IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

MATTHEW MORONEY an Individual,

Appellant,

VS.

BRUCE ARTHUR YOUNG, individually; **MILLING POINT MINING** & CONSOLIDATED, INC.;

Respondents

CASE NO.: 82948

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BACKGROUND

Plaintiff Matthew Moroney ("Moroney") filed his Complaint on March 19, 2019, against Defendants Bruce Arthur Young, individually, and Point Mining & Milling, Consolidated, Inc; Does I through X, inclusive (the "Complaint"). The Complaint was never served, but the Amended Complaint was, with Defendant Bruce Arthur Young filing an answer, in proper person, on July 7, 2020. On July 17, exactly 120 days after the filing of the Complaint, Moroney timely filed an Ex-Parte Motion to Enlarge Time For Service of Defendants (the "Ex Parte Motion"). On August 21, 2019, this Court set the Ex-Parte Motion for a hearing on September 3, 2019.

At the hearing on the Ex Parte Motion on September 3, 2019, the Court found that Moroney did not use reasonable efforts to affect service of process by unreasonably delaying and failing to utilize the local Esmeralda County Sherriff to affect service. This Court denied Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion because of a lack of diligent effort to serve the Defendants and entered a minute order to this effect, which this Court found was sufficient to terminate this case. This Court further finds that a formal, written order was not necessary as to the Ex Parte Motion and that the Court was justified in not entering such an order because the minute order was an administrative, docket management order and there was, at the time of the hearing on the Ex Parte Motion, no other party before the Court.

As mentioned above, Defendant Bruce Arthur Young filed his answer, in proper person, to Moroney's amended complaint on July 7, 2020. Afterwards, on September 1, 2020, exactly 56 days after filing his amended complaint, he filed a motion to dismiss Moroney's amended complaint by and through his attorney of record, Michael M. DeLee, Esq. This Court conducted two hearings, on Defendant Bruce Arthur Young's motion to dismiss on October 6, 2020, and November 10, 2020.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

THE COURT HEREBY CONCLUDES that under NRCP 4(e)(2) the rules are jurisdictional, explicit and mandatory that an action must be dismissed unless there is an extension of the time to serve:

If service of the summons and complaint is not made upon a defendant before the 120-day service period — or any extension thereof — expires, the court must dismiss the action, without prejudice, as to that defendant upon motion or upon the court's own order to show cause.

NRCP (4)(e)(2) (emphasis added). Defendant Bruce Arthur Young brought his motion to dismiss on September 1, 2020. The Court, acting upon its own previously entered minute order and not relying upon the motion, confirms the dismissal of the action;

THE COURT FURTHER CONCLUDES that Nevada law allowed the minute order as an administrative, docket management tool, denying Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion without the need for a formal, written order.

THE COURT FINDS that Moroney did not obtain an extension of time to effectuate service of the original complaint filed on March 19, 2019;

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that its minute order denying Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion was procedurally adequate to bar Moroney from filing and serving his amended complaint;

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that it is required to dismiss the action; THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that Defendant Bruce Arthur Young was not procedurally barred from filing his motion to dismiss Moroney's amended complaint;

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED the Plaintiff's claims set forth in his amended complaint are hereby **DISMISSED**.

DATED this ______ day of January, 2021.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Honorable Judge Kimberly Wanker SUBMITTED BY Approved as to form and content: DELEE LAW OFFICES, LLC **BIG HORN LAW** Michael M. DeLee, Esq. Nevada State Bar No. 011948 Matthew B. Beckstead, Esq. Nevada State Bar No. 14168 P.O. Box 96, 18 South Powerline Road 2225 E. Flamingo Rd. Bld. 2, Ste. 300 Amargosa Valley, Nevada 89020 Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 Attorney for Bruce Arthur Young Attorney for Matthew Moroney