2/24/2021 12:33 PM 1 Steven D. Grierson NOAS (CIV) CLERK OF THE COURT Thomas Christensen, Esq. 2 Nevada Bar No. 2326 3 1000 S. Valley View Blvd. Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 4 T: (702) 870-1000 Electronically Filed F: (702) 870-6152 5 Feb 26 2021 11:06 a.m. courtnotices@injuryhelpnow.com Elizabeth A. Brown Attorney for Plaintiffs 6 Clerk of Supreme Court 7 DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 8 Damaso S. Puente, individually and on behalf of 9 the Estate of Damaso I. Puente, Maria Puente, CASE NO:A-20-813787-C Daniel Malone, and Diane Malone, individually 10 DEPT. NO: 18 and on behalf of the Estate of Christa Puente, 11 Plaintiffs, 12 VS. 13 Henry Biderman Aparicio, Morgan Hurley, Dave 14 & Buster's of Nevada, Inc dba Dave & Buster's; Dave & Buster's Inc; MAT-SUMMERLIN LLC, 15 dba Casa del Matador Summerlin; MATADOR INVESTMENTS, LLC; OPPER MELANG 5410, 16 LLC; MEL-OPP & GRIFF, LLC; OPP MEL & GRIFF, INC.; MOCORE, LLC; DOES I - V, and 17 ROE CORPORATIONS I - V, ROE 18 MANUFACTURER I - V; ROE WHOLESALER, I - V; ROE RETAILER, I - V; 19 Defendants. 20 21 NOTICE OF APPEAL 22 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Plaintiffs, by and through their counsel of record, 23 Thomas Christensen, Esq. hereby appeal to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the Order 24 granting Defendant Dave & Buster's, Inc.'s Motions to Dismiss and Motion for Summary 25 Judgment entered in this action on July 14, 2020, December 14, 2020 and January 26, 2021 and 26 all other orders made 27 /// 28

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4	DATED this 24th day of February, 2021.
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15	OFFICES, LLC and that on this 45th day of January, 2021, I served a copy of the foregoing
16	NOTICE OF APPEAL as follows:
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9	4. Respondents and Counsel for Respondents:
10	Respondents:
11	Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc dba Dave & Buster's
12	Counsel:
13	Michael Lowry, Esq.
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15	6689 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89119
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18	5. Are the identified counsel licensed to practice law in Nevada? Yes.
19	6. Was Appellant represented by retained or appointed counsel in District Court:
20	Appellant was and is represented by retained counsel.
21	7. Is Respondent represented by retained or appointed counsel on appeal:
22	Respondent was and is represented by retained counsel on appeal.
23	8. Was Appellant granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis, and date of order:
24	Appellant was not granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis.
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26	9. The date the proceedings commenced in District Court: April 17, 2020.
27	10. Brief Description of the Nature of the Action and the Result:
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On May 15, 2018, two Nevada citizens were killed when stopped at a light and rear-ended at high speed. Allegations of the complaint alleged facts which supported causes of action against Appellant Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc., (hereinafter "Dave & Buster's") including Dave and Buster's wrongful act, neglect or default under NRS 41.130 as a matter of law for violation by Dave and Busters's of codes making it illegal to serve alcohol to an intoxicated person. Plaintiff's Complaint alleged facts supporting causes of action against Dave & Buster's for negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring. The allegations in the complaint against Dave & Buster's alleged actions and inactions some of which were wanton and willful misconduct which have resulted in liability under the common law. See *Davies v. Butler*, 95 Nev. 763, 773 (Nev. 1980).

Plaintiff further alleged that NRS 41.1305(1) was not intended by the legislature to eliminate or limit any common law causes of action nor restrict the continuing development of the common law as it relates to these causes of action. NRS 41.1305(1) has never been interpreted by a Nevada appellate court but if interpreted as a complete bar to the above causes of action it would be unconstitutional.

Dave and Buster's filed a Motion to Dismiss. In response to Dave & Buster's Motion to Dismiss, Plaintiff argued NRS 41.1305(1), which has yet to be interpreted by any appellate court in Nevada, by its language, does not eliminate any of the Plaintiffs' causes of action, nor give liquor vendors a license to kill in Nevada. Plaintiffs argued the statute does not authorize serving alcohol to an already drunk individual minor or adult. Dave & Buster's alleged that NRS 41.1305 is a complete bar to all causes of action for licensees legally providing alcohol in Nevada. The Court denied the Motion and Ordered Plaintiff to file an amended Complaint.

(Order dated July 1,2020). The Amended Complaint alleged that NRS 41.1305, if applied as Dave & Buster's suggested in its Motion to Dismiss, is unconstitutional.

Dave & Buster's then filed a Renewed Motion to Dismiss. The Court determined Plaintiffs could prove one set of facts that could support a claim for relief and Granted in Part and Denied in Part the Motion. (Order dated December 14, 2020). Therein, the Court concluded NRS 41.1305 did not bar a negligence cause of action, but only to the extent Dave & Buster's assisted Mr. Aparicio to the vehicle he drove.

Following initial discovery, Dave & Buster's then filed a Motion for Summary Judgment, claiming no issues of fact with regard to anyone from Dave & Buster's assisting Mr. Aparicio to the vehicle he drove. The summary judgment was opposed by plaintiff's with evidence of violations of internal protocols by Dave and Buster's at least as negligent as helping the drive to his vehicle and a request for NRCP 56(d) relief since discovery had only recently commenced and the Plaintiffs were the survivors and therefore had no ability to contest the motion without discovery. The Court agreed with Dave & Buster's and granted its Motion for Summary Judgment and certified the order per Rule 54(b). (Order dated January 26, 2021).

11. Prior Appeals or Writ Proceedings

There are no prior appeals or writ proceedings related to this matter.

12. Child Custody and Visitation

This case does not involve issues of child custody or visitation.

13. If this is a civil case indicate whether this appeal involves the possibility of settlement.

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1	This is a civil case. Appellant believes there is a possibility of settling this matter.
2 3	Dated this 24th day of February, 2021.
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CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-20-813787-C

Damaso Puente, Plaintiff(s) vs. Henry Aparicio, Defendant(s)

Plaintiff

\$ Location: Department 18
\$ Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay
\$ Filed on: 04/17/2020
\$ Cross-Reference Case Number:

CASE INFORMATION

Case Type: Negligence - Auto

Case Status: **04/17/2020 Open**

DATE CASE ASSIGNMENT

Current Case Assignment

Case Number A-20-813787-C
Court Department 18
Date Assigned 04/17/2020
Judicial Officer Holthus, Mary Kay

PARTY INFORMATION

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Estate of Damaso I Puente Christensen, Thomas F.

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Defendant Aparicio, Henry Biderman Backus, Shea A.

Retained 702-872-5555(W)

Dave & Busters Inc

Removed: 06/09/2020

Dismissed

Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Lowry, Michael P.

Retained 702-727-1400(W)

Hurley, Morgan Backus, Shea A.

Retained 702-872-5555(W)

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MAT Summerlin LLC

Koning, Michael A. Retained 702-258-6238(W)

Matador Investments LLC

Removed: 06/19/2020

Dismissed

Mel-Opp & Griff LLC

Removed: 06/19/2020

Dismissed

Koning, Michael A. Retained 702-258-6238(W)

Opp Mel & Griff Inc

Mocore LLC

Removed: 06/19/2020 Dismissed

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Removed: 06/19/2020

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Special Administrator Malone, Diane

Christensen, Thomas F.
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Puente, Damaso S

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Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente

Complaint

04/17/2020



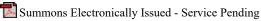
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04/17/2020	Summons Electronically Issued - Service Pending Summons
05/14/2020	Waiver Filed by: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Waiver
05/19/2020	Waiver Filed by: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane Waiver
05/20/2020	Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss
05/20/2020	Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Busters of Nevada, Inc. s Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure
05/20/2020	Disclosure Statement Party: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Buster s of Nevada, Inc. s NRCP 7.1 Disclosure
05/21/2020	Clerk's Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing
06/02/2020	Answer to Complaint Filed by: Defendant MAT Summerlin LLC; Defendant Mocore LLC Defendants Mocore LLC and Mat-Summerlin LLC d/b/a The Matador's Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint
06/02/2020	Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure Filed By: Defendant MAT Summerlin LLC; Defendant Mocore LLC Defendants Mocore LLC and Mat-Summerlin LLC d/b/a The Matador Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure

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06/02/2020	Demand for Jury Trial Filed By: Defendant MAT Summerlin LLC; Defendant Mocore LLC Defendants Mocore LLC and Mat-Summerlin LLC d/b/a The Matador's Demand for Jury Trial
06/02/2020	Disclosure Statement Party: Defendant MAT Summerlin LLC Defendant Mat-Summerlin LLC d/b/a The Matador's NRCP 7.1 Disclosure Statement
06/02/2020	Disclosure Statement Party: Defendant Mocore LLC Defendant Mocore LLC's NRCP 7.1 Disclosure Statement
06/09/2020	Opposition to Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Plaintiffs' Opposition to Dave & Buster's Motion to Dismiss
06/09/2020	Notice of Voluntary Dismissal Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Notice of Voluntary Dismissal
06/15/2020	Waiver Filed by: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Notice of Waiver
06/15/2020	Waiver Filed by: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Notice of Waiver
06/16/2020	Answer to Complaint Filed by: Defendant Hurley, Morgan Defendant Morgan Hurley's Answer to Complaint
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06/16/2020	Demand for Jury Trial Filed By: Defendant Aparicio, Henry Biderman Demand for Jury Trial
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06/16/2020	Answer to Complaint Filed by: Defendant Aparicio, Henry Biderman Henry Aparicio's Answer to Complaint

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06/19/2020	Stipulation and Order for Dismissal Without Prejudice STIPULATION AND ORDER TO DISMISS MATADOR INVESTMENTS LLC; OPPER MELANG 5410, LLC; MEL-OPP AND GRIFF, LLC; AND OPPMEL AND GRIFF, INC. WITHOUT PREJUDICE
06/19/2020	Notice of Entry Filed By: Defendant Matador Investments LLC Notice of Entry of Stipulation and Order to Dismiss Matador Investments LLC, Opper Melang 5410 LLC, Mel-Opp and Griff, LLC and Opp Mel Griff, Inc. Without Prejudice
06/22/2020	Request for Exemption From Arbitration Filed by: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Request for Exemption from Arbitration
06/24/2020	Reply to Opposition Filed by: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Reply re Motion to Dismiss
07/09/2020	Commissioners Decision on Request for Exemption - Granted Commissioner's Decision on Request for Exemption - GRANTED
07/14/2020	Order Denying Motion Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Order on Dave & Buster s of Nevada, Inc s Motion to Dismiss
07/24/2020	Notice of Early Case Conference Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Notice of Early Case Conference
08/07/2020	First Amended Complaint Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane First Amended Complaint
08/14/2020	Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Renewed Motion to Dismiss
08/18/2020	Clerk's Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing
08/25/2020	Answer Filed By: Defendant Aparicio, Henry Biderman Henry Aparicio's Answer to First Amended Complaint
08/25/2020	Answer to Amended Complaint Filed By: Defendant Hurley, Morgan Defendant Morgan Hurley's Answer to First Amended Complaint
09/01/2020	Answer to Amended Complaint Filed By: Defendant MAT Summerlin LLC; Defendant Mocore LLC

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	CASE 110. A-20-013/07-C
	Defendant's Mocore LLC and Mat-Summerlin LLC d/b/a The Matador's Answer to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint
09/02/2020	Opposition to Motion to Dismiss Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Plaintiffs' Opposition to Dave & Buster's Renewed Motion to Dismiss
09/09/2020	Reply to Motion Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Busters of Nevada, Inc. s Reply re Renewed Motion to Dismiss
10/20/2020	Joint Case Conference Report Filed By: Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Joint Case Conference Report
10/21/2020	Recorders Transcript of Hearing Recorder's Transcript Re: Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Renewed Motion to Dismiss - September 16, 2020
11/14/2020	Motion to Quash Nevada Defense Group's Motion to Quash Subpoena Duces Tecum for Business Records
11/16/2020	Clerk's Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing
11/16/2020	Opposition to Motion Dave & Buster s of Nevada, Inc s Opposition to Motion to Quash
11/17/2020	Motion to Quash Nevada Defense Group's Motion to Quash Subpoena Duces Tecum for Business Records
11/18/2020	Clerk's Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing
11/23/2020	Notice of Change Filed By: Defendant Mocore LLC Defendant Mocore LLC dba Mat-Summerlin LLC dba The Matador Notice of Change of Handling Attorney
12/02/2020	Order ORDER SCHEDULING MANDATORY CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
12/02/2020	Answer Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Answer to Amended Complaint
12/02/2020	Demand for Jury Trial Dave & Buster s of Nevada, Inc s Jury Demand
12/03/2020	Motion for Summary Judgment Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc

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	CASE NO. A-20-813/8/-C
	Dave & Buster s of Nevada, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment
12/04/2020	Clerk's Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing
12/14/2020	Order Filed By: Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Order Dave & Buster's Renewed Motion to Dismiss
12/15/2020	Notice of Entry Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Special Administrator Malone, Diane Notice of Entry of Order
12/17/2020	Opposition to Motion For Summary Judgment Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Plaintiff's Opposition to Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Motion for Summary Judgment
12/23/2020	Scheduling and Trial Order Scheduling Order and Order Setting Civil Jury Trial, Pre-Trial Conference/ Calendar Call
12/28/2020	Reply to Motion Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Reply re Motion for Summary Judgment
01/26/2021	Order Granting Summary Judgment Order re Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment
01/26/2021	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Notice of Entry
01/28/2021	Memorandum of Costs and Disbursements Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Memorandum of Costs
01/29/2021	Order Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Order re Nevada Defense Group's Motion to Quash
01/29/2021	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Notice of Entry of Order
02/03/2021	Amended Certificate of Service Amended Certificate of Service for Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Memorandum of Costs
02/15/2021	Motion for Attorney Fees Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Dave & Busters of Nevada, Inc's Motion for Fees
02/16/2021	Clerk's Notice of Hearing Notice of Hearing

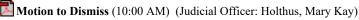
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02/17/2021 M Order Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Order Granting Dave and Buster's Of Nevada Memorandum of Cost 02/17/2021 Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc Notice of Entry 02/24/2021 Notice of Appeal Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Notice of Appeal 02/24/2021 **E** Case Appeal Statement Filed By: Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S; Plaintiff Estate of Damaso I Puente; Plaintiff Puente, Maria; Plaintiff Malone, Daniel; Special Administrator Malone, Diane; Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente Case Appeal Statement **DISPOSITIONS** 06/15/2020 Dismissal Pursuant to NRCP 41 (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Debtors: Dave & Busters Inc (Defendant) Creditors: Damaso S Puente (Plaintiff), Estate of Damaso I Puente (Plaintiff), Maria Puente (Plaintiff), Daniel Malone (Plaintiff), Diane Malone (Plaintiff), Estate of Christa Puente (Plaintiff) Judgment: 06/15/2020, Docketed: 06/16/2020 06/19/2020 Order of Dismissal Without Prejudice (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Debtors: Damaso S Puente (Plaintiff), Estate of Damaso I Puente (Plaintiff), Maria Puente (Plaintiff), Daniel Malone (Plaintiff), Diane Malone (Plaintiff), Estate of Christa Puente (Plaintiff) Creditors: Matador Investments LLC (Defendant), Opper Meland 5410 LLC (Defendant), Mel-Opp & Griff LLC (Defendant), Opp Mel & Griff Inc (Defendant) Judgment: 06/19/2020, Docketed: 06/22/2020 01/26/2021 Summary Judgment (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Debtors: Damaso S Puente (Plaintiff), Estate of Damaso I Puente (Plaintiff), Maria Puente (Plaintiff), Daniel Malone (Plaintiff), Diane Malone (Plaintiff), Estate of Christa Puente (Plaintiff) Creditors: Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc (Defendant) Judgment: 01/26/2021, Docketed: 01/28/2021 02/17/2021 Judgment (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Debtors: Damaso S Puente (Special Administrator, Plaintiff), Estate of Damaso I Puente (Plaintiff), Maria Puente (Plaintiff), Daniel Malone (Plaintiff), Diane Malone (Special Administrator, Plaintiff), Estate of Christa Puente (Plaintiff) Creditors: Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc (Defendant) Judgment: 02/17/2021, Docketed: 02/18/2021 Total Judgment: 866.19 **HEARINGS** 07/01/2020 Motion to Dismiss (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss Denied; Journal Entry Details: Thomas Christensen, Esq., Michael Rawlings, Esq., Michael Lowry, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference. Statements by Mr. Lowry. Colloquy between parties. Arguments by Mr. Christensen. Following colloquy, COURT ORDERED, Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss was hereby DENIED; however, Court noted it would deny for now and

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allow amendment. Mr. Christensen to prepare Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content. Mr. Christensen indicated in Order he would grant Deft. leave to amend and deny without prejudice. COURT DIRECTED Mr. Christensen to clear up which Deft. did what. Mr. Christensen concurred.;

09/16/2020



Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Renewed Motion to Dismiss Granted in Part;

Journal Entry Details:

Thomas Christensen, Esq., Michael Rawlings, Esq., Michael Lowry, Esq. and Jacqueline Franco, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference. Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Lowry indicated the instant Motion was a renewed Motion to Dismiss which was previously denied without prejudice; additionally, Mr. Lowry indicated they reassessed the Complaint and refiled. Arguments by Mr. Christensen. Statements by Mr. Lowry. Court noted it did believe statute was clear and would leave the first cause of action that would appear to take it out the door. Additionally, Court noted there may had been liability that Deft. couldn't find his car which Dave & Buster's facilitated getting Deft. to his casr; however, it wasn't comfortable dismissing that cause of action at the instant time. Further Court indicated with respect to the remainder the statute stated Dave & Buster's just wasn't liable as to damages as to the service of alcohol. Statements by Mr. Lowry. COURT ORDERED, Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Renewed Motion to Dismiss was hereby GRANTED IN PART, DENIED IN PART. Mr. Lowry to prepare Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content.

12/16/2020

CANCELED Motion to Quash (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay)

Vacated
Nevada Defense Group's Motion to Quash Subpoena Duces Tecum for Business Records

12/16/2020

Mandatory Rule 16 Conference (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

Dawn Hooker, Esq., Michael Koning, Esq. and Jeremy Robins, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference. Court referred parties to Judge Wiese's Department; further, advised parties to contact Department 30 to set up a settlement conference if needed. COURT ORDERED, discovery cutoff is January 24, 2022; adding parties, amended pleadings, and initial expert disclosures DUE October 26, 2021; rebuttal expert disclosures DUE November 25, 2021; dispositive motions TO BE FILED BY February 23, 2022, trial ready date April 25, 2022. 6/15/22 9:00 AM CALENDAR CALL 6/27/22 1:00 PM JURY TRIAL;

01/06/2021

Motion to Quash (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) 01/06/2021, 01/13/2021

Nevada Defense Group's Motion to Quash Subpoena Duces Tecum for Business Records Matter Continued:

Granted in Part:

Matter Continued;

Granted in Part;

Journal Entry Details:

Thomas Christensen, Esq., Dawn Hooker, Esq., Shannon Mitchell, Esq., Virgina Tomova, Esq. and Jeremy Robins, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference. Counsel from Nevada Defense Group not present. Court noted it assumed counsel wasn't seeking any privileged documents or information, which Ms. Tomova concurred, noting they weren't seeking any information that hadn't been disclosed. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED to the following week to see if Nevada Defense Group would be present. Court advised parties it was inclined to grant the instant Motion; however, it needed clarification that no one was seeking privileged and confidential information. Colloquy between parties. 1/13/21 10:00 AM CONTINUED: NEVADA DEFENSE GROUP'S MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR BUSINESS RECORDS CLERK'S NOTE: The above minute order has been distributed to: Damian Sheets, Esq. (dsheets@defendingnevada.com)//1-7-21/ dy;

01/13/2021

Motion for Summary Judgment (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Dave & Buster s of Nevada, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment Granted;

CASE SUMMARY CASE NO. A-20-813787-C

01/13/2021	All Pending Motions (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Holthus, Mary Kay) Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details: Thomas Christiensen, Esq., Michael Koning, Esq., Michael Lowry, Esq. and Jeremy Robins, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference. Kelsey Bernstein, Esq. present on behalf of the Nevada Defense Group. DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENTNEVADA DEFENSE GROUP'S MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA DUCES	
	TECUM FOR BUSINESS RECORDS As to NEVADA DEFENSE GROUP'S MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR BUSINESS RECORDS: Upon Court's inquiry, Ms. Bernstein noted the discovery was received from the criminal case and is confidential due to that case being active; therefore, without a Court Order, she didn't believe they could give that up. Court noted it could sign a Court Order; therefore, DIRECTED Ms. Bernstein to submit a Court Order to that effect and to the extent reports were redacted. Mr. Lowry noted he would prepare an Order and that should take care of the Motion to Quash. COURT ORDERED, the instant Motion was hereby GRANTED IN PART. Mr. Lowry to prepare the Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content. As to DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT: Statements by Mr. Christensen. Colloquy between parties. Following colloquy, COURT ORDERED, Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment was hereby GRANTED; therefore, Dave & Buster's was out. Mr. Robins stipulated on the certification. No opposition by Mr. Koning. Mr. Lowry to prepare the Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content.;	
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Defendant Aparicio, Henry Biderman	
Total Charges	223.00
Total Payments and Credits	223.00
Balance Due as of 2/25/2021	0.00
Defendant Dave & Busters of Nevada Inc	
Total Charges	423.00
Total Payments and Credits	423.00
Balance Due as of 2/25/2021	0.00
Defendant Hurley, Morgan	
Total Charges	223.00
Total Payments and Credits	223.00
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Defendant Mocore LLC	
Total Charges	253.00
Total Payments and Credits	253.00
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Plaintiff Estate of Christa Puente	
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Special Administrator Puente, Damaso S Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 2/25/2021	294.00 294.00 0.00
Plaintiff Puente, Maria Total Charges Total Payments and Credits Balance Due as of 2/25/2021	30.00 30.00 0.00

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DISTRICT COURT

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Damaso S. Puente, individually and on behalf of the Estate of Damaso I. Puente; Maria Puente; Daniel Malone; and Diane Malone, individually and on behalf of the Estate of Christa Puente,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Henry Biderman Aparicio; Morgan Hurley; Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc. dba Dave & Buster's; MAT-Summerlin, LLC dba Casa del Matador Summerlin; Mocore, LLC; Does I-V, and Roe Corportations I-V, Roe Manufacturer I-V; Roe Wholesaler I-V; Roe Retailer I-V,

Defendants.

Case No.: A-20-813787-C

Dept. No.: 18

Order on Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Motion to Dismiss

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Case Number: A-20-813787-C

Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc. moved to dismiss per NRCP 12(b)(5). Plaintiffs opposed and the motion was heard on July 1, 2020. Michael Lowry appeared for Dave & Buster's, Thomas Christensen appeared for Plaintiffs. The Court denies Dave & Buster's motion without prejudice. As pled, it is unclear to the Court what Plaintiffs allege Dave and Buster's did. Plaintiffs are granted leave to file an amended complaint.

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/s/ Michael Lowry MICHAEL P. LOWRY, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 10666 6689 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Suite 200 Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 Attorneys for Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.	/s/ Tom Christensen THOMAS F. CHRISTENSEN, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 2326 1000 S Valley View Blvd Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 Attorney for Plaintiffs
	It is so ordered. May Kay Johnson DISTRICT JUDGE Date: July 13th, 2020

Kelley, Cynthia H.

From: Dawn Hooker <dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 4:05 PM

To: Lowry, Michael

Subject: Re: Puente: Proposed Order

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Yes, that looks fine.

You may use my esignature. Thank you very much.

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On Wed, Jul 8, 2020 at 4:00 PM Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com> wrote:

I could live with that. Attached is a revised order. Will it work for you too?

From: Dawn Hooker [mailto:dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 15:43

To: Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com>

Cc: <u>courtnotices@injuryhelpnow.com</u> **Subject:** Re: Puente: Proposed Order

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Okay, keeping that sentence would be okay to keep. So, it would say:

"The Court denies Dave & Buster's motion without prejudice. As pled, it is unclear to the Court what Plaintiffs allege Dave and Buster's did. Plaintiffs are granted leave to file an amended complaint."

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On Tue, Jul 7, 2020 at 5:40 PM Lowry, Michael < Michael. Lowry@wilsonelser.com> wrote:

Thank you, but the order needs to state some reason why the court ruled as it did. I kept it as simple as I could based upon what the judge said during the hearing. If you have alternative language to "As pled it is unclear to the court what Plaintiffs' allege Dave & Buster's did" I'm willing to consider it.

From: Dawn Hooker [mailto:dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 15:55

To: Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com >

Cc: <u>courtnotices@injuryhelpnow.com</u> **Subject:** Re: Puente: Proposed Order

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hello Michael:

I spoke to Mr. Christensen, who appeared at the hearing on this and he would prefer to have more simple language in the order.

After the introductory sentences regarding the motion, date and appearances, etc. could you change it to read as follows:

"The Court denies Dave and Buster's Motion without prejudice. Plaintiffs are granted leave to file an amended complaint."

If you are okay with that language, you may affix my electronic signature. (Bar number 7019). Thank you.

Dawn Allysa Hooker, Esq.

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On Fri, Jul 3, 2020 at 8:43 AM Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com> wrote:

Hello,

A draft of the proposed order from the July 1 hearing is attached. If acceptable, please just reply and confirm that. I will then submit it to the court electronically.

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Damaso S. Puente, individually and on behalf of the Estate of Damaso I. Puente, Maria Puente, Daniel Malone, and Diane Malone, individually and on behalf of the Estate of Christa Puente,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

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Defendants.

CASE NO:A-20-813787-C DEPT. NO: XVIII

ORDER RE: DAVE & BUSTER'S RENEWED MOTION TO DISMISS

Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc. moved to dismiss the amended complaint per NRCP 12(b)(5). Dave & Buster's argued that NRS 41.1305(1) bars and eliminates all causes of action against Dave and Buster's. Plaintiffs opposed and the motion was heard on September 16, 2020. Michael Lowry appeared for Dave & Buster's, Thomas Christensen appeared for Plaintiffs.

 When evaluating a motion to dismiss per NRCP 12(b)(5), the district court accepts all factual allegations in the complaint as true and draws all inferences in the plaintiffs' favor. Dismissal is appropriate "only if it appears beyond a doubt that [the plaintiff] could prove no set of facts, which, if true, would entitle [her] to relief." *Buzz Stew, LLC v. City of N. Las Vegas*, 124 Nev. 224, 228, 181 P.3d 670, 672 (2008).

Dave & Buster's argued that the facts alleged in the amended complaint are all subject to NRS 41.1305(1). If so, then Dave & Buster's argues Plaintiffs' causes of action against it are barred. Plaintiffs opposed, arguing NRS 41.1305(1) did not abrogate the common law causes of action against liquor providers pled in their complaint, including negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring, and negligence per se. The Plaintiff argued that NRS 41.1305(1) did not abrogate any common law causes of action against liquor providers, but only served to protect licensees from strict liability for reasonable service of alcohol, while making social hosts strictly liable for any amount of alcohol served to minors. Plaintiff argued that if NRS 41.1305(1) is interpreted more broadly, then it is unconstitutional. Dave & Buster's replied and disputed Plaintiffs' opposition.

The Court concludes Plaintiffs could prove one set of facts that could support a claim for relief, so the motion is GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART.

As to the negligence cause of action, the court concludes that NRS 41.1305(1) does not bar a cause of action against Dave & Buster's to the extent that Dave & Buster's agents or employees may have assisted Mr. Aparicio to the vehicle he drove that was then involved in the collision that killed Damaso & Christa Puente. The motion to dismiss is denied on that point only. The motion is granted as to all other remaining causes of action including negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and

 implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring, and negligence per se.

Plaintiffs further argued NRS 41.1305(1) is ambiguous, so it is necessary to consider its legislative history. "Statutory interpretation concerns determining legislative intent, and the starting point is the statute's plain language. When the meaning of the language is clear, the analysis ends...." Considering legislative history becomes necessary only when the statute's language could support two or more reasonable interpretations. The Court finds NRS 41.1305(1)'s language is clear and unambiguous. Consequently, the Court did not consider NRS 41.1305(1)'s legislative history.

Plaintiffs alternatively argued NRS 41.1305(1) is unconstitutional because it results in a denial of their right to a jury trial on the issues of negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring, and negligence per se. The Court finds the statute is constitutional because the restrictions are rationally related to a legitimate state purpose.

DATED THIS ____ day of October, 2020. Dated this 14th day of December, 2020

District Court Judge Holthus

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Mary Kay Holthus

District Court Judge

Submitted by:

CHRISTENSEN LAW OFFICES, LLC

BY:__/s/Thomas Christensen_____

THOMAS CHRISTENSEN, ESQ.

Nevada Bar No. 2326 1000 S. Valley View Blvd.

Las Vegas, Nevada 89107

Attorney for Damaso Puente, Maria Puente,

Daniel Malone and Diane Malone

Approved as to form and content by: Wilson, Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP BY:___/s/Michael Lowry_ MICHAEL LOWRY, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 10666 6689 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89119 Attorney for Dave & Buster's



Stephanie Martinez <stephaniem@injuryhelpnow.com>

[courtnotices] RE: Puente: Proposed Order

1 message

Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com>

Wed, Oct 14, 2020 at 10:46 AM

To: Dawn Hooker <dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com>

Cc: "CourtNotices@InjuryHelpNow.com" <courtnotices@injuryhelpnow.com>

Thank you. I can accept that if you can insert the signature block and submit it to the court.

From: Dawn Hooker [mailto:dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com]

Sent: Friday, October 9, 2020 13:04

To: Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com>

Cc: CourtNotices@InjuryHelpNow.com Subject: Re: Puente: Proposed Order

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Hello Michael:

Please see the attached proposed order (in word format). I have attempted to combine your language with ours a little bit more comprehensively.

I have not added your signature line yet, but obviously if you are agreeable to this version, that would be an easy fix.

Please let me know if this proposed Order is acceptable or if you have proposed modifications that would make it acceptable. Thank you.

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On Thu, Oct 8, 2020 at 11:25 PM Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com > wrote:

Dawn, your response?

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hereto. Dated this 15th day of December, 2020. CHRISTENSEN LAW OFFICES THOMAS F. CHRISTENSEN, ESQ. Nevada Bar 2326 1000 S. Valley View Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89107 courtnotices@injuryhelpnow.com **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of CHRISTENSEN LAW OFFICES, LLC and that on this ^{15th}day of December, 2020, I served a copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER via the Court's e-service system to all registered users for this case number. An employee of CHRISTENSEN LAW OFFICES, LLC

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 When evaluating a motion to dismiss per NRCP 12(b)(5), the district court accepts all factual allegations in the complaint as true and draws all inferences in the plaintiffs' favor. Dismissal is appropriate "only if it appears beyond a doubt that [the plaintiff] could prove no set of facts, which, if true, would entitle [her] to relief." *Buzz Stew, LLC v. City of N. Las Vegas*, 124 Nev. 224, 228, 181 P.3d 670, 672 (2008).

Dave & Buster's argued that the facts alleged in the amended complaint are all subject to NRS 41.1305(1). If so, then Dave & Buster's argues Plaintiffs' causes of action against it are barred. Plaintiffs opposed, arguing NRS 41.1305(1) did not abrogate the common law causes of action against liquor providers pled in their complaint, including negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring, and negligence per se. The Plaintiff argued that NRS 41.1305(1) did not abrogate any common law causes of action against liquor providers, but only served to protect licensees from strict liability for reasonable service of alcohol, while making social hosts strictly liable for any amount of alcohol served to minors. Plaintiff argued that if NRS 41.1305(1) is interpreted more broadly, then it is unconstitutional. Dave & Buster's replied and disputed Plaintiffs' opposition.

The Court concludes Plaintiffs could prove one set of facts that could support a claim for relief, so the motion is GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART.

As to the negligence cause of action, the court concludes that NRS 41.1305(1) does not bar a cause of action against Dave & Buster's to the extent that Dave & Buster's agents or employees may have assisted Mr. Aparicio to the vehicle he drove that was then involved in the collision that killed Damaso & Christa Puente. The motion to dismiss is denied on that point only. The motion is granted as to all other remaining causes of action including negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and

 implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring, and negligence per se.

Plaintiffs further argued NRS 41.1305(1) is ambiguous, so it is necessary to consider its legislative history. "Statutory interpretation concerns determining legislative intent, and the starting point is the statute's plain language. When the meaning of the language is clear, the analysis ends...." Considering legislative history becomes necessary only when the statute's language could support two or more reasonable interpretations. The Court finds NRS 41.1305(1)'s language is clear and unambiguous. Consequently, the Court did not consider NRS 41.1305(1)'s legislative history.

Plaintiffs alternatively argued NRS 41.1305(1) is unconstitutional because it results in a denial of their right to a jury trial on the issues of negligence, gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, strict products liability, breach of express and implied warranties, acting in concert in an abnormally dangerous activity, negligent supervision and hiring, and negligence per se. The Court finds the statute is constitutional because the restrictions are rationally related to a legitimate state purpose.

DATED THIS ____ day of October, 2020. Dated this 14th day of December, 2020

District Court Judge Holthus

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Mary Kay Holthus

District Court Judge

Submitted by:

CHRISTENSEN LAW OFFICES, LLC

BY:__/s/Thomas Christensen_____

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Approved as to form and content by: Wilson, Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP BY:___/s/Michael Lowry_ MICHAEL LOWRY, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 10666 6689 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89119 Attorney for Dave & Buster's



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[courtnotices] RE: Puente: Proposed Order

1 message

Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com>

Wed, Oct 14, 2020 at 10:46 AM

To: Dawn Hooker <dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com>

Cc: "CourtNotices@InjuryHelpNow.com" <courtnotices@injuryhelpnow.com>

Thank you. I can accept that if you can insert the signature block and submit it to the court.

From: Dawn Hooker [mailto:dawnh@injuryhelpnow.com]

Sent: Friday, October 9, 2020 13:04

To: Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com>

Cc: CourtNotices@InjuryHelpNow.com Subject: Re: Puente: Proposed Order

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Hello Michael:

Please see the attached proposed order (in word format). I have attempted to combine your language with ours a little bit more comprehensively.

I have not added your signature line yet, but obviously if you are agreeable to this version, that would be an easy fix.

Please let me know if this proposed Order is acceptable or if you have proposed modifications that would make it acceptable. Thank you.

Dawn Allysa Hooker, Esq. Christensen Law Offices, LLC 1000 S Valley View Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89107 Office: (702) 870-1000 Direct Line: (702) 204-8490 Fax: (702) 870-6152 www.injuryhelpnow.com

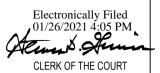
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On Thu, Oct 8, 2020 at 11:25 PM Lowry, Michael < Michael.Lowry@wilsonelser.com > wrote:

Dawn, your response?

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Plaintiffs' final argument is that summary judgment should be denied per Rule 56(d) to allow for further discovery. However, the discovery Plaintiffs describe does not pertain to the sole remaining theory of liability against Dave & Buster's. Even if Plaintiffs were given time to pursue this discovery, it would not generate a genuine issue of material fact relevant to who assisted Mr. Aparicio to the vehicle he drove that was then involved in the collision that killed Damaso & Christa Puente. Plaintiffs have not demonstrated why Rule 56(d) relief is necessary for that issue.

In conclusion, the admissible evidence indicates 1) Mr. Eubanks assisted Mr. Aparicio to his vehicle; and 2) Mr. Eubanks was not an agent or employee of Dave & Buster's. There is no genuine issue of material fact on these points, so summary judgment for Dave & Buster's is appropriate and granted.

This ruling disposes of all causes of action against Dave & Buster's. During the hearing on this motion for summary judgment, Plaintiffs and Dave & Buster's agreed there was no just reason to delay entry of final judgment as to Plaintiffs' causes of action against Dave & Buster's. The court agrees and designates this order as the final judgment, per Rule 54(b), as to Plaintiffs' causes of action against Dave & Buster's only. Plaintiffs' remaining causes of actions against other Defendants are not subject to Rule 54(b) certification at this time.

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Notice of Entry

Please be advised the court entered the attached order.

DATED this 26th day of January, 2021.



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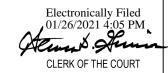
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	It is so ordered. Dated this 26th day of January, 2021 May Kay Hull DISTRICT JUDGE 399 A42 06A8 6CC7 Mary Kay Holthus District Court Judge

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Negligence - Auto COURT MINUTES July 01, 2020

A-20-813787-C Damaso Puente, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Henry Aparicio, Defendant(s)

July 01, 2020 10:00 AM Motion to Dismiss

HEARD BY: Holthus, Mary Kay

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03F

COURT CLERK: Dara Yorke

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RECORDER: Yvette G. Sison

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Christensen, Thomas F. Attorney

Lowry, Michael P. Attorney Rawlings, Michael S. Attorney Robins, Jeremy R. Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Thomas Christensen, Esq., Michael Rawlings, Esq., Michael Lowry, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference.

Statements by Mr. Lowry. Colloquy between parties. Arguments by Mr. Christensen. Following colloquy, COURT ORDERED, Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss was hereby DENIED; however, Court noted it would deny for now and allow amendment. Mr. Christensen to prepare Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content. Mr. Christensen indicated in Order he would grant Deft. leave to amend and deny without prejudice. COURT DIRECTED Mr. Christensen to clear up which Deft. did what. Mr. Christensen concurred.

PRINT DATE: 02/25/2021 Page 1 of 7 Minutes Date: July 01, 2020

DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

A-20-813787-C Damaso Puente, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Henry Aparicio, Defendant(s)

September 16, 2020 10:00 AM Motion to Dismiss

HEARD BY: Holthus, Mary Kay COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03H

COURT CLERK: Dara Yorke

RECORDER: Yvette G. Sison

REPORTER:

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PRESENT: Christensen, Thomas F. Attorney

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- Thomas Christensen, Esq., Michael Rawlings, Esq., Michael Lowry, Esq. and Jacqueline Franco, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference.

Upon Court's inquiry, Mr. Lowry indicated the instant Motion was a renewed Motion to Dismiss which was previously denied without prejudice; additionally, Mr. Lowry indicated they reassessed the Complaint and re-filed. Arguments by Mr. Christensen. Statements by Mr. Lowry. Court noted it did believe statute was clear and would leave the first cause of action that would appear to take it out the door. Additionally, Court noted there may had been liability that Deft. couldn't find his car which Dave & Buster's facilitated getting Deft. to his casr; however, it wasn't comfortable dismissing that cause of action at the instant time. Further Court indicated with respect to the remainder the statute stated Dave & Buster's just wasn't liable as to damages as to the service of alcohol. Statements by Mr. Lowry. COURT ORDERED, Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc.'s Renewed Motion to Dismiss was hereby GRANTED IN PART, DENIED IN PART. Mr. Lowry to prepare Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content.

PRINT DATE: 02/25/2021 Page 2 of 7 Minutes Date: July 01, 2020

DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

A-20-813787-C Damaso Puente, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Henry Aparicio, Defendant(s)

December 16, 2020 10:00 AM Mandatory Rule 16

Conference

HEARD BY: Holthus, Mary Kay

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03F

COURT CLERK: Dara Yorke

RECORDER: Yvette G. Sison

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Koning, Michael A. Attorney Robins, Jeremy R. Attorney

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- Dawn Hooker, Esq., Michael Koning, Esq. and Jeremy Robins, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference.

Court referred parties to Judge Wiese's Department; further, advised parties to contact Department 30 to set up a settlement conference if needed. COURT ORDERED, discovery cutoff is January 24, 2022; adding parties, amended pleadings, and initial expert disclosures DUE October 26, 2021; rebuttal expert disclosures DUE November 25, 2021; dispositive motions TO BE FILED BY February 23, 2022, trial ready date April 25, 2022.

6/15/22 9:00 AM CALENDAR CALL

6/27/22 1:00 PM JURY TRIAL

PRINT DATE: 02/25/2021 Page 3 of 7 Minutes Date: July 01, 2020

DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

A-20-813787-C Damaso Puente, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Henry Aparicio, Defendant(s)

January 06, 2021 10:00 AM Motion to Quash

HEARD BY: Holthus, Mary Kay

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03F

COURT CLERK: Dara Yorke

RECORDER: Yvette G. Sison

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PRESENT: Christensen, Thomas F. Attorney

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Mitchell, Shannon L. Attorney
Robins, Jeremy R. Attorney
Tomova, Virginia T. Attorney

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- Thomas Christensen, Esq., Dawn Hooker, Esq., Shannon Mitchell, Esq., Virgina Tomova, Esq. and Jeremy Robins, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference.

Counsel from Nevada Defense Group not present. Court noted it assumed counsel wasn't seeking any privileged documents or information, which Ms. Tomova concurred, noting they weren't seeking any information that hadn't been disclosed. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED to the following week to see if Nevada Defense Group would be present. Court advised parties it was inclined to grant the instant Motion; however, it needed clarification that no one was seeking privileged and confidential information. Colloquy between parties.

1/13/21 10:00 AM CONTINUED: NEVADA DEFENSE GROUP'S MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR BUSINESS RECORDS

CLERK'S NOTE: The above minute order has been distributed to: Damian Sheets, Esq.

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

A-20-813787-C Damaso Puente, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Henry Aparicio, Defendant(s)

January 13, 2021 10:00 AM All Pending Motions

HEARD BY: Holthus, Mary Kay

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03F

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PARTIES

PRESENT: Christensen, Thomas F. Attorney

Koning, Michael A. Attorney
Lowry, Michael P. Attorney
Robins, Jeremy R. Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Thomas Christiensen, Esq., Michael Koning, Esq., Michael Lowry, Esq. and Jeremy Robins, Esq. present via Bluejeans video conference. Kelsey Bernstein, Esq. present on behalf of the Nevada Defense Group.

DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT...NEVADA DEFENSE GROUP'S MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR BUSINESS RECORDS

As to NEVADA DEFENSE GROUP'S MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR BUSINESS RECORDS:

Upon Court's inquiry, Ms. Bernstein noted the discovery was received from the criminal case and is confidential due to that case being active; therefore, without a Court Order, she didn't believe they could give that up. Court noted it could sign a Court Order; therefore, DIRECTED Ms. Bernstein to submit a Court Order to that effect and to the extent reports were redacted. Mr. Lowry noted he would prepare an Order and that should take care of the Motion to Quash. COURT ORDERED, the instant Motion was hereby GRANTED IN PART. Mr. Lowry to prepare the Order and submit to

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opposing counsel for approval as to form and content.

As to DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT: Statements by Mr. Christensen. Colloquy between parties. Following colloquy, COURT ORDERED, Dave & Buster's of Nevada, Inc's Motion for Summary Judgment was hereby GRANTED; therefore, Dave & Buster's was out. Mr. Robins stipulated on the certification. No opposition by Mr. Koning. Mr. Lowry to prepare the Order and submit to opposing counsel for approval as to form and content.

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EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY ON APPEAL TO NEVADA SUPREME COURT

THOMAS CHRISTENSEN, ESQ. 1000 S. VALLEY VIEW BLVD. LAS VEGAS, NV 89107

DATE: February 25, 2021 CASE: A-20-813787-C

RE CASE: DAMASO S. PUENTE, individually and on behalf of the ESTATE OF DAMASO I, PUENTE; MARIA PUENTE, DANIEL MALONE, AND DIANE MALONE, individually and on behalf of the ESTATE OF CHRISTA PUENTE vs. HENRY BIDERMAN APARICIO; MORGAN HURLEY; DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC. dba DAVE & BUSTER'S; MAT-SUMMERLIN LLC dba CADA DEL MATADOR SUMMERLIN; MOCORE, LLC

NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED: February 24, 2021

YOUR APPEAL HAS BEEN SENT TO THE SUPREME COURT.

PLEASE NOTE: DOCUMENTS **NOT** TRANSMITTED HAVE BEEN MARKED:

- ☐ Case Appeal Statement
 - NRAP 3 (a)(1), Form 2
- ☐ Order
- Notice of Entry of Order re: Order filed July 14, 2020

NEVADA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE 3 (a) (3) states:

"The district court clerk must file appellant's notice of appeal despite perceived deficiencies in the notice, including the failure to pay the district court or Supreme Court filing fee. The district court clerk shall apprise appellant of the deficiencies in writing, and shall transmit the notice of appeal to the Supreme Court in accordance with subdivision (g) of this Rule with a notation to the clerk of the Supreme Court setting forth the deficiencies. Despite any deficiencies in the notice of appeal, the clerk of the Supreme Court shall docket the appeal in accordance with Rule 12."

Please refer to Rule 3 for an explanation of any possible deficiencies.

^{**}Per District Court Administrative Order 2012-01, in regards to civil litigants, "...all Orders to Appear in Forma Pauperis expire one year from the date of issuance." You must reapply for in Forma Pauperis status.

Certification of Copy

State of Nevada
County of Clark
SS

I, Steven D. Grierson, the Clerk of the Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, State of Nevada, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of the hereinafter stated original document(s):

NOTICE OF APPEAL; CASE APPEAL STATEMENT; DISTRICT COURT DOCKET ENTRIES; CIVIL COVER SHEET; ORDER ON DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC'S MOTION TO DISMISS; ORDER RE: DAVE & BUSTER'S RENEWED MOTION TO DISMISS; NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER; ORDER RE DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT; NOTICE OF ENTRY; DISTRICT COURT MINUTES; NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

DAMASO S. PUENTE, individually and on behalf of the ESTATE OF DAMASO I, PUENTE; MARIA PUENTE, DANIEL MALONE, AND DIANE MALONE, individually and on behalf of the ESTATE OF CHRISTA PUENTE,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

HENRY BIDERMAN APARICIO; MORGAN HURLEY; DAVE & BUSTER'S OF NEVADA, INC. dba DAVE & BUSTER'S; MAT-SUMMERLIN LLC dba CADA DEL MATADOR SUMMERLIN; MOCORE, LLC,

Defendant(s),

now on file and of record in this office.

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Dept No: XVIII

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 25 day of February 2021.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk