose, they will suffer financial and other repercussions, but that goes with every lawsuit. I am and have been well within my rights to seek the commission to which I believe I am rightly entitled. Even the language quoted by Defendants above only shows that, in tandem with seeking to enforce my rights, I am hoping to put an end to people's taking advantage of other agents, as they did to me in this case (and Jana in others). It is a fact that I was cheated, and I am genuinely seeking redress for a wrong against me. In that connection, the law of Nevada can and should be clarified that there cannot be more than one procuring agent for any real estate sale. My fighting for my rights only works for the public good.

<sup>24</sup> Actually, Defendants have reneged settlements actually reached.

<sup>25</sup> See Text messages between Chan and Jana, an agent at KB Homes [attached hereto as *Exhibit* 16].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> It is clear that because of Ms. Chan first showing to property to Defendant Jerrin Chiu, he purchased it.

"18. Ms. Chan has caused Defendants to incur [tens of] thousands [of dollars] in attorney's fees [and costs, chasing a relatively small commission,] due to her unwillingness to settle this matter or [acknowledge and accept] the GLVAR arbitration award." [2nd MSJ at p.6.]

MY RESPONSE: As stated in my response to No. 17 above, it is my sincere desire to obtain justice for myself and other real estate agents that have been abused by the system. To the extent that my lawfully seeking to enforce my rights has caused those whom I believe to be wrong to incur attorney fees, that is just how the system operates. I too have incurred thousand in attorney fees and costs. It has caused me grief and humiliation beyond description to learn, so painfully, that the legal system requires one to suffer so much to obtain justice.

(Declaration of Betty Chan ¶ D, at pp.1-6 (dated Jan. 21, 2020) [hereinafter "Chan 3rd Decl." and attached hereto as *Exhibit 15*]).

Defendants add: "On May 19, 2020, the Supreme Court of Nevada dismissed Ms. Chan's appeal for lack of jurisdiction." (2nd MSJ at p.6). The reason for the jurisdictional defect was this: not having counsel at the time, Ms. Chan filed the notice of appeal *prematurely*. (See Order Dismissing Appeal (entered May 14, 2020), Chan, et al. v. Wu, et al., Case No. 78666, Nevada Supreme Court [attached hereto as *Exhibit 17*]). The Supreme Court did not address the merits of the appeal, which it may do once this case proceeds to final judgment. (See id.).

### C. Opposition To Defendants' Motion For Summary Judgment.

Defendants' MSJ on their abuse-of-process claim fails. Contrary to Defendants' assertions, genuine issues of material fact are legion. Moreover, the summary judgment evidence shows that Plaintiffs have not abused process because they have had no ulterior purpose and have not engaged in any improper, willful act in the their use of the legal process. With respect to any alleged ulterior purpose, Defendants only proffer evidence that, at worst, shows a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Again, Defendants change their story. In their First MSJ, they state that they incurred only "thousands" in attorney fees; now they claim "tens of thousands."

"bad intent," which is insufficient for their claim. In fact, Plaintiffs have only fought to enforce their rights, and as a consequence, they have worked for the public good, especially for that of real estate agents. In terms of any supposed improper, willful acts, Plaintiffs have simply appealed the arbitration award through proper channels. Defendants have produced no evidence of any improper, willful act on Plaintiffs' part. For the reasons discussed in Part II below, the Court should actually grant Plaintiffs summary judgment on Defendants' counterclaim.

(1) <u>Summary Judgment Standards</u>—Defendants have failed to carry their burden of showing that there is no genuine dispute as to any material fact or that they are entitled to judgment as a matter of law

Summary judgment standards are well established. "A party may move for summary judgment, identifying each claim or defense — or the part of each claim or defense — on which summary judgment is sought. The court shall grant summary judgment if the movant shows that there is no genuine dispute as to any material fact and the movant is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." NRCP 56(a). "[A]dopt[ing] the standard employed [by the U.S. Supreme Court] in *Liberty Lobby, Celotex*, and *Matsushita*," the Nevada Supreme Court held:

Summary judgment is appropriate under NRCP 56 when the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, admissions, and affidavits, if any, that are properly before the court demonstrate that no genuine issue of material fact exists, and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant. A factual dispute is genuine when the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the nonmoving party.

Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 731-732, 121 P.3d 1026, 1031 (2005) (footnotes omitted). "[T]he pleadings and other proof must be construed in a light most favorable to the nonmoving party." *Id*.

Here, Defendants have failed to carry their burden of showing that there is no genuine dispute as to any material fact or that they are entitled to judgment as a matter of law. Thus, their countermotion fails.

(2) <u>No Abuse of Process</u>—The Summary Judgment Evidence Shows that Plaintiffs Have Had No Ulterior Purpose and Have Not Engaged in Any Improper, Willful Act in the Their Use of the Legal Process.

"[T]he elements of an abuse of process claim are: '(1) an ulterior purpose by the defendants other than resolving a legal dispute, and (2) a willful act in the use of the legal process not proper in the regular conduct of the proceeding." *LaMantia v. Redisi*, 118 Nev. 27, 30, 38 P.3d 877, 879 (2002). Defendants have failed to show that either of these elements are satisfied here.

(a) No Ulterior Purpose—At worst, Defendants' evidence shows a "bad intent," which is insufficient for their claim. In fact, Plaintiffs have only fought to enforce their rights, and as a consequence, they have worked for the public good, especially for that of real estate agents.

"[T]here is 'no liability where the defendant has done nothing more than carry out the process to its authorized conclusion, even though with bad intentions." *Raphaelson v. Ashtonwood Stud Assocs., L.P.*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 66517, \*8 (D. Nev. 2009) (quoting PROSSER ON TORTS, ABUSE OF PROCESS § 115, p. 877 (3rd ed.1964)). That is all Defendants allege here: bad intentions.

With respect to any alleged "ulterior purpose," Defendants allege: "In her own words, [Chan] has admitted that she filed the lawsuit, not because of a valid legal dispute, but because she wanted to avenge her pride and teach the Defendants a lesson." (2nd MSJ at p.9). This is utter nonsense. At worst, it evidences a "bad intention," but as a matter of law, such an intention is not actionable. Moreover, Defendants take Chan's words out of context, mispresent them as an email communication and threat to Defendants, and twist and contort them beyond reason in an attempt to get some traction with their abuse-of-process counterclaim. Chan explains:

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<sup>28</sup> See Exhibit 16.

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(Chan 3rd Decl.  $\P$  D, at pp.1-6).

In Nevada, "[c]ourts have found ulterior motives where a party brought a malpractice claim without any basis, in order to coerce the settlement of nuisance claim, and when a party attached a property in great excess of the debt in order to coerce payment." *Georgiou Studio, Inc. v. Blvd. Invest, LLC*, 663 F. Supp. 2d 973, 982 D. Nev. 2009) (citing *Bull v. McCuskey*, 96 Nev. 706, 709, 615 P.2d 957, 960 (1980), *overruled in part on other grounds by Ace Truck v. Kahn*, 103 Nev. 503, 746 P.2d 132 (1987); *Nevada Credit Rating Bur. v. Williams*, 88 Nev. 601, 606, 503 P.2d 9, 12 (1972)). This is no such case. Ms. Chan has a basis for filing this suit: her claim to the real estate commissions and an appeal of the GLVAR arbitration award. Ms. Chan has not brought this action in attempt to coerce a settlement of an unrelated claim. Chan has not attached any property; even though the commissions are tied up in escrow, the sum of those commissions is that which to which the prevailing party would be entitled. Indeed, the GLVAR arbitration panel actually granted Ms. Chan a portion of the proceeds. Thus, there is no actionable "ulterior motive" here.

<sup>29</sup> See also 2nd MSJ ex.1.

When Thurgood Marshall pressed forward with *Brown v. Board of Education*, the underlying disputes had actually resolved and the case could have been construed as moot. Nevertheless, Marshall pressed on because he wanted social justice. Was that an ulterior purpose giving rise to a claim for abuse of process? Under Defendants' logic, it would be. The absurdity of this conclusion is obvious. No reasonable person would conclude that an actionable "ulterior purpose" results when one attempts to achieve social justice by enforcing their legal rights.

Protecting fair real estate commissions may not be as socially seismic as eradicating *de jure* and *de facto* racial injustice. However, in the world of real estate, such commissions matter—and they impact upon agents' very livelihood. That is no small consequence. In this regard, by seeking to enforce her rights, Chan is also working for the "public good." (Chan 3rd Decl. ¶ D, at pp.1-6). That is not actionable abuse of process by any stretch of the imagination.

(b) No Improper, Willful Act—In accordance with law, Plaintiffs have simply appealed the arbitration award through proper channels; Defendants have produced no evidence of any improper, willful act on Plaintiffs' part in their use of the legal process.

"[F]iling a complaint does not constitute abuse of process." Land Baron Invs., Inc. v. Bonnie Springs Family Ltd. P'ship, 131 Nev. 686, 698, 356 P.3d 511, 520 (2015). That is all Ms. Chan has done here. Defendants may not like that, but it is safe to assume that no defendant in any lawsuit likes the fact that they have been sued. Defendants have presented no evidence of any "willful act in the use of the legal process not proper in the regular conduct of the proceeding"—None. Yes, Plaintiffs have challenged the arbitration award, but that has not been improper. As Chan explains, "the Agreement, the Arbitrator's Award, and the law all allowed [Plaintiffs] to challenge the award."<sup>29</sup> (Chan 3rd Decl. ¶ D, at p.4). Defendants have not cited any authority or produced any evidence to the contrary. Moreover, Chan has "not violated or

refused to abide by the arbitrators' decision or the Court's rulings." (Chan 3rd Decl. ¶ D, at p.5). "Rather, in accordance with law, [she] ha[s] appealed the matters through proper channels. [She] ha[s] been well within [her] rights to do this.... [T]his is the way the American legal system works." (Id.).

In addition, for an abuse-of-process claim to stand, "[t]he utilized process must be judicial, as the tort protects the integrity of the court." *Land Baron*, 131 Nev. at 698, 356 P.3d at 519. Thus, to the extent Defendants are raising anything that happened in the GLVAR proceeding—or seek any damages related thereto (such as attorney fees)—their claim must fail.

In short, Plaintiffs have never had any ulterior purpose; their motives have been pure. Defendants arguments to the contrary are false manipulations of communications taken out of context. Moreover, Plaintiffs have not committed any willful act not proper in the regular course of any proceeding. Defendants have produced no evidence to the contrary. It thus follows that Defendants' abuse-of-process counterclaim must fail, and that the Court should deny their summary judgment on that claim.

## D. Opposition To Defendants' Motion For Award Of Attorney's Fees.

Although they title their motion as one for "contractual award of attorney's fees," Defendants argue that they should be awarded attorney fees under EDCR 7.60(b) because, in Defendants' view, by exercising their constitutional right to petition the courts for review of the arbitration award, Plaintiffs acted "without just cause," presented "frivolous" motions or oppositions, and "unreasonably and vexatiously" increased costs by multiplying the proceedings. (2nd MSJ at p.10). Nevertheless, they do not present a single example of how this was so.

Defendants also seek attorney fees based upon the Agreement to Arbitrate. (2nd MSJ at p.11). To this end, they argue: "Defendants have incurred \$110,625.85 in fees trying to collect

the funds held by the GLVAR," (2nd MSJ at p.11). However, in the same breath, Defendants concede that in connection with that Agreement, "[t]his Court [already] awarded \$21,435.00 in fees and \$920.83 in costs in [its] March 22, 2019 Order." (2nd MSJ at p.11). Thus, by their own admission, they have already been compensated for any fees and costs due under the Agreement. Apart from raising the additional fees and costs they claim for the appeal (\$35,034.58), Defendants offer no explanation whatsoever as to how they could even conceivably be entitled to an additional \$88,270.02 in fees. (*See* 2nd MSJ at p.11). Per the Agreement, they may not recover for any attorney fees they incurred in the arbitration proceeding. Defendants attach nothing to their Motion to support such an exorbitant sum – no invoices, timesheets, receipts, or anything at all. Thus, they are entitled to no such award.

In addition, Defendant have no right under the Agreement under EDCR 7.60(b) for an award of attorney fees relative to their abuse of process claim, which Defendants' present motion and earlier permutations have brought before this Court. Defendants also fail to show exactly how what amount, if any, would be their damages for abuse of process.

With respect to the \$35,034.58 they claim to have incurred "trying to combat Ms. Chan's appeal," they also offer no supporting evidence. More importantly, the Supreme Court has already denied Defendants an award of fees on appeal. Specifically, in the Supreme Court, Defendants filed an identical motion for an identical sum of fees. (S. Ct. Reply at p.14). *The Supreme Court made short shrift of that motion, holding that Defendants "request for attorney fees incurred on appeal is denied."* (See Exhibit 17 at p.4 n.4 (emphasis added)). That decision is dispositive and is the law of the case. See Tien Fu Hsu v. County of Clark, 123 Nev. 625, 629, 173 P.3d 724, 728 (Nev. 2007) ("The doctrine of the law of the case provides that the law or ruling of a first appeal must be followed in all subsequent proceedings, both in the lower court and on any later appeal."). Defendants may not now try to resurrect the issue in this Court.

# E. Opposition To Defendants' Motion For Writ Of Execution On Plaintiff's Commissions Awarded By GLVAR Arbitration Panel.

This Court has already stayed execution. (Order On Plaintiffs Motion To Stay Execution Pending Appeal (entered May 1, 2019)). Moreover, the Supreme Court long ago explained: "Execution will not ordinarily issue except to enforce a final judgment." *Kapp v. Seventh Judicial Dist. Court*, 32 Nev. 264, 267-268, 107 P. 95, 95-96 (1910). This is still good law. *See, e.g., Redding & Co. v. Russwine Constr. Corp.*, 417 F.2d 721, 727 (D.C. Cir. 1969) ("An execution ordinarily may issue only upon a final judgment." (citing *Kapp*); *United States v. Hansel*, 182 F.R.D. 7, 9 (N.D.N.Y. 1998) ("The Government cannot take any enforcement action until a final judgment has been entered.").

In the Supreme Court, Defendants argued that "the March 22, 2019 Order is not a final order and cannot be appealed." (Reply to Plaintiffs-Appellants Response to Order to Show Cause Entered March 9, 2020 at p.9 (filed Apr. 29, 2020) [attached hereto as *Exhibit 18*]). The Supreme Court agreed. (*See Exhibit 17* at p.2). That is the law of the case, and Defendants may not change their position now. *See Hsu*, 123 Nev. at 629, 173 P.3d at 728. Because there is no final order or judgment, Defendants may not execute.

Even if the March 22, 2019 Order were final, Plaintiffs have already a posted a \$33,533.75 supersedeas bond. (Plaintiffs Notice Of Posting Supersedeas Bond (filed May 7, 2020)). That sum is far in excess of the sums awarded by the Court: attorney fees of \$21,435.00 and costs of \$920.83. (Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorneys Fees and Costs (filed Mar. 22, 2019)). Moreover, in escrow, there are still \$3,448.83 in commissions owed to Ms. Chan, which have yet to be distributed. Altogether, Defendants have security just shy of \$37,000.00, or around 170% of their actual award.

Defendants admit that "[t]he purpose of a supersedeas bond is to protect the prevailing party from loss resulting from a stay of execution of the judgment." (2nd MSJ at p.15 (quoting

McCulloch v. Jenkins, 99 Nev. 122 (1983)). Security of around 170% of the judgment more than adequately protects Defendants. They offer no evidence to the contrary. Thus, execution should not issue.

### F. Opposition To Defendants' Motion For Release Of Supersedeas Bond.

"A court may stay the enforcement of a final judgment entered under Rule 54(b) [relating to judgment on multiple claims] until it enters a later judgment or judgments, and may prescribe terms necessary to secure the benefit of the stayed judgment for the party in whose favor it was entered." NRCP 62(h). Here, the Court has ruled upon Defendants' counterclaim for attorney fees and costs. Their only remaining counterclaim is the one for alleged abuse of process. Thus, under NRCP 62(h), the Court may continue to stay the execution of the March 22, 2019 Order.

As mentioned, for their protection, Defendants already have security of around 170% of their award. Thus, under NRCP, 62(h), the Court has already prescribed, and Plaintiffs have already met, terms that "secure the benefit" of Defendants' award. Furthermore, the Court is aware that once all of the claims in this matter are adjudicated, Plaintiffs may appeal this case pursuant to NRS 38.247(1)(f) (providing that, upon a final judgment, an appeal may be taken of a decision to affirm an arbitration award) and NRAP 4(a)(5) (allowing generally for appeals of final judgments). Because this action will be properly appealed then, the supersedeas bond should not be released to Defendants at this time. *See* NRCP 62(d)(1) ("If an appeal is taken, the appellant may obtain a stay by supersedeas bond ....").

#### II. PLAINTIFFS' COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT.

As discussed in Part I.C above, as a matter of law, Defendants have insufficient evidence of an "ulterior motive" and no evidence whatsoever that Ms. Chan improperly used the legal system. She has only exercised her constitutional rights; there is nothing wrong with that. Accordingly, Defendants' counterclaim for abuse of process fails, and the Court should grant Plaintiffs summary judgment on that claim.

1	III.	REQUEST FOR RELIEF.
2	WHE	REFORE, Plaintiffs/Counter-Defendants BETTY CHAN and ASIAN AMERICAL
3	REALTY &	PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ("Plaintiffs" or "Counter-Defendants") hereb
4	request the Co	ourt as follows:
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8		Deposited On Appeal;
9	2.	to grant Plaintiffs' Countermotion For Summary Judgment On Defendants
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12		Abuse-Of-Process Counterclaim; and
13	3.	to grant Plaintiffs all such other and further relief to which they justly deserve a
14		law or in equity.
15	DATE	ED: <u>July 7, 2020</u> .
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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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2 3	I certify that on <u>July 7, 2020</u> , I caused the foregoing <b>PLAINTIFFS' OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR CONTRACTUAL AWARD OF ATTORNEY'S FEES, FOR WRIT OF EXECUTION</b>				
4			BY GLVAR ARBITRATION PANEL AND PEAL _AND_COUNTERMOTION FOR		
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12	Attorneys for Defendants/Counterclaimants  Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real				
13	Estate Corp.	., and Jerrin Chiu			
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1		<u>EXHIBITS</u>	
2	Exhibit 1	Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs (filed Mar. 22, 2019)	
3		["MSJ Order"]	
4	Exhibit 2	Motion to Vacate Entry of Order or Motion for Extension of Time to File	
5 6		Reconsideration to the Entry of Order Granting Defendants Counter Motion for Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs (filed Apr. 1, 2019) ["Motion for Reconsideration"]	
7	Exhibit 3	Register of Actions (dated Jan. 7, 2020)	
8	Exhibit 4	Minute Order (dated Apr. 1, 2019)	
9	Exhibit 5	Notice of Appeal (dated Apr. 22, 2019)	
10	Exhibit 6	Order on Plaintiff's Motion to Stay Execution Pending Appeal (filed May 1,	
11		2019)	
12	Exhibit 7	Plaintiffs' Notice of Posting Supersedeas Bond (filed May 7, 2019)	
13	Exhibit 8	Supreme Court's Order to Show Cause (filed Nov. 14, 2019)	
14		["OSC"]	
15	Exhibit 9	Plaintiffs-Appellants' Response to Order to Show Cause (filed in Supreme Court Dec. 16, 2019) (text only without exhibits)	
16 17	Exhibit 10	Emails between counsel (Nov. 20, 2019 to Dec. 16, 2019)	
18	Exhibit 11	Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and	
19		Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees (filed Aug. 6, 2018) [excerpts]	
20	Exhibit 12	Transcript (Oct. 31, 2018) [excerpts]	
21	Exhibit 13	Declaration of Betty Chan in Support of Reply to Opposition to Motion to Stay	
22	L'Amon 13	Pending Arbitration and Opposition to Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice	
23		or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment (dated Feb. 14, 2017) ["Chan 1st Decl."]	
24	Exhibit 14	Supplemental Declaration of Betty Chan (dated Aug. 15, 2018)	
25		["Chan 2nd Decl."]	
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3		Entered March 9, 2020 at p.9 (filed Apr. 20, 2020) (exhibits omitted).
5	Exhibit 19	Email from Betty Chan to GLVAR giving notice of intent to appeal arbitration award (dated May 17, 2018).
6	Exhibit 20	Email from Betty Chan to GLVAR requesting arbitration (dated June 11, 2016).
7	Exhibit 21	Defendant Wayne Wu's agreement with KB Home Las Vegas Inc. (dated Jan. 8, 2016).
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Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants (hereinafter "Plaintiffs).

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

### FINDINGS OF FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

#### A. COUNTERMOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT GRANTED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 11. The Court hereby ORDERS attorney's fees in the amount of \$21,435.00. The Court finds this amount is reasonable and actually incurred by Defendants in enforcing the arbitration award. The Court is awarding attorney fees after the entry of the arbitration award and Plaintiffs' filing of its Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award, starting on July 25, 2018. The Court declines to award fees requested on the invoices dated December 31, 2016, January 31, 2017, and February 28, 2017, as the redactions made to Plaintiffs' counsel's billing records prevent the Court from determining if those fees were reasonable and necessary. The Court has reviewed the remaining fees and finds they were reasonable and appropriate for litigating the matter and in keeping with attorney fees for such work in Southern Nevada. The Court further finds that the Brunzell factors have been met for the reasons stated in Defendant's Countermotion for Attorney Fees and Costs as set forth below.
- When determining an award of attorneys' fees and costs, Nevada courts have long relied upon the factors in Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank. These four factors analyze (1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived.
- 13. **Brunzell Factor** #1: "the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill". Counsel for Defendants, Michael A. Olsen, Esq. is a founding partner of his firm and has been a member of the State Bar of Nevada for over twenty years. He is a graduate of Utah State University and BYU's J. Reuben Clark Law School. His abilities as an advocate have been recognized through numerous awards and honors,

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

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

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AJUDICATED, AND DECREED:

- a. That the September 18, 2018 Order is affirmed wherein Wu was determined the procuring cause and the Arbitration Award was confirmed.
  - b. That the Countermotion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED
  - c. That the Motion for Attorney's Fees and Costs is GRANTED and that Attorney's fees in the amount of \$21,435.00 and Costs in the amount of \$920.83 are hereby awarded to Defendants.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 19 of FEBRUARY 2019

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

**ERIC JOHNSON** 

Prepared and submitted by:

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9	CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA
10	Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management Case .No.: A-16-744109-C
11	Dept. No.: xx
12	Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants,
13	VS.
14	Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp Jerrin Chiu, KB Homes Sales-Nevada Inc,
15	Defendant(s)/Counterclaimants.
16	MOTION to Vacate entry of Order or Motion for extension of time to file reconsideration to the
17	entry of Order Granting DefendantsCounter Motion For Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs
18	Plaintiff/Counterdefendants Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property
19	Management appear in Proper Person submit this Motion based on the following:
20	1) The hearing took place back in October 31 2018 and the Court find for the Defendants and
21	Court directed Defendants'Counsel to draft the proposed order and to circulate it to Counsel prior
22	to submission to chambers.(Exhibit 1)
23	2) Without any explanation or reasons, Defendant Counsel never produced the draft order for
24	5 months. As soon as the Plaintiff's Counsel was granted withdrawal, then Defendant Counsel
25	conveniently seized the opportunity to submit the Order without circulating to Plaintiff's former.
26	counsel or Plaintiff herself in ProSe. With the experience of the Denfendant's Counsel as
27	illustrated in the Order there is no reason he would not know that Plaintiff should be informed.
28	If that was not an intentional misconduct, then what else?

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1	3) Plaintiff's due process right is now severely prejudiced and deprived of any fair
2	chance to review and object. Further, Plaintiff is entitled to have the notice and review with her
3	attorney. At this time, Plaintiff does not have any legal representation to help achieve that
4	purpose to explain, to correct and to advise any legal deficiency to the Plaintiff.
5	4) Under such circumstances, Plaintiff Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property
6	Management respectfully requests this Court to vacate the entry of order so Plaintiff can have a
7	month to locate an attorney to review before the entry of order as originally ordered by the Court.
8	Or in the alternative Plaintiff is requesting the Court to grant a reconsideration of the Order and
9	allow extension of reconsideration time beyond the 10 day period so that I can locate a
10	replacement attorney and put this reconsideration on hold until then if the request is granted.
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1	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
2	Pursuant to Nev. R. Civ. P. 5(b), I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 1 2019
3	I placed a true and correct copy of the above MOTION to reconsider Order Granting
4	Defendants Countermotion FOR Summary Judgment and Attorney Fees and Costs
5	in the United States Mail at Las Vegas, Nevada, with first-class postage prepaid, addressed to the
6	following:
7	_Michael A Olsen Esq
8	10155 W Twain Ave., #100
9	Las Vegas, NV 89147
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Subject: A744109 Chan v. Wu Motion for Attorney's Fees

Good Afternoon,

Please be advised that the Court will be issuing a Minute Order in the above matter. The Motion for Attorney's Fees has been GRANTED. The Court's reasoning will be contained in the Minute Order. Counsel for the Defendants is directed to prepare a proposed order and circulate it to counsel prior to submission to chambers. Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Skyler Sullivan

Law Clerk to the Honorable Eric Johnson

Eighth Judicial District Court, Department XX

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### R. ..... OF ACTIONS Case No. A-16-744109-C

Betty Chan, Plaintiff(s) vs. Wayne Wu, Defendant(s)

Case Type: Other Contract
Date Filed: 09/27/2016
Location: Department 20
Cross-Reference Case Number: A744109
Supreme Court No.: 78666

	Party Information	
Counter Claimant	Chiu, Jerin	Lead Attorneys Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Nevada Real Estate Corp	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Sullivan, Judith	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Wu, Wayne	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Defendant	Chan, Betty	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)
Defendant	Chiu, Jerin	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	KB Home Sales-Nevada Inc	Janice M Michaels Retained 702-251-4100(W)
Defendant	Nevada Real Estate Corp	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	Sullivan, Judith	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	Wu, Wayne	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Plaintiff	Asian American Realty & Property Management	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)
Plaintiff	Chan, Betty	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)

EVENTS ORDERS OF THE COURT

Creditors: Wayne Wu (Defendant), Judith Sullivan (Defendant), Nevada Real Estate Corp (Defendant), Jerin Chiu (Defendant) Judgment: 03/22/2019, Docketed: 03/22/2019

03/22/2019 Order (Judicial Officer: Johnson, Eric)

Debtors: Betty Chan (Plaintiff), Asian American Realty & Property Management (Plaintiff)

Creditors: Wayne Wu (Defendant), Judith Sullivan (Defendant), Nevada Real Estate Corp (Defendant), Jerin Chiu (Defendant)

Judgment: 03/22/2019, Docketed: 03/22/2019

Total Judgment: 22,355.83

#### OTHER EVENTS AND HEARINGS

09/27/2016 Complaint

Complaint

11/15/2016 Amended Complaint

Amended Complaint

11/21/2016 Affidavit of Service

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12/01/2016 Affidavit of Service
Affidavit of Service

12/06/2016 Answer and Counterclaim
Answer and Counterclaim

12/06/2016 Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure

Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure

12/07/2016 Certificate of Service

Certificate of Service

12/19/2016 Reply to Counterclaim
Reply to Counterclaim

01/06/2017 Motion to Amend

Counterdefendant's Motion to Amend Reply to Counterclaim and to Strike Initial Reply to Counterclaim from the Record

01/10/2017 **Stipulation** 

Stipulation to Continue Early Case Conference

01/10/2017 Notice of Non Opposition

Notice of Non-Opposition to Counterdefendant's Motion to Amend Reply to Counterclaim and to Strike Initial Reply to Counterclaim From the Record

01/11/2017 Certificate of Service

Certificate of Service

01/13/2017 Motion to Stay

Motion for Stay Pending Arbitration

01/23/2017 Motion to Withdraw As Counsel

Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Plaintiffs Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management

02/02/2017 **Opposition** 

Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment

02/03/2017 Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure

Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure

02/06/2017 Motion to Amend (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Leavitt, Michelle)

Counterdefendant's Motion to Amend Reply to Counterclaim and to Strike Initial Reply to Counterclaim from the Record

Parties Present

**Minutes** 

Result: Granted

02/06/2017 Certificate of Service

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02/07/2017 Certificate of Service

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02/07/2017 Supplemental

Supplement to Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the Alternative for Summary Judament

02/09/2017 **Order** 

Order to Amend Reply to Counterclaim and to Strike Initial Reply to Counterclaim from the Record.

02/10/2017 Amended

Amended Reply to Counterclaim

02/14/2017 Reply to Opposition

Plaintiffs Reply to Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Opposition to Defendants Coutermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the

Alternative for Summary Judgment

02/16/2017 Stipulation and Order

Stipulation and Order to Continue Hearing

02/27/2017 Motion For Stay (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Leavitt, Michelle)

Plaintiffs' Motion for Stay Pending Arbitration

02/13/2017 Reset by Court to 02/27/2017

Result: Granted

02/27/2017 Opposition and Countermotion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Leavitt, Michelle)

Defendants' and Counterclaimants' Opposition to Motion to Stay Pending Arbitration and Countermotion to Dismiss with Prejudice or in the

Alternative for Summary Judgment

02/13/2017 Reset by Court to 02/27/2017

Result: Denied

02/27/2017 All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Leavitt, Michelle)

Parties Present

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https://www.clarkcountycourts.us/Anonymous/CaseDetail.aspx?CaseID=11720168 Minutes Result: Matter Heard 02/28/2017 Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing on Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Plaintiffs Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management 03/30/2017 Order Order Granting Motion to Stay and Denying Motion to Dismiss and Motion for Summary Judgment 04/03/2017 Motion to Withdraw as Counsel (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Leavitt, Michelle) The Law Firm of Marquis Aurbach Coffing's Notice of Hearing on Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Plaintiffs Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management **Parties Present Minutes** Result: Granted 04/03/2017 **Notice of Entry of Order** Notice of Entry of Order Granting Motion to Stay and Denying Motion for Summary Judgment 04/17/2017 Order Granting Motion Order Granting Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Plaintiffs Betty Chan and Asian American Realty & Property Management 05/01/2017 Status Check (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Leavitt, Michelle) Status Check: New Counsel For Plaintiffs **Parties Present Minutes** Result: Off Calendar 05/04/2017 Notice of Appearance Notice of Appearance 05/09/2017 Notice of Entry of Order Notice of Entry of Order Granting Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record for Plaintiffs 07/02/2018 Case Reassigned to Department 20 Reassigned From Judge Leavitt - Dept 12 07/18/2018 **Motion to Vacate** MOTION TO VACATE OR MODIFY ARBITRATION AWARD 08/06/2018 Opposition and Countermotion Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees 08/07/2018 Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure 08/15/2018 Reply in Support Reply In Support Of Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Opposition to Countermotions Change of Address 08/21/2018 Change of Address of Attorneys for Defendant KB Home Sales - Nevada, Inc. 08/22/2018 Motion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) Plaintiffs' Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award Result: Denied 08/22/2018 Opposition and Countermotion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) 08/22/2018, 10/31/2018 Defendants and Counterclaimants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., and Jerrin Chiu's Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees **Parties Present Minutes** 10/10/2018 Reset by Court to 10/31/2018 10/31/2018 Reset by Court to 10/31/2018 Result: Matter Continued 08/22/2018 Response and Countermotion (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) Plaintiffs' Reply in Support of Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Opposition / Motion to Strike Improper Countermotion Result: Denied 08/22/2018 All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) **Parties Present Minutes** Result: Matter Heard 09/05/2018 Supplement First Supplement to Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees 09/12/2018 Supplement Supplement to First Supplement to Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees 09/18/2018 Order Order Denying Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award 09/18/2018 Notice of Entry of Order Notice of Entry of Order 09/20/2018 Certificate of Service Certificate of Service 09/21/2018 Certificate of Service Certificate of Service 09/25/2018 Declaration Declaration of Service 10/04/2018 Stipulation and Order Stipulation and Order Extending Briefing and Continuing Hearing Substitution of Attorney 10/09/2018

Motion to Extend Briefing on Order Shortening Time and Continue Hearing Date

Substitution of Attorneys

Motion to Extend

10/15/2018 Notice of Entry

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https://www.clarkcountycourts.us/Anonymous/CaseDetail.aspx?CaseID=11720168 1/7/2020 Notice of Entry of Order on Shortening Time 10/15/2018 Opposition Opposition to Motion to Extend Briefing on Order Shortening Time and Continue Hearing 10/17/2018 Motion (10:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) Plaintiffs' Motion to Extend Briefing on Order Shortening Time and Continue Hearing Date Minutes Result: Denied 10/25/2018 Supplement Plaintiffs/Counterdefendants Betty Chan and Asia American Realty & Property Management's Supplement to Plaintiffs Opposition Defendants/Counterclaimants Wayne Wu, Judicity Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp., Jerrin Chiu, KB Home Sales-Nevada, Inc.'s: (1) First Supplement to Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment, and for Attorney Fees (filed 09/15/18); and (2) Supplement to First Supplement to Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause for Summary Judgment, and for Attorneys Fees (filed )9/12/18) 10/29/2018 Reply Reply to Plaintiffs Supplement 10/30/2018 **Certificate of Service** Certificate of Service 10/31/2018 Memorandum of Costs and Disbursements Memorandum of Costs and Disbursements 11/14/2018 **Transcript of Proceedings** Defendants and Counterclaimants Wayne Wu, Judith Sullivan, Nevada Real Estate Corp. and Jerrin Chiu's Opposition to Motion to Vacate or Modify Arbitration Award and Countermotion to Recognize Wu as the Procuring Cause, for Summary Judgment and for Attorney Fees, October 31, 2018 11/30/2018 Minute Order (11:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) Minutes Result: Minute Order - No Hearing Held 12/31/2018 Transcript of Proceedings All Pending Motions, August 22, 2018 **Motion to Withdraw As Counsel** 01/03/2019 Motion to Withdraw As Counsel of Record Recorders Transcript of Hearing 01/25/2019 Plaintiffs' Motion to Extend Briefing on Order Shortening Time and Continue Hearing Date, October 17, 2018 01/29/2019 Notice of Change of Firm Name Notice of Change and Firm Name 02/11/2019 Minute Order (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) **Minutes** Result: Minute Order - No Hearing Held 02/19/2019 **Motion** Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late-Filed Opposition to Motion to Withdraw and New Mortion to Get a New Court Hearing Date 02/20/2019 CANCELED Motion to Withdraw as Counsel (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) Vacated 03/08/2019 Opposition to Motion Gentile Cristalli Miller Armeni & Savarese's Opposition to Betty Chan and Asian American Realty and Property Management's Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late Filed Opposition to Motion to Withdraw 03/21/2019 Order Granting Motion Order Granting Motion to Withdraw As Counsel of Record 03/21/2019 Notice of Entry of Order Notice of Entry of Order Granting Motion to Withdraw as Counsel of Record 03/22/2019 Order Order Granting Defendants Countermotion for Summary Judgment and Attorneys Fees and Costs 03/22/2019 Notice of Entry of Order Notice of Entry of Order 03/25/2019 Certificate of Service Certificate of Service 03/27/2019 Ex Parte Order Ex Parte Motion for an Order Shortening Time 03/27/2019 Motion for Writ of Attachment Motion for Writ of Execution on Plaintiffs Commissions Awarded by GLVAR Arbitration Panel 03/28/2019 **Motion for Writ of Attachment** Motion for Writ of Execution on Plaintiffs Commissions Awarded by GLVAR Arbitration Panel 04/01/2019 Response Response to Attorney Janiece Marshall's opposition and request additional time to locate another attorney replacement 04/01/2019 Minute Order (7:15 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) Minute Order Re: Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration Minutes Result: Minute Order - No Hearing Held 04/01/2019 Motion to vacate entry of order or Motion for extension of time to file reconsideration to the entry of order granting Defendant countermotion

CANCELED Motion For Reconsideration (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric)

Vacated - per Law Clerk

Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late-Filed Opposition to Motion to Withdraw and New Mortion to Get a New Court Hearing Date

04/04/2019 Ex Parte Motion

04/03/2019

Ex Parte Motion for an Order Shortenining Time

04/04/2019 Notice of Entry of Order Notice of Entry of Order

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04/08/2019 **Motion** 

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Certificate of Service All Pending Motions (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric) 05/01/2019

Parties Present

Opposition

Notice

**Minutes** 

Result: Matter Heard **Transcript of Proceedings** 

05/01/2019

Defendant's Motion For Writ of Execution, April 17, 2019 Order

05/01/2019

ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS MOTION TO STAY EXECUTION PENDING APPEAL

05/01/2019 Notice of Entry of Order

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS MOTION TO STAY EXECUTION PENDING APPEAL

05/03/2019 Order

Order Denying Plaintiffs' Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late-Filed Opposition to Motion to Withdraw Miscellaneous Filing

05/03/2019

Transcript Request Statement

05/06/2019 **Notice of Entry of Order** 

Notice of Entry of Order Denying Plaintiffs' Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late-Filed Opposition to Motion to

Withdraw

05/07/2019 Notice of Posting

PLAINTIFFS NOTICE OF POSTING SUPERSEDEAS BOND

12/11/2019 **Notice of Hearing** 

Notice of Hearing

06/17/2020 Status Check (8:30 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric)

Status Check: Appeal

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Counter Claimant Chiu, Jerin Total Financial Assessment 30.00 Total Payments and Credits 30.00 Balance Due as of 01/07/2020 0.00 12/06/2016 **Transaction Assessment** 30.00 12/06/2016 Efile Payment Receipt # 2016-118241-CCCLK Chiu, Jerin (30.00)

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02/06/2017	Transaction Assessment Efile Payment Transaction Assessment	Receipt # 2017-11511-CCCLK	Wu, Wayne	200.00 (200.00)		
08/07/2018 08/07/2018 04/26/2019	Efile Payment Transaction Assessment	Receipt # 2018-52188-CCCLK	Wu, Wayne	200.00 (200.00) 10.00		
04/26/2019		Receipt # 2019-25725-CCCLK	Wu, Wayne	(10.00)		
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Asian American Realty & Property Management

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### **REGISTER OF ACTIONS**

Case No. A-16-744109-C

Betty Chan, Plaintiff(s) vs. Wayne Wu, Defendant(s)

Case Type: Other Contract Date Filed: 09/27/2016  $\omega$   $\omega$   $\omega$   $\omega$   $\omega$   $\omega$   $\omega$ Location: Department 20

Cross-Reference Case A744109

Number:

Supreme Court No.: 78666

	Party Information	
Counter Claimant	Chiu, Jerin	Lead Attorneys Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Nevada Real Estate Corp	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Sullivan, Judith	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Claimant	Wu, Wayne	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Counter Defendant	Chan, Betty	R Duane Frizell Retained 702-657-6000(W)
Defendant	Chiu, Jerin	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
Defendant	KB Home Sales-Nevada Inc	Janice M Michaels Retained 702-251-4100(W)
Defendant	Nevada Real Estate Corp	Michael A. Olsen Retained 702-855-5658(W)
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#### EVENTS & ORDERS OF THE COURT

04/01/2019 Minute Order (7:15 AM) (Judicial Officer Johnson, Eric)

Minute Order Re: Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration

#### **Minutes**

04/01/2019 7:15 AM

- Plaintiffs Betty Chan and Asian American Realty & Property Management filed a Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late-Filed Opposition to Motion to Withdraw on February 19, 2019. The matter was subsequently scheduled for hearing on April 3, 2019. After considering the pleadings and argument of counsel, the Court DENIES Plaintiffs' Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Motion to Withdraw and Late-Filed Opposition to Motion to Withdraw. The Court finds that Plaintiffs have not provided "substantially different evidence" or demonstrated that the Court's decision was "clearly erroneous" as required for a motion for reconsideration. Further, the Court finds that there is nothing pending in this litigation. The Court has granted Summary Judgment in favor of Defendants and dealt with all claims pending in this litigation. Therefore, allowing counsel to withdraw at this time does not place Plaintiffs in a materially adverse position. The Court further finds that counsel had good cause for withdrawing from this matter. The Court finds that there was a significant breakdown in both communication and in the attorney-client relationship such that the representation could not continue. Therefore, withdrawal was appropriate in this instance and the Court declines to reconsider its ruling. The Court hereby VACATES the April 3, 2019 hearing. Janiece Marshall, Esq., is directed to prepare a proposed order and submit it to chambers for signature. Law Clerk to notify the parties.

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#### Notice

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#### IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

#### OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR

#### THE COUNTY OF CLARK

BETTY CHAN and ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT,

Plaintiff,

vs.

WAYNE WU, JUDITH SULLIVAN, NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP., JERRIN CHIU, KB HOME SALES-NEVADA INC.

Defendant

Case No.: A-16-744109-C

Dept No. XX

#### NOTICE OF APPEAL

Date of Hearing: N/A
Time of Hearing: N/A

#### **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Notice is hereby given that Betty Chan and Asian American Realty & Property Management,

Plaintiffs above named, hereby appeals to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the Order granting

Defendants/Counter Claimants' Countermotion to recognize Wu as the Procuring clause, for

Summary judgment, and for attorneys fees entered in this action on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019.

Betty Chan and Asian American Realty

& Property Management, pro per.

5/1/2019 11:31 AM Steven D. Grierson CLERK OF THE COURT ORDR 1 R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 9807 FRIZELL LAW FIRM 400 N. Stephanie St., Suite 265 3 Henderson, Nevada 89014 Office (702) 657-6000 4 Facsimile (702) 657-0065 dfrizell@frizelllaw.com 5 Attorney for Plaintiffs/ Counter-Defendants 6 EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT 7 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 8 BETTY CHAN and ASIAN CASE NO: A-16-744109-C AMERICAN REALTY & 9 DEPT NO: 20 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, 10 Plaintiffs, VS. 11 WAYNE WU; JUDITH SULLIVAN; 12 NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP.; JERRIN CHIU; and KB HOME 13 SALES-NEVADA INC.; 14 Defendants. 15 ORDER ON PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO STAY EXECUTION PENDING APPEAL 16 On May 1, 2019, the Court heard Plaintiffs' Motion to Stay Execution Pending Appeal 17 (filed Apr. 24, 2019) [hereinafter the "Motion"]. Present at the hearing were the following: 18 19 For Plaintiffs: R. Duane Frizell, Esq. 20 Michael A. Olsen, Esq. For Defendants: 21 Thomas R. Grover, Esq. 22 Keith D. Routsong, Esq. 23 Having reviewed Plaintiffs' Motion, Defendants' Opposition and Countermotion, the 24 other pleadings and papers on file with the Court, and the arguments of counsel, the Court finds 25 just, good, and sufficient cause for granting the Motion pursuant to the following terms: 26 27 Plaintiffs' Motion is hereby GRANTED. 28

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1 NOP(CIV) R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. 2 Nevada Bar No. 9807 FRIZELL LAW FIRM 3 400 N. Stephanie St., Suite 265 Henderson, Nevada 89014 4 Office (702) 657-6000 Facsimile (702) 657-0065 5 dfrizell@frizelllaw.com Attorney for Plaintiffs/ 6 Counter-Defendants 7 EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA** 8 BETTY CHAN and ASIAN CASE NO: A-16-744109-C 9 AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, DEPT NO: 20 10 Plaintiffs. 11 VS. 12 WAYNE WU; JUDITH SULLIVAN; NEVADA REAL ESTATE CORP.; 13 JERRIN CHIU: and KB HOME SALES-NEVADA INC.; 14 Defendants. 15 16 PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF POSTING SUPERSEDEAS BOND 17 TO: The Court 18 TO: All Parties and their counsel of record 19 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to the Court's Order on Plaintiffs' Motion to Stay 20 Execution Pending Appeal (filed May 1, 2019), Plaintiffs/Counter-Defendants BETTY CHAN and 21 ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT posted a supersedeas bond on 22 May 3, 2019 in the amount of \$33,533.75. True and correct copies of the cashier's check and 23 Court Clerk's official receipt are attached hereto as *Exhibit 1*. 24 DATED May 7, 2019. 25 FRIZELL LAW FIRM 26 /s/R. Duane Frízell By: 27 R. DUANE FRIZELL, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 9807 28 Attorneys for Plaintiffs/ Counter-Defendants

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1	<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>					
2	I hereby certify that I am a citizen of the United States and am employed in Clark County, Nevada, where this service occurs. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within					
3	entitled action; my business address is 400 N. Stephanie St., Suite 265, Henderson, Nevada 89014.					
4			foregoing PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF POSTING			
5	SUPERSE	<b>DEAS BOND</b> on interested par	rty(ies) in this action, as follows:			
6		EL A. OLSEN, ESQ. State Bar No. 6076	JANICE M. MICHAELS, ESQ. Nevada State Bar No. 6062			
7	THOMA	S R. GROVER, ESQ. State Bar No. 12387	WOOD SMITH HENNING & BERMAN, LLP 2881 Business Park Court, Suite 200			
8	KEITH I	D. ROTSONG, ESQ. State Bar No. 14944	Las Vegas, Nevada 89128 Attorney for Defendant			
9	BLACKRO	OCK LEGAL, LLC 7. Twain Ave., Suite 100	KB Home Sales-Nevada Inc.			
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15	other attacl	nments, by the following indica	ted method(s):			
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17	listed indiv	iduals, and deposited with the U	Jnited State Postal Service;			
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21		by electronic mail to the last	known e-mail address of the attorney/the party.			
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23			/s/ Aigin Niu			
24			Aiqin Niu, an employee of FRIZELL LAW FIRM			
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#### PURCHASER'S COPY OF CASHIER'S CHECK

A division of Zions Bancorporation, N.A. Member FDIC

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ASIAN AMERICAN REALTY AND PROPERTY MGMT

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Date

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The Order

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Authorized Signature

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### OFFICIAL RECEIPT

### District Court Clerk of the Court 200 Lewis Ave, 3rd Floor Las Vegas, NV 89101

Payor					
Asian Am	nerican	Realty	and	Property	Mamt

Receipt No. 2019-27560-CCCLK

> Transaction Date 05/3/2019

Description Amount Paid

On Behalf Of Asian American Realty & Property Management A-16-744109-C

Betty Chan, Plaintiff(s) vs. Wayne Wu, Defendant(s)

Supersedeas Bond

Supersedeas Bond SUBTOTAL

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**PAYMENT TOTAL** 33,533.75

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### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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Appellants,

VS.

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Respondents.

No. 78666

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
BY S.Young
DEPUTY CLERK

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This is an appeal from a district court order granting a motion for summary judgment and awarding attorney fees and costs. Initial review of the docketing statement and documents before this court reveals a potential jurisdictional defect. It appears that the notice of appeal may have been prematurely filed after the filing of a timely tolling motion for reconsideration on April 1, 2019, but before that motion was formally resolved by the district court. See NRAP 4(a)(4), 4(a)(6); AA Primo Builders, LLC, v. Washington, 126 Nev. 578, 585, 245 P.3d 1190, 1195 (2010) (explaining when a post-judgment motion carries tolling effect).

Accordingly, appellants shall have 30 days from the date of this order to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. This court notes that any jurisdictional defect may be cured by providing this court with a copy of a written, file-stamped order resolving the April 1, 2019, motion. Respondents may file any reply within 14 days of service of appellants' response. Failure to demonstrate that this court has jurisdiction may result in the dismissal of this appeal.

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA

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The deadlines to file documents in this appeal are suspended pending further order of this court.

It is so ORDERED.

\_, C.J.

cc: Frizell Law Firm, PLLC Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman, LLP/Las Vegas Blackrock Legal, LLC

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