IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JDD, LLC; TCS PARTNERS, LLC; JOHN SAUNDERS; and TREVOR SCHMIDT,

Petitioners,

VS.

THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY C. WILLIAMS, EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK,

Respondent,

-andITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs
Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp.; ITEM 9
PROPERTIES, LLC; STRIVE
MANAGEMENT, LLC f/k/a Strive Life;
VIRIDIS GROUP I9 CAPITAL, LLC;
VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC;
SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC; ANDREW
BOWDEN; DOUGLAS BOWDEN; BRYCE
SKALLA; and CHASE HERSCHMAN,

Real Parties in Interest.

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MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. A-20-811232-B

Dept. No. 16

HEARING REQUESTED

DEFENDANT SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES

Snowell Holdings, LLC ("Snowell") submits the following application for attorney's fees related to its motion to dismiss, which the Court granted on February 24, 2021. This application is supported by the Declaration of Justin M. Brandt (Ex. A) and the itemized statement of fees (Ex. A-1). As discussed below, Snowell requests a total award of \$19,145.00 in attorney's fees pursuant to N.R.S. § 18.010(2)(b).

T. Introduction

On December 1, 2020, Snowell filed its motion to dismiss on the grounds that Nevada lacked personal jurisdiction over Snowell. By way of background, Snowell is an Ohio entity that {04719373/1}[Page 1]

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has no contacts in Nevada and owns no interest in any Nevada companies or any of the Defendant entities.

On November 17, 2020, Snowell's counsel informed Plaintiffs that it had no contacts with Nevada and that it would seek dismissal and reimbursement of its attorney's fees if it was forced to address this deficiency through the Court.

Plaintiffs initially agreed to dismiss Snowell but reneged on their agreement just days later. This forced Snowell to brief and argue its motion at considerable expense. Notably, Plaintiffs provided no law or facts in opposition to Snowell's motion, and instead argued that they should be excused from meeting their burden to show personal jurisdiction.

Indeed, the claims against Snowell were without reasonable grounds and Plaintiff was fully aware of Snowell's lack of contacts with Nevada. The attorney's fees caused by Plaintiffs' conduct include those incurred in connection with Snowell's motion to dismiss, as well as fees incurred in pursuing reimbursement of fees.

II. Legal argument

A. Snowell is entitled to an award of attorney's fees because Plaintiffs' claims were brought and maintained without reasonable ground.

This Court may award attorney's fees for a motion to dismiss if Plaintiffs' claims were brought or maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party; and courts must liberally construe this standard in favor of awarding fees. N.R.S. 18.010(2)(b); *see also Davis v. Beling*, 128 Nev. 301, 321 (Nev. 2012) (attorney's fees may be awarded if permitted by statute, rule, or contract), N.R.S. 18.010(3) (providing that the court may award attorney fees without written motion). The inquiry for whether Plaintiffs' claims are groundless is based upon the actual facts, not hypothetical facts favoring the plaintiff's allegations. *Bergmann v. Boyce*, 856 P.2d 560, 563 (Nev. 1993) (superseded by statute on other grounds).

An award of attorney's fees is especially warranted if Plaintiffs disregarded facts when naming Snowell as a defendant. *See Allianz Ins. Co. v. Gagnon*, 860 P.2d 720, 724-25 (Nev.

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1993) (holding that a claim is groundless if it is "disrespectful" of truth or accuracy).

On November 17, 2020, Plaintiffs and their counsel were informed that Snowell had no contacts with Nevada and was not involved in any of the alleged events. On November 20, 2020, Plaintiffs agreed to dismiss Snowell. But to Snowell's surprise, Plaintiffs reneged on this agreement a few days later even though they still could not proffer any evidence to support personal jurisdiction. Indeed, Plaintiffs' Opposition confirms as much. Snowell's inclusion in this lawsuit was groundless and served only to harass.

B. The claimed attorney's fees are reasonable.

In Nevada, an attorney's fees award must be reasonable under the *Brunzell* factors: (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; (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.

Brunzell v. Golden Gate Nat'l Bank, 85 Nev. 345, 349 (Nev. 1969).

1. Qualities of the advocates.

Justin M. Brandt is lead counsel for Snowell and a founding partner of the law firm of Bianchi & Brandt. He is licensed to practice in Arizona, California, and New Mexico, and has over six years of business litigation experience. He has an outstanding reputation in the community, having been featured as a Top 40 Under 40 by the Phoenix Business Journal and MJ Venture magazine. He was also recognized in Southwest Super Lawyers from 2018 to 2021. He has been actively involved in conferring with opposing counsel regarding Snowell, briefing related to Snowell's motion to dismiss, and preparation for the hearings related to the motion. He has also been the primary point of contact for the client. Mr. Brandt's hourly rate was reasonable in light of his ability, training, education, experience, professional standing, and skills.

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Mukunda Shanbhag is an associate at Bianchi & Brandt. He is licensed to practice in Arizona and Colorado, has over two years of litigation experience, including drafting motions, participating in hearings and navigating discovery, and was a law clerk for much of law school. Mr. Shanbhag graduated with a M.A. in Modern History and International Relations from the University of Saint Andrews in Scotland and received his J.D. (*cum laude*) from Arizona State University's Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law. Under Mr. Brandt's supervision, Mr. Shanbhag's role included researching and drafting portions of Snowell's Motion to Dismiss and Reply, communicating and conferring with opposing counsel, and attending and arguing Snowell's motion to dismiss before the Court. Mr. Shanbhag's hourly rate was reasonable in light of his ability, training, education, experience, professional standing, and skills.

Candace C. Herling is a partner at Messner Reeves, LLP. She is licensed to practice in Nevada and has over six years of litigation experience. Ms. Herling was local counsel for Snowell in Nevada and participated in drafting the briefing for Snowell's Motion to Dismiss and preparing for and attending hearings regarding the same. Ms. Herling received a B.A. in Communications, an M.A.T. from La Sierra University and received her J.D. (*cum laude*) from Thomas Jefferson School of Law. Ms. Herling's hourly rate was reasonable in light of her ability, training, education, experience, professional standing, and skills.

2. The character of the work.

Snowell's motion involved analysis of law and facts regarding general and specific personal jurisdiction. Although the facts strongly supported Snowell's motion, counsel spent significant time and effort conferring with Plaintiffs' counsel and requesting Snowell's dismissal.

Moreover, Plaintiffs' Opposition was completely devoid of legal support, requiring a measured and nuanced Reply from Snowell. Snowell's counsel also prepared for and attended a hearing on Plaintiffs' requested extension of time for their opposition to Snowell's motion, as well as two separate hearings regarding the merits of the motion.

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3. The work actually performed.

Attached as Exhibit A is the Declaration of Justin M. Brandt, which provides detailed descriptions of tasks performed by Bianchi & Brandt and Messner Reeves LLP, regarding Snowell's motion, including the amount of time spent on each task. (Ex. A, Decl. of Justin M. Brandt). Snowell requests the following attorney's fees: incurred in connection with the motion to dismiss, in the amount of \$15,620.00; and incurred in connection with this application for attorney's fees, in the amount of \$3,525.00.

4. The result obtained.

On February 24, 2021, this Court granted Snowell's motion and dismissed it from the lawsuit for lack of personal jurisdiction. *See Bergmann*, 856 P.2d at 563 (stating a court may award attorney's fees under N.R.S. 18.010(2)(b) for a successful motion to dismiss). *See* Order on file herein.

III. Conclusion

The amount sought by Snowell reflects the services related to fees incurred in pursuing dismissal from a lawsuit that has nothing to do with Snowell. As early as November 17, 2020, Snowell informed Plaintiffs' counsel that the company had no contacts with Nevada and was not involved in any of the alleged events. While Plaintiffs initially agreed to dismiss Snowell, they reneged on their agreement and instead forced Snowell to brief and argue its motion to dismiss at considerable expense.

Accordingly, Snowell requests this Court award it the sum of \$19,145.00 in attorney's fees against Defendants, jointly and severally.

DATED: March 24, 2021.

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7	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
8	On this 24 th day of March, 2021, pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2 and Rule 9 of the
9	NEFCR, I caused the foregoing DEFENDANT SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC'S MOTION FOR
10	ATTORNEYS' FEES to be transmitted to the person(s) identified in the E-Service List for this
11	captioned case in Odyssey E-File & Serve of the Eighth Judicial District Court, County of Clark, State
12	of Nevada. A service transmission report reported service as complete and a copy of the service
13	transmission report will be maintained with the document(s) in this office.
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EXHIBIT A

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14	company; JOHN SAUNDERS, an individual; and TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual,	Dept. No. 26
15	Plaintiffs,	DECLARATION OF
16	v.	JUSTIN M. BRANDT IN SUPPORT OF SNOWELL HOLDING, LLC'S
17 18	MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation, et al.,	APPLICATION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES RE: MOTION TO DISMISS
19	Defendants.	
20	Justin M. Brandt declares as follows:	•
21	1. I am a shareholder at the law firm of E	Bianchi & Brandt. Bianchi & Brandt
22	represents Snowell Holdings, LLC ("Snowell") in the	his matter. I have personal knowledge of
23	the facts stated herein and submit this Declaration in	n support of Snowell's Motion for
24	Attorney's Fees.	
25	2. Attached to this Declaration as Exhibi	t A-1 is an itemized compilation of all
26	time expended by Bianchi & Brandt and Messner R	eeves, LLP, for which Snowell seeks
27	recovery from Plaintiffs pursuant to N.R.S. 18.010(2	2)(b). This detailed description of time
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provides the following information: the identity of the timekeeper who worked on the tasks related to the Motion to Dismiss and the Motion for Attorney's Fees; the amount of time expended (measured in tenths of an hour); a brief description of the work performed on a daily basis; and the date the work was performed. The information contained in Exhibit A-1 was compiled from actual billings that were prepared and maintained by Bianchi & Brandt and Messner Reeves in the regular course of business.

- 3. Under the fee agreements between Snowell and Bianchi & Brandt and Snowell and Messner Reeves, Snowell is responsible for all fees and costs as they are incurred. These fee agreements specify that fees will be billed to Snowell on an hourly-rate basis in accordance with the stated hourly rate for the particular attorney performing the work.
- 4. Fees incurred for this matter were billed at the following rates for each attorney: Justin M. Brandt at \$375.00 per hour, Mukunda Shanbhag at \$325.00 per hour, and Candace C. Herling of Messner Reeves at \$350.00 per hour. The billing rates charged to Snowell by Bianchi & Brandt and Messner Reeves in this matter were reasonable.
- 5. I have reviewed the time and evaluated the efforts necessary to represent Snowell's interests in obtaining dismissal for lack of personal jurisdiction and believe these amounts are reasonable and appropriate. The other attorneys who worked on this matter have reviewed and approved the time and charges set forth in Exhibit A-1 and concluded they were reasonable and necessary under the circumstances. The attorneys involved in this case have outstanding reputations in the community and are actively involved in professional organizations and activities.
- 6. I am a shareholder at Bianchi & Brandt. I received a B.A. in Business Economics and Accounting from the University of California, Santa Barbara. I am graduate of the University of San Diego School of Law. I am duly licensed to practice law in Arizona, California, and New Mexico. I have been practicing business litigation for over six years. I have an outstanding reputation representing clients in these industries, having been featured as

a Top 40 Under 40 by the Phoenix Business Journal and MJ Venture magazine. I am also recognized in Southwest Super Lawyers from 2018 to 2021. I have been actively involved in preparing the Motion to Dismiss and related filings. I have also served as the primary point of contact with the client. My standard billing rate for 2021 is \$500.00 per hour, but for this matter my billing rate was discounted to \$375.00 per hour.

- 7. Mukunda Shanbhag is an associate at Bianchi & Brandt. He is licensed to practice in Arizona and Colorado, has over two years of litigation experience, including drafting motions, participating in hearings and navigating discovery, and was a law clerk for much of law school. Mr. Shanbhag graduated with a M.A. in Modern History and International Relations from the University of Saint Andrews in Scotland and received his J.D. (*cum laude*) from Arizona State University's Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law. Under my supervision, Mr. Shanbhag's role included researching and drafting portions of Snowell's Motion to Dismiss and Reply, communicating and conferring with opposing counsel, and attending and arguing Snowell's Motion to Dismiss before the Court. Mr. Shanbhag's hourly rate was reasonable in light of his ability, training, education, experience, professional standing, and skills.
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- 9. The total attorney's fees requested in this Motion are \$19,145.00. Of those requested fees: \$15,620.00 is related to the Motion to Dismiss; and \$3,525.00 is related to fees incurred in pursuing recovery of fees through this Application for Attorney's Fees.

10. The fees sought cover services including: (a) research and preparation of the
Motion to Dismiss and related filings; (b) various communications with Snowell regarding the
status of the Motion to Dismiss and related issues; (c) communication with Plaintiffs and their
counsel regarding the Motion to Dismiss, including meet and confer efforts for the same; (d)
reviewing Plaintiffs' Opposition to the Motion to Dismiss; (e) preparing for and attending
hearings on and related to the Motion to Dismiss; (f) research and preparation of the Motion
for Attorney's Fees; and (g) miscellaneous services identified in Exhibit A-1.

11. I believe the services performed and the fees charged by Bianchi & Brandt and Messner Reeves, as reflected in Exhibit A-1, were (and are) necessary and reasonable in view of the nature of this litigation. The fees reflected in Exhibit A-1 are only those directly and reasonably: (a) caused by Plaintiffs' refusal to dismiss Snowell despite having no evidence supporting personal jurisdiction over Snowell in Nevada; and (b) incurred in connection with this Application for Attorney's Fees.

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

DATED: March 17, 2021.

BIANCHI & BRANDT

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EXHIBIT A-1

Exhibit A-1

Category of Requested Attorney's Fees	Hours	Amount
Motion to Dismiss Snowell Holdings	45.5	\$15,620.00
Application for Attorney's Fees	10.4	\$3,525.00
Total	55.9	\$19,145.00

TimekeepersJMB Justin M. Brandt MS Mukunda Shanbhag CCH Candace C. Herling

Bianchi & Brandt Attorney Fees

Date	Initials	Description	Hours	Rate	Amount
11/11/2020	JMB	Continue reviewing complaint for purposes of determining personal jurisdiction over Snowell Holdings and viability of motion to dismiss (.7).	.7	\$375.00	\$262.50
11/13/2020	MS	Research Nevada jurisprudence concerning jurisdiction over out of state defendants (1.6); begin drafting Snowell's Motion to Dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction (.2).	1.8	\$325.00	\$585.00
11/16/2020	JMB	Ongoing correspondence with H. Smith regarding dismissal of Snowell for lack of personal jurisdiction (.3).	.3	\$375.00	\$112.50
11/16/2020	MS	Draft Motion to Dismiss Snowell for lack of personal jurisdiction (2.7); outline Declaration of L. Lemons for purposes of Motion to Dismiss (.3).	3.0	\$325.00	\$975.00
11/17/2020	MS	Research Nevada jurisprudence regarding general and specific jurisdiction (1.0); continue drafting Motion to Dismiss (2.1); phone call with opposing counsel regarding the dismissal of claims against Snowell for lack of jurisdiction (.4).	3.5	\$325.00	\$1,137.50
11/18/2020	MS	Revise the Declaration of L. Lemons (.3); ongoing correspondence with L. Lemons regarding his Declaration (.5).	.8	\$325.00	\$260.00
11/19/2020	MS	Email opposing counsel for an update regarding Snowell's dismissal (.3).	.3	\$325.00	\$97.50
11/23/2020	MS	Ongoing communications with opposing counsel regarding dismissal of Snowell (.5).	.5	\$325.00	\$162.50
11/26/2020	MS	Continue drafting Motion to Dismiss and request for attorney's fees (2.0).	2.0	\$325.00	\$650.00
11/30/2020	JMB	Revise and supplement Motion to Dismiss (1.5).	1.5	\$375.00	\$562.50
12/1/2020	JMB	Ongoing correspondence with Plaintiffs' counsel regarding dismissal of Snowell and acceptance of service for D. Burton (.4).	.4	\$375.00	\$150.00
12/3/2020	JMB	Ongoing correspondence with Plaintiffs' counsel regarding request for extension on response time to motion to dismiss (.3).	.3	\$375.00	\$112.50
12/8/2020	MS	Analyze Plaintiffs' Motion for Extension of Time to respond to the Motion to Dismiss (.1).	.1	\$325.00	\$32.50
12/9/2020	JMB	Attend hearing on motion to withdraw and motion to extend response deadlines for	1.1	\$375	\$412.50

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3/16/2021	JMB				\$1,087.50	
3/11/2021	MS	Snowel	e C. Herling's billing related to I's Motion to Dismiss (.8); revise and ment the Motion for Attorney's Fees	2.8	\$325.00	\$910.00
3/10/2021	MS	to Disn Attorne	e billing related to Snowell's Motion hiss (.8); draft the Motion for cy's Fees (3.9).	4.7	\$325.00	\$1,527.50
3/1/2021	MS	Draft a	n email to client updating them on urt's ruling on Defendants' Motions	.4	\$325.00	\$130.00
2/24/2021	MS	Motion	to Dismiss (1.1); attend hearing and nowell's Motion to Dismiss (1.5).	2.6	\$325.00	\$845.00
1/20/2021	MS	the upc	filings by the parties to prepare for oming hearing (.4); attend hearing well's Motion to Dismiss (1.5); email that the hearing had been continued	2.0	\$325.00	\$650.00
1/19/2021	JMB	dismiss	for hearing on Snowell's motion to (.8); revise Snowell's Reply in of its Motion to Dismiss (.5).	1.3	\$450.00	\$585.00
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11/25/2020	ССН	Exchange emails with Justin Brandt, Esq. and Mukunda Shanbhag, Esq. re: potential Motion to Dismiss and request for attorneys' fees (.2).	.2	\$350.00	\$70.00
12/1/2020	ССН	Exchange emails with Justin Brandt, Esq. and Mukunda Shanbhag, Esq. re: filing Snowell Holdings, LLC's Motion to Dismiss and accepting service for Donald Burton and Larry Lemons (.3).	.3	\$350.00	\$105.00
12/1/2020	ССН	Update and finalize Snowell Holdings, LLC's Motion to Dismiss (1.0).	1.0	\$350.00	\$350.00
12/2/2020	ССН	Review and evaluate Clerk's Notice of Hearing to determine necessary follow-up (.2).	.2	\$350.00	\$70.00
12/8/2020	ССН	Telephone conference with Justin Brandt, Esq. re: strategy related to mandatory hearing on Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion to Extend Time to Oppose our Motion to Dismiss and Plaintiff's Motion to Withdraw as Counsel (.4).	.4	\$350.00	\$140.00
12/8/2020	ССН	Prepare for mandatory hearing on Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion to Extend Deadlines and Withdraw as Counsel; includes review of all pleadings and outline for oral argument (2.4).	2.4	\$350.00	\$840.00
12/8/2020	ССН	Telephone conference with Justin Brandt, Esq. re: strategy related to Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion to Extend Deadlines (.4).	.4	\$350.00	\$140.00
12/8/2020	ССН	Review and evaluate Notice of Entry of Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion to Extend Time to File an Opposition to Defendant Snowell Holdings, LLC's Motion to Dismiss and for An Order Shortening Time (.2).	.2	\$350.00	\$70.00
12/9/2020	ССН	Attend mandatory hearing Plaintiffs' Ex Parte Motion to Extend Deadlines and Motion to Withdraw as Counsel (2.3).	2.3	\$350.00	\$805.00
12/10/2020	ССН	Analyze draft Order to determine necessary amendments (.3).	.3	\$350.00	\$105.00
12/11/2020	ССН	Review and evaluate Order Granting Plaintiffs Motion to Extend Time and Withdraw from Case (.2).	.2	\$350.00	\$70.00

12/30/2020	ССН	Defend	e Notice of Non-Opposition to lant Snowell Holdings, LLC's to Dismiss (.6).	.6	\$350.00	\$210.00
1/6/2021	ССН	Marimo	one conference with Counsel for ed re: outstanding Motions and nontions (.3).	.3	\$350.00	\$105.00
1/11/2021	ССН		e draft Order granting Defendant l Holdings, LLC's Motion to s (.3).	.3	\$350.00	\$105.00
1/19/2021	ССН	prepara	pleadings and prepare outline in ation for oral argument and hearings ding Motion to Dismiss (.9).	.9	\$350.00	\$315.00
1/19/2021	CCH	to Disn	e and assess Opposition to Motion niss to ascertain legal argument and accuracy of authority preparation for Reply (.8).	.8	\$350.00	\$280.00
1/20/2021	ССН	Update	and finalize Reply in Support of l Holdings, LLC's Motion to	1.0	\$350.00	\$350.00
1/20/2021	ССН	Snowel	mandatory hearing on Defendants l Holdings, LLC and Marimed's is to Dismiss (3.5).	3.5	\$350.00	\$1,225.00
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THE COURT FINDS, that a party may move for dismissal of claims for lack of personal jurisdiction under Nev.R.Civ.P. 12(b)(2). Personal jurisdiction requires either "substantial" or "continuous and systemic" contacts with the forum state (general personal jurisdiction) or contacts related to the allegations in the lawsuit (specific personal jurisdiction). Trump v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Ct., In and For the Cnty. of Clark, 857 P.2d 740, 747 (Nev. 1993). When personal jurisdiction is challenged, Plaintiffs bear the burden of introducing evidence sufficient to make a prima facie showing of personal jurisdiction. Id. at 743.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS, that no general personal jurisdiction exists over Snowell. The Amended Complaint failed to plead facts sufficient to show that Snowell has sufficient contacts in Nevada to support specific personal jurisdiction.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS, that Plaintiffs failed to meet their evidentiary burden to make *a prima facie* showing of personal jurisdiction to overcome Snowell Holding, LLC's challenge to specific personal jurisdiction and the facts presented show that Snowell Holding, LLC is an Ohio entity with no contacts in Nevada.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, Snowell Holding LLC's Motion to Dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction is **GRANTED**.

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1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Plaintif	ffs'
2	claims in the First Amended Complaint as to Snowell Holding, LLC's are DISMISSI	ED
3	WITHOUT PREJUDICE, in their entirety.	
4	IT IS SO ORDERED.	
5	Dated this day of, 2021.	
6	Dated this 30th day of March, 2021	
7	Jinot (c. i) and	
8	HONORABLE TIMOTHY WILLIAMS	
9	C0A F6F 22CD E35B Timothy C. Williams District Court Judge	
10	Respectfully Submitted By:	ZJ
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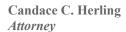
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JDD, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; TCS PARTNERS, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; JOHN SAUNDERS, an individual; and TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual,

Plaintiff.

VS.

MARIMED INC. f/k/a WORLDS ONLINE, INC. a Delaware Corporation; ITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a AIRWARE LABS CORP. AND CROWN DYNAMICS CORP., Delaware Corporation; **ITEM** PROPERTIES LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; THE HARVEST FOUNDATION LLC f/k/a, a Nevada Limited Liability Company a/k/a THE **HARVEST** FOUNDATION, LLC; STRIVE MANAGEMENT LLC d/b/a STRIVE LIFE, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA, LLC d/b/a STRIVE LIFE, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; STRIVE WELLNESS NEVADA 2 LLC d/b/a STRIVE LIFE, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; VIRIDIS GROUP 19 Case No. A-20-811232-B

Dept. No. 16

NOTICE OF ENTRY
OF ORDER GRANTING
DEFENDANT SNOWELL
HOLDINGS, LLC'S MOTION TO
DISMISS

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1	CAPITAL, LLC, an Arizona Limited Liability
2	Company; VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, an Arizona Limited Liability Company; SNOWELL
3	HOLDINGS, LLC, an Ohio Limited Liability Company; ROBERT FIREMAN, an individual; JON LEVINE, an
4	individual; ANDREW BOWDEN, an individual; DOUGLAS BOWDEN, an individual; BRYCE
5	SKALLA, an individual; JEFFREY RASSAS, an
6	individual; DONALD BURTON, an individual; LARRY LEMONS, an individual; JEFFREY YOKIEL,
7	an individual; JEROME YOKIEL, an individual; SARA GULLICKSON, an individual; CHASE
8	HERSCHMAN, an individual; DOE INDIVIDUALS I
9	through X, and ROE BUSINESS ENTITIES XI through XX, inclusive,
10	Defendants.
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12	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an Order Granting Defendant Snowell Holdings, LLC'
13	Motion to Dismiss was entered on the 30 th day of March, 2021, regarding the above-entitled matter
14	A filed stamped copy is attached hereto.
15	DATED this 30 th day of March, 2021.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 5th day of March, 2021, pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2 and Rule 9 of the
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16	v.	SNOWELL HOLDING, LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS	
17	MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a		
18	Delaware corporation, et al.,		
19	Defendants.		
20	THIS MATTER concerning Defendant, SNOWELL HOLDING, LLC'S Motion to		
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22	Dismiss First Amended Complaint having come on for hearing before the Honorable Timothy		
23	C. Williams, on the 24th day of February, 2021, with attorneys Mukunda Shanbhag, Esq.,		
24	Justin M. Brandt, Esq. and Candace C. Herling, Esq. appearing on behalf of Defendant		
25	SNOWELL HOLDING, LLC, and attorney Lee I. Iglody, Esq., appearing on behalf of		
26	Plaintiffs, JDD, LLC, TCS Partners, LLC, JOHN SAUNDERS, and TREVOR SCHMIDT,		
27	and the Court having considered the pleadings and moving papers on file therein as well as the		
-,	arguments of counsel:		
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THE COURT FINDS, that a party may move for dismissal of claims for lack of personal jurisdiction under Nev.R.Civ.P. 12(b)(2). Personal jurisdiction requires either "substantial" or "continuous and systemic" contacts with the forum state (general personal jurisdiction) or contacts related to the allegations in the lawsuit (specific personal jurisdiction). Trump v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Ct., In and For the Cnty. of Clark, 857 P.2d 740, 747 (Nev. 1993). When personal jurisdiction is challenged, Plaintiffs bear the burden of introducing evidence sufficient to make a prima facie showing of personal jurisdiction. Id. at 743.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS, that no general personal jurisdiction exists over Snowell. The Amended Complaint failed to plead facts sufficient to show that Snowell has sufficient contacts in Nevada to support specific personal jurisdiction.

THE COURT FURTHER FINDS, that Plaintiffs failed to meet their evidentiary burden to make *a prima facie* showing of personal jurisdiction to overcome Snowell Holding, LLC's challenge to specific personal jurisdiction and the facts presented show that Snowell Holding, LLC is an Ohio entity with no contacts in Nevada.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, Snowell Holding LLC's Motion to Dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction is **GRANTED**.

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1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Plaintiffs
2	claims in the First Amended Complaint as to Snowell Holding, LLC's are DISMISSED
3	WITHOUT PREJUDICE, in their entirety.
4	IT IS SO ORDERED.
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6	Dated this day of, 2021. Dated this 30th day of March, 2021
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8	HONORABLE TIMOTHY WILLIAMS
9	C0A F6F 22CD E35B Timothy C. Williams District Court Judge
10 11	Respectfully Submitted By:
12	DATED this 24th day of March, 2021.
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CASE NO.: A-20-811232-C

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PLAINTIFFS' OPPOSITION TO

HOLDINGS' MOTION FOR FEES

DEFENDANTS SNOWELL

Hearing date: May 12, 2021

Hearing time: 9:00 a.m.

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HERSCHMAN, an individual; DOE INDIVIDUALS I through X, and ROE BUSINESS ENTITIES XI

26 through XX, inclusive,

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Defendants.

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Plaintiffs, JDD, LLC; TCS Partners, LLC; JOHN SAUNDERS; and TREVOR SCHMIDT, by and through undersigned counsel, hereby opposes the Motion for Fees filed by Defendant Snowell Holdings, LLC ("Snowell").

MEMORANDUM

I. INTRODUCTION

Defendant Snowell inappropriately seeks fees for being hailed into court as a result of the actions of its sole member and manager, Larry Lemons. Snowell claims that since the Court accepted its representations as true, and Plaintiffs' as false, after no discovery of any kind, it is appropriate to issue an award of attorneys fees. This is incorrect.

This Court granted Snowell's motion to dismiss *without prejudice*. At some point Plaintiffs will finally be able to commence discovery and actually piece together what happened to the approximately \$750,000.00 they entrusted to Larry Lemons (the sole member and manager of Snowell Holdings) and Donald Burton.

Further, Plaintiffs were not permitted to conduct limited discovery on the jurisdiction issue with Snowell; therefore, it is inappropriate for the Court to award fees for allegedly "groundless" claims against Snowell, since no determination has been made regarding the complicity of Snowell Holdings and Larry Lemons.

Plaintiffs respectfully request the Court deny the motion for fees, or at least stay a decision until after Plaintiffs finally have their chance to conduct discovery.

II. <u>FACTUAL BACKGROUND</u>

The TCS Agreement

In or about the beginning of 2015, Plaintiff Trevor Schmidt learned of Harvest—a Clark County, Nevada, limited liability company that holds a special use permit and two licenses for recreational and medical cannabis cultivation—and met two of its owners and officers, Donald

Burton and Larry Lemons. Compl. ¶¶ 8, 15-16, 32. Schmidt then toured the Harvest facility and expressed interest in investing in its operations and becoming part of the company. *Id.* ¶ 33.

On or about January 22, 2015, after negotiations with Burton and Lemon, Schmidt, as the managing member of Plaintiff TCS Partners, LLC ("TCS"), entered into a Membership Interest Sales Agreement ("TCS Agreement") with Burton and Lemons, who were acting as officers of Harvest. *Id.* ¶ 34. A true and accurate copy of the TCS Agreement is attached to Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint as Exhibit 1. *Id.* ¶ 36 & Ex. 1.

Under Section 1 of the TCS Agreement, Burton and Lemons agreed to transfer 9.9% of the total membership interests in Harvest to Schmidt in exchange for Schmidt's payment of \$371,250.00. *Id.* ¶ 35. Section 1 of the TCS Agreement stated that, upon the transfer of the 9.9% interest to TCS, the other members of Harvest would retain the following percentages of the total ownership interests: Burton would own 25.05%; Lemons would own 25.05%; Jeffrey Yokiel would own 30%; and Jerome Yokiel would own 10%. *Id.* ¶ 36 & Ex. 1 at 1.

Additionally, under Section 4 of the TCS Agreement, Burton and Lemons, as officers of Harvest, agreed that there would be no additional transfer of any equity or membership interest in Harvest for a period of twelve months, to prevent TCS's 9.9% membership from being diluted. *Id.* ¶ 37. Further, under Sections 5 and 6 of the TCS Agreement, TCS would be entitled to a pro rata share of any distributions of profits and would have the right to vote as a member of Harvest pursuant to Harvest's operating agreement. *Id.* ¶ 38 & Ex. 1 at 2.

Also, Burton and Lemons reaffirmed that they would continue as Harvest's CEO and COO, respectively, and as managing members. *Id.* Finally, under Section 8 of the TCS Agreement, Harvest's operating agreement and all other governing documents were to be revised to reflect TCS's 9.9% membership interest, with a copy of the TCS Agreement to be attached thereto. *Id.* ¶ 39 & Ex. 1 at 2.

On or about January 22, 2015, TCS performed all of its obligations under the TCS Agreement by wiring the full \$371,250.00 to Harvest. *Id.* ¶ 40.

The JDD Agreement

In or about 2016, Plaintiff John Saunders learned of Harvest and expressed interest in becoming part of the company to Burton, Lemons, and Schmidt. *Id.* ¶ 41. In or about 2016, as managing member of Plaintiff JDD, LLC, Saunders entered into an agreement with Burton and Lemon, acting in their respective capacities as CEO and COO of Harvest and as members of Harvest, to purchase 9.9% of the Harvest membership interests (the "JDD Agreement"). *Id.* ¶ 42. Although this deal was not memorialized in a fully integrated writing like the TCS Agreement, Saunders engaged in a series of negotiations with Burton and Lemons—via text, emails, and other documents—to purchase his 9.9% interest, and all members of Harvest approved or otherwise ratified the JDD Agreement. *Id.* ¶¶ 43-45.

Under the JDD Agreement, JDD agreed to pay \$370,000.00 to Harvest for 9.9% of the total membership interests in Harvest, and, like TCS, JDD was expressly granted the rights to vote and receive distributions. *Id.* ¶ 46. Moreover, under the JDD Agreement, Saunders was appointed as Harvest's Chief Financial Officer, was to be paid an annual salary of \$70,000.00, and was to be given an active role in Harvest's operations. *Id.* ¶ 47.

As with the TCS Agreement, the JDD Agreement required Harvest's other members, except TCS, to transfer portions of their own respective membership interests to JDD. *Id.* ¶ 48. Thus, the new distribution of membership interests was to be:

- Burton would own 24.1%;
- Lemons (either individually or through Snowell Holdings, LLC) would own 24.1%;
- Jeffrey Yokiel would own 22%;
- Jerome Yokiel would own 10%;

- TCS would own 9.9%; and
- JDD would own 9.9%.

Id. ¶ 49.

Moreover, as part of the JDD Agreement, TCS and JDD's interests were to remain undiluted by any future sale or transfer of interests by other members. Id. ¶ 50. In fact, TCS and JDD retained a right of first refusal to purchase any of the other Harvest members' ownership interests, if any owner proposed the sale or transfer of his or her respective membership interests. Id. ¶ 51.

Also, as part (the "Exclusive Authorizations Rights") of the JDD Agreement, Burton and Lemons (acting as CEO and COO of Harvest, respectively) agreed that Harvest would not sell any of Harvest's assets, including its licenses, or make any additional marijuana deal regarding Harvest's operations in Nevada, without the express prior written authorization of both JDD and TCS. *Id.* ¶ 52. Finally, TCS and JDD were to receive a pro rata share of any cash distributions that Harvest would make to its members, as the JDD Agreement closely mirrored the terms of the TCS agreement. *Id.* ¶ 53.

On or about May 6, 2016, JDD made a partial payment of \$200,000.00 to Harvest under the JDD Agreement. *Id.* ¶ 56. On or about June 17, 2016, JDD paid the remaining \$170,000 to Harvest, as the JDD Agreement required. *Id.* ¶ 57.

Plaintiffs' Exclusion from Harvest

Initially, Burton and Lemons actively involved Plaintiffs in drafting an amended operating agreement for Harvest and kept Plaintiffs apprised of Harvest's operations. *Id.* ¶ 60. In fact, in or around 2016, Saunders attended the Third Annual Marijuana Business and Conference Expo (the "2016 Conference") in Las Vegas with Burton and Lemons. *Id.* ¶¶ 61, 89.

In or about mid-2016, Burton and Lemons became less responsive and more confrontational with regard to the proposed amended Harvest operating agreement. *Id.* ¶ 64. Then Burton and Lemons began excluding Plaintiffs from Harvests's business operations altogether. *Id.* ¶ 65. Specifically, Saunders attempted to participate in Harvest's operations as CFO, but Burton and Lemons repeatedly excluded him. *Id.* at ¶ 66. Additionally, Burton and Lemons refused Plaintiffs' multiple requests to review Harvest's books and records, in violation of both Harvests's operating agreement and NRS 86.241, claiming that the books and records were not "ready" for review. *Id.* ¶ 67.

In or around 2017, after several unsuccessful attempts to reconcile with Burton and Lemons and to participate in the operations of the business, Plaintiffs demanded that Harvest buy out their entire membership interests. *Id.* ¶ 68. For several months afterward, Burton and Lemons claimed to be working on a plan to do so—but they never provided any concrete plan. *Id.* ¶ 69.

Although Plaintiffs were frustrated by Burton's and Lemons's unfulfilled promises, they nonetheless continued to attempt to amicably resolve the dispute without resorting to litigation. *Id.* \P 70. In or about the beginning of 2018, however, Burton and Lemons became unresponsive to Plaintiffs' requests. *Id.* \P 71.

In or about 2018, Plaintiffs began to suspect that Defendants were deliberately concealing Harvest's financial situation from Plaintiffs, and that Harvest might lack the means to buy out their membership interests. *Id.* ¶ 72. Plaintiffs renewed their demand for Harvests's books and records, and in or about August of 2018, Burton finally resumed communications with Plaintiffs and told them that the books and records were "ready" for review and that their buyout requests had been "submitted." *Id.* ¶¶ 73-74.

After months of difficulty in arranging the inspection, Saunders finally was given access to Harvest's books and records—and discovered that Harvest had *failed to keep any books and records since its inception. Id.* ¶¶ 75-78. And Harvest's bookkeeper revealed that all of Harvest's

transactions had been conducted with cash, with Burton and Lemons personally removing it from and depositing it in a safe box in the office. *Id.* \P 79.

After that, Saunders worked with Harvest's office manager to implement proper financial records. *Id.* ¶ 80. For the next several months, Saunders continued to attempt to fulfill his role as CFO and to assist in the business's operations while awaiting his buyout, but Burton and Lemons refused to respond to his calls and emails. *Id.* ¶ 81.

Finally, in or around September 2019, and in response to Saunders's request for his 2018 K-1 and a demand for the buyout to be finalized, Lemons asked to set up a phone call. *Id.* ¶ 82. Lemons failed to answer his phone and continued to evade Saunders's calls and emails. *Id.* ¶ 83. Plaintiffs then filed suit.

III. ARGUMENT

A district court *may* award attorneys fees to a "prevailing party" when it finds that the opposing party "brought of maintained [a claim] without reasonable ground[s]" NRS 18.010(2)(b); *Patush v. Las Vegas Bistro, LLC*, 135 Nev. Adv. Op. 46, 449 P.3d 467 (2019). To support such a discretionary award, "there must be evidence in the record supporting the proposition that the complaint was brought without reasonable grounds or to harass the other party." *Chowdhry v. NLVH, Inc.*, 109 Nev. 478, 486, 851 P.2d 459, 464 (1993).

Here, Plaintiffs had reasonable grounds to name Snowell, an entity that has as its sole member and manager the very man who defrauded them, Larry Lemons. Absent discovery, Plaintiffs should not be penalized for the current inability to substantiate Snowell's involvement without detailed specificity. Plaintiffs reasonably believed and alleged that Snowell was part of Defendant Lemons's web of deceit. There is no evidence in the record that the Plaintiffs intentionally made false allegations or disregarded the truth prior to naming Snowell.

This Court, after considering arguments of counsel, granted Snowell's motion to dismiss, without prejudice. The Court was not persuaded that the complaint had recited sufficient facts to allow for exercise of the Court's jurisdiction over Snowell.

The Court accepted the representations of Lemons in his supporting declaration. Discovery on the issue of specific jurisdiction was not permitted; hence, as of the timing of this motion, no evidence exists to support the claims of Lemons, except the testimony via affidavit of Lemons, the same Lemons who took Plaintiffs' money and ownership interest in Harvest Foundation.

Further, because the dismissal was *without prejudice*, Snowell does not meet the "prevailing party" standard. As noted by the Nevada Supreme Court in *145 E. Harmon II Tr. v. Residences at MGM Grand - Tower A Owners' Ass'n*, 460 P.3d 455, 459 (Nev. 2020), "[t]he Ninth Circuit distinguishes between dismissals with and without prejudice, explaining that a "dismissal without prejudice does not alter the legal relationship of the parties because the defendant remains subject to the risk of re-filing." *Cadkin v. Loose*, 569 F. 3d 1142, 1148 (9th Cir. 2009) (quoting *Oscar v. Alaska Dep't of Educ. & Early Dev.*, 541 F.3d 978, 981 (9th Cir. 2008)). Here, Snowell is also subject to being brought back into the case once discovery has taken place.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiffs respectfully request the Court deny the motion for fees, or at least hold any such decision in abeyance until some discovery is conducted regarding the central claim that Snowell was involved with Lemons here.

DATED this 7th day of April, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lee Iglody
Lee I. Iglody, Esq.
Attorney for Plaintiffs

1	<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>
2	I hereby certify that on the 7 th day of April, 2021, the foregoing OPPOSITION TO
3	MOTION FOR FEES was served on the parties via electronic service through Odyssey pursuant
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DISTRICT COURT **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

JDD, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; TCS Partners, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; JOHN SAUNDERS, an individual; and TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

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MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 PROPERTIES LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; THE HARVEST FOUNDATION LLC f/k/a, a Nevada 16 | limited liability company a/k/a THE HARVEST FOUNDATION, LLC; STRIVE MANAGEMENT L.L.C. d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company; STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA, LLC d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company; STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA 2 L.L.C. d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company; VIRIDIS GROUP 19 CAPITAL, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company; ROBERT FIREMAN, an individual; JON LEVINE, an individual; ANDREW BOWDEN, an individual; DOUGLAS BOWDEN, an individual; BRYCE SKALLA, an individual; JEFFREY RASSAS, an individual; DONALD BURTON, an individual; LARRY LEMONS, an individual; JEFFREY YOKIEL, an individual; JEROME YOKIEL, an individual; SARA GULLICKSON, an individual; CHASE HERSCHMAN, an individual; DOE INDIVIDUALS I through X, and ROE BUSINESS ENTITIES XI through XX, inclusive,

Defendants.

CASE NO.: A-20-811232-C

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FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

JURY DEMAND

EXEMPT FROM ARBITRATION (INJUNCTIVE, DECLARATORY, AND OTHER EXTRAORDINARY **EQUITABLE RELIEF REQUESTED)**

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FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT (JURY DEMANDED) EXEMPT FROM ARBITRATION (INJUNCTIVE, DECLARATORY, AND OTHER EXTRAORDINARY EQUITABLE RELIEF REQUESTED)

COMES NOW, Plaintiffs, JDD, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("JDD"); TCS PARTNERS L.L.C., a Nevada limited liability company ("TCS"); JOHN SAUNDERS, an individual ("Saunders"); and TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual ("Schmidt") (collectively "Plaintiffs"); and hereby allege against MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("MariMed"); ITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Item 9 Labs"); ITEM 9 PROPERTIES LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("Item 9 Properties"); THE HARVEST FOUNDATION LLC, a/k/a THE HARVEST FOUNDATION, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("Harvest"); STRIVE MANAGEMENT L.L.C. d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company ("Strive Management"); STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA, LLC d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company ("Strive Wellness"); STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA 2 L.L.C. d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company ("Strive Wellness 2"); VIRIDIS GROUP 19 CAPITAL, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company ("Viridis Capital"); VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company ("Viridis Holdings"); SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company ("Snowell Holdings"); ROBERT FIREMAN, an individual ("Fireman"); JON LEVINE, an individual ("Levine"); ANDREW BOWDEN, an individual ("Andrew"); DOUGLAS BOWDEN, an individual ("Douglas"); BRYCE SKALLA, an individual ("Skalla"); JEFFREY RASSAS, an individual ("Rassas"); DONALD BURTON, an individual ("Burton"); LARRY LEMONS, an individual ("Lemons"); JEFFREY YOKIEL, an individual ("Jeffrey"); JEROME YOKIEL, an individual ("Jerome"); SARA GULLICKSON, an individual ("Gullickson"); CHASE HERSCHMAN, an individual ("Hershman") (collectively "Defendants"), as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff JDD is a Nevada limited liability company with its principal place of business in Clark County, Nevada.

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- 2. Plaintiff TCS is a Nevada limited liability company, with its principal place of business in Clark County, Nevada.
- 3. Plaintiff Saunders is an individual residing in Los Angeles, California, and is the managing member of JDD.
- 4. Plaintiff Schmidt is an individual residing in Clark County, Nevada, and is the managing member of TCS.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Defendant MariMed is Delaware limited liability company, and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 6. Upon information and belief, Defendant Item 9 Labs, is Delaware corporation, and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 7. Upon information and belief, Defendant Item 9 Properties is a Nevada limited liability company, and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 8. Upon information and belief, Defendant Harvest is a Nevada limited liability company conducting business in Clark County, Nevada. Upon information and belief, Harvest is the holder of a special use permit and two (2) licenses for recreational and medical cannabis cultivation, with establishment identification numbers, RC086 and C086 ("Harvest Licenses"), and, upon information and belief, is an owner, officer, director, member, and/or manager of Defendants
- 9. Upon information and belief, Defendant Strive Management is a Nevada limited liability company, and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated

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- 10. Upon information and belief, Defendant Strive Wellness is the holder of two (2) licenses for the production and cultivation of medical cannabis, with establishment identification numbers P131 and C206d ("Strive Wellness Licenses"), and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 11. Upon information and belief, Strive Wellness 2 is a Nevada limited liability company, and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Viridis Capital is an Arizona limited liability 12. company, and is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 13. Upon information and belief, Defendant Viridis Holdings is an Arizona limited liability company, is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 14. Upon information and belief, Defendant Snowell Holdings is an Ohio limited liability company, is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive

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Wellness 2, and/or Viridis Capital, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.

- 15. Upon information and belief, Defendant Burton is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Defendant Lemons is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 17. Upon information and belief, Defendant Jerome is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 18. Upon information and belief, Defendant Jeffrey is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 19. Upon information and belief, Defendant Fireman is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.

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- 20. Upon information and belief, Defendant Levine is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Andrew is an owner, officer, director, 21. manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 22. Upon information and belief, Defendant Douglas is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 23. Upon information and belief, Defendant Skalla is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 24. Upon information and belief, Defendant Rassas is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 25. Upon information and belief, Defendant Gullickson is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis

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- 26. Upon information and belief, Defendant Herschman is an owner, officer, director, manager, member, and/or is otherwise affiliated with Harvest, MariMed, Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, and/or Snowell Holdings, and is regularly doing business on behalf of such entities in Clark County, Nevada.
- 27. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate, or otherwise, of Defendants Doe Individuals I through X and Roe Business Entities XI through XX, including, without limitation, for example, any involved business entity owned by or affiliated with the named Defendants or any other party whose acts are involved in this matter, are unknown to Plaintiff, who therefore sues said Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and therefore allege, that each of the Defendants designated as Doe Individuals I through X or Roe Business Entities XI through XX is responsible in some manner for the events and occurrences referred to in this First Amended Complaint, and/or owes money to Plaintiffs and/or may be affiliated with one of the other Defendants. Plaintiffs will ask leave of the Court to amend this First Amended Complaint in order to insert the true names and capacities of Doe Individuals I through X and Roe Business Entities XI through XX when the same have been ascertained, and to join said Defendants in this action.
- 28. At all relevant times, Defendants, and each of them, were the agents, ostensible agents, employees, employers, partners, co-owners and/or joint venturers of each other and of their co-defendants, and were acting within the color, purpose and scope of their employment, agency, ownership and/or joint venture and by reasons of such relationships, the Defendants, and each of them, are vicariously and jointly and severally responsible for the acts of omissions of their codefendants. Furthermore, at all relevant times, Defendants, and each of them expressly, implicitly and/or tacitly authorized, approved, consented to and/or ratified the acts of its agents, servants, employees, co-owners and each other and, as a result thereof, are liable for compensatory and punitive damages.

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JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 29. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the action pursuant to Article VI of the Nevada Constitution.
- 30. The Court has personal jurisdiction over the Defendants in accordance with NRS 14.060 and 14.065.
- 31. Venue is proper in the Eight Judicial District Court in accordance with NRS 13.010 and 13.040.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

TCS Agreement A.

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- 33. Thereafter, Schmidt toured the Harvest facility and expressed interest in investing in in Harvest's operations and becoming part of the company.
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 - b. Lemons would own 25.05%;
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 - d. Jerome Yokiel would own 10%.
- A true and correct copy of the TCS Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "1."

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- 37. Additionally, under Section 4 of the TCS Agreement, Burton and Lemons, as officers of Harvest, agreed that there would be no additional transfer of equity or membership interest in Harvest for a period of twelve (12) months, to prevent TCS's 9.9% membership interest from being diluted.
- 38. Furthermore, under Sections 5 and 6 of the TCS Agreement, TCS was entitled to a pro rata share of any distributions of profits and was given the right to vote as a member of Harvest pursuant to Harvest's operating agreement; in addition, Burton and Lemons reaffirmed that they would continue as CEO and COO of Harvest, respectively, and as managing members. *Id.* at 2.
- 39. Finally, under Section 8 of the TCS Agreement, the Operating Agreement and all other governing documents for Harvest were to be revised to reflect TCS's 9.9% membership interest in Harvest, with a copy of the TCS Agreement to be attached thereto. *Id.* at 2.
- 40. On or about January 22, 2015, TCS performed all of its obligations under the TCS Agreement by wiring the full \$371,250.00 to Harvest.

В. JDD Agreement

- 41. In or about 2016, Saunders learned of Harvest and expressed interest to Burton, Lemon, and Schmidt to become part of the company.
- 42. In or about 2016, as the managing member of JDD, Saunders entered into an agreement with Burton and Lemon (acting in their respective capacities as CEO and COO of Harvest), and TCS, as a member of Harvest (holding non-dilutable membership interests), to purchase 9.9% of the Harvest membership interests ("JDD Agreement").
- 43. While this deal was not memorialized in a fully integrated written contract like the TCS Agreement, see Exhibit "1," Saunders engaged in a serious of negotiations with Burton, Lemons (acting in their respective capacities as CEO and COO of Harvest), and Schmidt (as the managing member of TCS) to purchase his 9.9% interest.
- 44. These negotiations were conducted through a series of phone calls, and memorialized in numerous text messages, emails, and other documents.
- 45. Upon information and belief, all members of Harvest approved, or otherwise ratified, the JDD Agreement.

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- 46. Under the JDD Agreement, JDD agreed to pay \$370,000.00 to Harvest in exchange for 9.9% of the total membership interests in Harvest, and, like TCS, JDD was expressly granted voting rights and distributions.
- 47. Moreover, under the JDD Agreement, Saunders was appointed as Chief Financial Officer of Harvest, was to be paid an annual salary of \$70,000.00, and was to be given an active role in Harvest's operations.
- 48. As with the TCS Agreement, the JDD Agreement required the other members, except for TCS, to transfer portions of their own respective membership interests to JDD.
 - 49. Thus, the new distribution of membership interests was to be as follows:
 - a. Burton would own 24.1%;
 - b. Lemons (either individually and/or through Snowell Holdings) would own 24.1%;
 - c. Jeff Yokiel would own 22%; and
 - d. Jerome Yokiel would own 10%.
 - e. TCS would own 9.9%; and
 - JDD would own 9.9%.
- 50. Moreover, as part of the JDD Agreement, TCS and JDD's interests were to remain undiluted by any future sale or transfer of interests by the other members.
- 51. In fact, TCS and JDD retained a right of first refusal to purchase any of the other Harvest members' ownership interests, if any member proposed the sale or transfer of his or her respective membership interests.
- 52. Moreover, as part of the JDD Agreement, Burton and Lemons (acting in their respective capacities as CEO and COO of Harvest) agreed that Harvest would not sell any of Harvest's assets, including its licenses, or make any additional Marijuana deal regarding Harvest's operations in the state of Nevada, without the express prior written authorization of both JDD and TCS ("Exclusive Authorization Rights").

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- 53. Finally, TCS and JDD were to receive a pro rata share of any cash distributions made by Harvest to its Members, as the JDD Agreement closely mirrored the terms of the TCS Agreement, with regard to both JDD and TCS, and was approved by TCS's managing partner Plaintiff Schmidt.
- 54. Defendants Lemons, Burton, Harvest, Jeffrey agreed to all terms of the JDD Agreement and also agreed that the operating agreement of Harvest would be amended to reflect TCS and JDD's respective 9.9% (totaling 19.8%).
- 55. Upon information and belief, Defendant Jerome ratified or otherwise accepted the JDD Agreement.
- 56. On or about May 6, 2016, JDD made a partial payment of \$200,000.00 to Harvest, under the JDD Agreement.
- 57. On or about June 17, 2016, JDD paid the remaining \$170,000.00 to Harvest, as required by the JDD Agreement.

C. Plaintiffs' Exclusion from Harvest

- 58. Plaintiffs relied on the above representations made by Burton and Lemons in the TCS and JDD Agreements, as valid and binding contracts.
- 59. Moreover, in or about 2016, Plaintiffs discussed various revisions to the Harvest operating agreement, with Burton and Lemons, including the specific request to amend the Harvest operating agreement to reflect the new membership interests of TCS and JDD.
- 60. Initially, Burton and Lemons actively involved Plaintiffs in the drafting process of the amended operating agreement, and kept Plaintiffs apprised of Harvest's operations.
- 61. In fact, in or around 2016, Saunders even attended the Lemons at the Third Annual Marijuana Business and Conference Expo at the Rio Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada ("2016 Conference").
- 62. At the 2016 Conference, Saunders met Defendants Fireman and Levine, who were the CEO and CFO, respectively, of Defendant MariMed, and informed them directly that Saunders and Schmidt owned nearly 20% of the membership interests in Harvest.
- 63. Saunders informed Fireman and Levine that he was the CFO and a member of Harvest.

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- 64. In or about the middle of 2016, Burton and Lemons became less responsive, and more confrontational with regard to the proposed amended Harvest operating agreement.
- 65. Thereafter, Burton and Lemons began to exclude Plaintiffs from Harvest's business operations all together.
- 66. Specifically, Saunders attempted to participate in the operations of Harvest as CFO, but Saunders was repeatedly excluded by Burton and Lemons.
- 67. Additionally, Burton and Lemons refused Plaintiffs' multiple requests to review Harvest's books and records in violation of both the Harvest operating agreement and NRS 86.241, claiming that the books and records were not "ready" for review
- 68. In or around 2017, after several unsuccessful attempts to reconcile with Burton and Lemons and to participate in the operations of the business, Plaintiffs demanded that Harvest buy out Plaintiffs' entire membership interest (which totaled 19.8% of Harvest's total membership interests).
- 69. For several months thereafter, Burton and Lemons claimed to be working on a plan to buyout TCS and JDD's membership interests, but failed to provide any concrete plan.
- 70. While Plaintiffs were frustrated with Burton and Lemons's unfulfilled promises, Plaintiffs attempted to continue and amicably resolve the dispute without resorting to litigation.
- 71. In or about the beginning of 2018, Burton and Lemons became unresponsive to Plaintiffs' requests.
- 72. In or about 2018, Plaintiffs began to suspect that Defendants were deliberately concealing Harvest's financial situation from Plaintiffs, and that Harvest may not have the means to buy out Plaintiffs' membership interests.
- 73. In or about 2018, Plaintiffs renewed their demand of Burton and Lemons to provide Harvest's books and records, and to follow through with the promised buyout of Plaintiffs' membership interests.
- 74. In or about August 2018, Burton finally began communicating with Plaintiffs, and claimed that the books and records were "ready" for review, and that their requested buyout had

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been "submitted" (though he never clarified who the request had been submitted to, as Burton was purportedly acting as CEO and would have been the one to approve a buyout).

- 75. Nevertheless, for nearly two more months, Burton provided no helpful information beyond a few cryptic responses stating that Saunders could go to inspect the books and records "anvtime."
- 76. After several fruitless attempts by Saunders to schedule a time to visit Harvest's facility in Las Vegas, Nevada to inspect Harvest's books and records, Burton finally directed Saunders to speak with the Harvest's office manager to schedule a time to visit Harvest's headquarters.
- 77. Thereafter, Saunders scheduled a time to August 2018, Saunders was finally given access to Harvest's books and records, and travelled to Harvest's headquarters in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 78. Upon his arrival, Saunders finally learned why Burton and Lemons had refused his previous requests to inspect the books, as Saunders discovered that Harvest had failed to keep and books or records whatsoever, since its inception.
- 79. Saunders also learned from Harvest's book keeper that all financial transactions, including paying bills and payroll, were done using cash, and involved Burton and Lemons personally removing and depositing cash into a safe box in the office.
- 80. Thereafter, Saunders worked with Harvest's office manager to effectively to begin implementing proper financial records, including preparing a cash flow projection template for her to use.
- 81. For the next several months, Saunders continued to attempt to fulfill his role as CFO and to assist in the operations of the business while he awaited his buyout, but Burton and Lemons refused to respond to his calls and emails.
- 82. Finally, in or around September 2019, and in response to Saunders's request for his 2018 K-1 and a demand for the buyout to be finalized, Lemons asked to set up a phone call.
- But, true to form, Lemons failed to answer his phone and continued to evade 83. Saunders's calls and emails thereafter.

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84. Defendants further breached their fiduciary obligations as officers and managing members of Harvest by refusing to provide Plaintiff's with all requisite Schedule K-1 forms, denying their request for copies of Harvest's yearly federal, state and local income tax returns, denying their request to review the books and records of Harvest and/or failing to prepare and maintain adequate books and records for Harvest, in direct violation of NRS 86.241.

Conspiracy with MariMed.

- 85. In or about December 2019, Plaintiffs received a copy of Membership Interest Purchase Agreement entered into between Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, and MariMed ("MariMed Purchase Agreement"), which had been executed on August 8, 2019. The MariMed Purchase Agreement is attached hereto as **Exhibit "2."**
- 86. The MariMed Purchase Agreement misrepresented that Burton, Lemons, and Jeffrey were the only members of Harvest and that these three individuals owned 100% of the membership interests in Harvest, and MariMed agreed to pay \$1,200,000 in MariMed's common stock to purportedly purchase 100% of the membership interests of Harvest. See Exhibit "2" at 1.
- 87. In fact, the "Allocation Schedule" of the MariMed Purchase Agreement blatantly misrepresent the true allocation of Harvest membership interests as follows (see Exhibit B of **Exhibit "2")**:
 - a. Donald Burton 34.5%
 - b. Larry Lemon[sic] 34.5%
 - c. Jeffrey Yokiel 31%
- 88. The MariMed Purchase Agreement is even more egregious due to the fact that Fireman and Levine (respectively, MariMed's CEO and CFO) had actual knowledge of Plaintiffs' interests (as explained supra).
- 89. Specifically, in or around 2016, Levine, Fireman's partner and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of MariMed, met with Saunders, Burton, and Lemons at the 2016 Conference and was informed of Plaintiffs' ownership interests.
- 90. On or about August 8, 2019, unbeknownst to Plaintiff's, Defendants MariMed and Fireman conspired with, and aided and abetted, Defendants Harvest, Burton, and Lemons who

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breached their fiduciary duties, by covertly entering into a purchase agreement with MariMed (the "MariMed Purchase Agreement"). Such agreement purported to sell MariMed 100% of the ownership interests in Harvest and its valuable Harvest Licenses.

- 91. Not only was the MariMed Purchase Agreement fraudulent and an attempt to convert the membership interests from JDD and TCS, but the MariMed Purchase Agreement was also a clear breach of the TCS and JDD Agreements the Exclusive Authorization Rights granted to TCS and JDD, respectively, in the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement (as explained *supra*).
- 92. Moreover, according to MariMed's most recent 10K filing with the SEC, MariMed paid Harvest over \$1,000,000.00 and invested another \$2,200,000 into Harvest which, upon information and belief, was solely used to line the pockets of Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, and Jerome.

Ε. Conspiracy with Item 9 Labs and Associated Entities.

- 93. Upon information and belief, in or about 2019, Burton and Lemons also began conspiring to commit fraud with the other named Defendants.
- 94. Gullickson, Burton, and Lemons are all listed as managing-members of Strive Management and Strive Wellness 2.
 - 95. Gullickson and Burton are listed as managing-members of Strive Wellness.
- 96. Only recently, did Plaintiffs learn that Gullickson began appearing as a member, let alone a managing member of Harvest, beginning with the March 2019 annual list filled with the Nevada Secretary of State.
- 97. Such unilateral addition of not only a member, but a managing member, was in clear breach of the Exclusive Authorization Rights granted to TCS and JDD, respectively, in the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement (as explained *supra*).
- 98. Moreover, all named Defendants had actual or constructive knowledge of Plaintiffs membership interests in Harvest and the associated Exclusive Authorization Rights.
- 99. Moreover, in or about September 12, 2018, and unbeknownst to Plaintiffs and in clear breach of the Exclusive Authorization Rights granted to TCS and JDD, respectively, in the

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TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement (as explained *supra*), and upon information and belief, all named Defendants Item 9 Labs, Item 9 Properties, Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, Andrew, Douglas, Skalla, and Rassas, Herschman, made a capital contribution of \$1,500,000.00 into Strive Management, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, the management arm of Defendant Strive Wellness ("Item 9 Agreements") which owns two (2) other valuable Cannabis licenses in Nye, County.

- 100. The Item 9 Agreements were in direct violation of Plaintiffs' Exclusive Authorization Rights.
- 101. Upon information, this capital was based on a total investment of \$2,700,000.00 from Viridis Capital and Viridis Holdings under a revenue participation agreement.
- 102. Upon information and belief, in exchange for this capital contribution secured by Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, Andrew, Douglas, Skalla, Rassas, Item 9 Labs and/or Item 9 Properties purchased 20% of the membership interests in Strive Management with the remaining ownership held by Burton, Lemons, and Gullickson.
- 103. The Item 9 Agreements also include Item 9 Labs acquiring an additional 31% ownership of Strive Management and Strive Wellness. The Item 9 Agreements also include Item 9 Labs investing \$5,500,000.00 in order to construct a facility in Nevada which will be wholly owned by Item 9 Labs and leased to Strive Management.
- 104. Upon information and belief, in exchange for the investments contemplated under the Item 9 Agreements, Defendants Viridis Capital, Viridis Holdings, Andrew, and Douglas will receive waterfall revenue participation including 5% of Item 9 Lab's gross revenue from Nevada operations and scaling down to a lower percentage in perpetuity and that Defendants would own an aggregate of 51% of the Nevada operations which represent tens of millions of dollars. Item 9 Lab's most recent 10K filing with the SEC, dated January 14, 2020 brazenly represented the breach by describing an Item 9 Lab and Harvest Joint Venture in Nevada.

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- 105. Around the same time on August 28, 2018 and seeing another opportunity to strike, Defendant Item 9 Properties, a wholly owned subsidiary of Defendant Item 9 Labs, entered into another agreement for \$2,500,000.00 in order to develop and construct a 5-acre, 20,000 sq. ft. building housing cultivation and processing operations and owned by Item 9 Labs under the 2nd Nevada Licenses.
- 106. Upon information and belief, there are several other agreements with Item 9 Labs from which Plaintiffs have been excluded from in violation of their contractual rights.
- 107. Plaintiffs have been excluded from all Item 9 Agreements, to the benefit of all named Defendants.
- 108. As a result of Defendants' unlawful and improper conduct, Plaintiffs have been forced to retain the service of an attorney, and have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00, and Plaintiffs are entitled to compensatory damages, special damages, and all other relief as requested herein.

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Against Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, Snowell Holdings, and Harvest)

- 109. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth herein.
- 110. As explained *supra*, Plaintiffs entered into valid and binding contracts with Burton, Lemons, Harvest (and all of its members) to obtain a 19.8% membership interests in Harvest, and Plaintiffs good and valuable consideration in accordance thereto.
- In or about August 8, 2019, Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, and Harvest breached their 111. respective contracts with Plaintiffs.
- 112. Burton and Lemons (both as an officer and managing-member of Harvest, and as a managing-member of Snowell Holdings) breached the Plaintiffs' Agreement by among other things:

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- (a) Entering into a Purchase Agreement with MariMed, which entirely neglected to mention and account for Plaintiffs' membership interest in Harvest, as set forth under the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement;
- (b) Covertly entering into a Purchase Agreement with MariMed, which falsely represented that Burton, Lemons and Jeffrey collectively owned 100% of the issued and outstanding membership interests in Harvest despite Plaintiffs' membership interests in Harvest, as set forth under the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement;
 - (c) Thereafter failing to reimburse Plaintiffs for their pro rata investment in Harvest;
- 113. Failing to amend the Purchase Agreement with MariMed to reflect Harvest's proper ownership interest, including but not limited to Plaintiffs' membership interests;
- 114. Upon reasonable demand, NRS 86.241 affords each member of a limited liability company the right to, among other things, (i) obtain complete records regarding the activities and the status of the business and financial condition of the company; and (ii) obtain a copy of the company's federal, state and local income tax returns for each year.
- 115. Despite Plaintiffs' membership interests in Harvest, Defendants refused to provide Saunders and Schmidt with copies of Harvest's yearly federal, state and local income tax returns, failed to prepare and maintain adequate books and records for Harvest, and refused to grant Saunders and Schmidt access to review the books and records of Harvest, in direct violation of the statutory obligations set forth under NRS 86.241.
- Lemons and Burton explicitly breached their respective covenants not to compete and to include Plaintiffs in all marijuana cultivation, distribution, retail, or other ventures in the State of Nevada.
- 117. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of the unlawful, improper, unprivileged, and unjustified conduct of the Defendants named herein Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

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SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF ALTERNATIVELY, UNJUST ENRICHMENT

(Against All Defendants)

- 119. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 120. Upon information and belief, Defendants excluded Plaintiffs from the MariMed Purchase Agreement and/or the Item 9 Agreements, without paying Plaintiffs reasonably equivalent value of the same, to the benefit of Defendants.
- 121. This cause of action is pleaded only in the alternative, if the Court determines that Plaintiffs breach of contract claim fails.
- 122. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of the unlawful, improper, unprivileged, and unjustified conduct of the Defendants named herein Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 123. The actions of the Defendants named herein were deliberate, wanton, willful, and malicious, which justifies an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs and shareholders, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- 124. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF FRAUD - INTENTIONAL MISREPRESENTATION AND INDUCEMENT

- 125. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs of the First Amended Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
- 126. Pursuant to the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, Burton, Lemons, and Harvest represented that Plaintiffs would (1) have a right of first refusal of regarding transfer of any of the membership interests, and (2) that Plaintiffs would be given Exclusive Authorization Rights to approve or deny the purchase, sale, or transfer of any cannabis cultivation, distribution, retail, or other license held by Harvest or any of its individual members, and would be included on any current or future licenses.

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- 127. Defendants knew that these false representations were false when they made them and/or made them recklessly and without regard for their truth because, in order to induce Plaintiffs to invest nearly \$750,000.00 in Harvest.
- 128. Plaintiffs were unaware of Burton, Lemons, and Harvest's intention not to perform the promises contained in the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, and justifiably relied and acted in reliance upon the false representations.
- 129. As a direct and proximate result of the false representations described herein, Plaintiffs have suffered damages in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 130. The aforementioned conduct of Defendants was willful and constitutes oppression, fraud, and malice, and entitles Plaintiffs to an award of punitive damages, pursuant to NRS 42.005, and to attorney's fees in the amount of NRS 41.600.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF FRAUD - FRAUDULENT CONCEALMENT

- 131. Burton, Lemons, and Harvest concealed or suppressed one or more material facts from Plaintiffs, regarding the sale of 100% of the membership interests of Harvest to MariMed, and had a duty to disclose such facts to the Plaintiffs (as all the Defendants named herein had actual or constructive knowledge of Plaintiffs' membership interests).
- 132. The Defendants named herein intentionally concealed or suppressed the facts of such sale with the intent to defraud the Plaintiffs out of their membership interests in Harvest.
- 133. Plaintiffs were unaware of the execution of the MariMed Purchase Agreement until after it had been completed, and would have intervened before the deal was consummated had Plaintiffs had such prior knowledge of the impending deal.
- As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned Defendants' concealment, as 134. described herein, Plaintiffs have suffered damages in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 135. The aforementioned conduct of Defendants was willful and constitutes oppression, fraud, and malice, and entitles Plaintiffs to an award of punitive damages, pursuant to NRS 42.005, and to attorney's fees in the amount of NRS 41.600.

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FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF CONSTRUCTIVE FRAUD

(Against Burton, Lemons, and Harvest)

- 136. Burton, Lemons, and Harvest, with full knowledge of the legal, equitable, and fiduciary obligations owed to Plaintiffs as managing members, officers, and majority shareholders (and as explained in greater detail herein, *infra* Twelfth Cause of Action).
- 137. The Defendants named herein breached their legal, equitable, and/or fiduciary duties owed to Plaintiffs, in such a way that Nevada law declares such behavior is fraudulent.
- 138. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned Defendants' concealment, as described herein, Plaintiffs have suffered damages in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 139. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and the aforementioned Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF ALTERNATIVELY, NEGLIGENT MISREPRESENTATION

- 140. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 141. Burton, Lemons, and Harvest supplied false information to induce Plaintiffs to enter into the TCS Agreement and the JDD Agreement, as described in the foregoing paragraphs.
- 142. Specifically, the Defendants named herein represented that Plaintiffs would (1) have a right of first refusal of regarding transfer of any of the membership interests, and (2) that Plaintiffs would be given Exclusive Authorization Rights to approve or deny the purchase, sale, or transfer of any cannabis cultivation, distribution, retail, or other license held by Harvest or any of its individual members, and would be included on any current or future licenses.
- 143. Such above representations and associated information was supplied to induce Plaintiffs in making an investment in Harvest.
- 144. The Defendants named herein failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in obtaining or communicating such information.

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- 145. Plaintiffs justifiably relied upon the information by entering into the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, and for paying valuable consideration pursuant thereto.
- 146. As a direct and proximate result of the information described herein, Plaintiffs have suffered damages in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 147. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and the aforementioned Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF TORTIOUS BREACH OF THE IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING

(Against Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, Jerome, Snowell Holdings, and Harvest)

- 148. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 149. Every contract in Nevada contains an implied covenant of good faith in performance and enforcement of the contract.
- 150. Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, Jerome, and Harvest performed in a manner that was in violation of or unfaithful to the spirit of the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, which were valid and binding contracts.
- 151. There existed a special relationship of trust between the Plaintiffs as members of and investors in Harvest, and Defendants as managing members and officers of Harvest.
- 152. The Defendants named herein, unfaithful actions were deliberate, as described in the foregoing paragraphs, and such actions directly and proximately caused Plaintiffs' damages in excess of \$15,000.00.
- The conduct of the aforementioned Defendants was willful and constitutes 153. oppression, fraud, and malice, and entitles Plaintiffs to an award of punitive damages, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- Plaintiffs were required to obtain the services of an attorney to pursue their claims, 154. and therefore seek reimbursement of the attorney's fees and costs incurred in this action.

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155. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and the aforementioned Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF USURPATION OF CORPORATE OPPORTUNITY

- 156. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 157. Burton, Lemons, and Harvest owed fiduciary duties to Plaintiffs, by virtue of their positions as officers, managing-members, and majority shareholders.
- 158. The Defendants named herein owed (and/or continue to owe) Plaintiffs and the Company's shareholders fiduciary duties, which include, but are not limited to, duties of loyalty, care, and the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.
- The Defendants named herein were under a duty to act for or give advice for the benefit of Plaintiffs, individually, and the shareholders generally, upon matters within the scope of that relationship.
- 160. The Defendants named herein owed Plaintiffs the duty to use due care or diligence, to act with utmost faith, to exercise ordinary skill, and/or to act with reasonable intelligence.
- 161. The Defendants named herein breached their fiduciary duties to Plaintiffs, specifically, and to the shareholders generally, which caused Plaintiffs and the shareholders losses or injuries.
- 162. Moreover, The Defendants named herein appropriated for their own use, an opportunity that belonged to Harvest and its members, including Plaintiffs. At a minimum all Defendants ratified Defendant Anderson and his co-conspirator's conduct.
- 163. Upon information and belief, the Defendants named herein, used the investments of Plaintiffs to acquire additional cannabis cultivation, distribution, and/or retail licenses, for the use and benefit of all other Harvest's members, other than Plaintiffs.

- 164. Moreover, the Defendants named herein have breached their agreements with Plaintiffs, who were induced to remain as shareholders and investors as a result of such promises.
- 165. Furthermore, the Board that acted unilaterally by circumventing the requirements of NRS 86.241, the Harvest operating agreement, the TCS Agreement, and the JDD Agreement.
- 166. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of Defendants' unlawful and improper conduct, Plaintiffs have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 167. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF CONVERSION

(Against Burton, Lemons, Jeffrey, Fireman, Levine, MariMed, and Harvest)

- 168. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in the preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 169. The Defendants named herein, facilitated the sale of 100% of the membership interests in Harvest to MariMed without the authorization of and without compensating Plaintiffs.
- 170. The Defendants named herein, specifically denied Plaintiffs the use and enjoyment of their rights in ownership in Harvest.
 - 171. Such acts were committed in derogation, exclusion, or defiance of Plaintiffs' rights.
- 172. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of Defendants' unlawful and improper conduct, Plaintiffs has been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 173. The aforementioned Defendants' actions were deliberate, wanton, willful, and malicious, which justifies an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs and shareholders, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- 174. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and aforementioned Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

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TENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF GROSS NEGLIGENCE

(Against Burton, Lemons, and Harvest)

- 175. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 176. The Defendants named herein, owed a legal or fiduciary duty to Plaintiffs (as described in the foregoing paragraphs) as majority shareholders, and/or as managing members and officers of Harvest.
- 177. The Defendants named herein, failed to exercise even the slightest degree of care with regard to the duties owed to Plaintiffs, and breach those duties.
- 178. The Defendants named herein, attempted to sell Plaintiffs interest to MariMed without giving them any valuable consideration.
- 179. The Defendants named herein, engaged in an act or omission respecting legal duty of an aggravated character, or with willful, wanton misconduct.
- 180. As a direct and proximate result of such actions, Plaintiffs have been damaged and continue to be damaged in a sum in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 181. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and aforementioned Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

ELEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF CIVIL CONSPIRACY

(Against All Defendants)

- 182. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference all previous paragraphs above as though set forth herein.
- 183. Defendants intended to work together as part of a conspiracy to commit the unlawful and improper conduct described herein.
- 184. Defendants acted by a concert of action by agreement, understanding, or "meeting of the minds," whether explicit or by tacit agreement, to carry out the unlawful and improper conduct described herein.

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- 185. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of Defendants' unlawful and improper conduct, Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 186. The Defendants' conduct is wanton, willful, and malicious, justifying an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- 187. The Defendant's conduct is wanton, willful, and malicious, justifying an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 188. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

TWELFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF **EOUITABLE RELIEF - ALTER EGO**

(Against All Defendants)

- 189. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 190. Upon information and belief, there is a unity of interest and ownership between all Defendants, such that the Defendant entities and the individual persons are inseparable from one another.
- 191. Upon information and belief, the adherence to the corporate fiction of Harvest, MariMed, Strive Management, Strive Wellness, Strive Wellness 2, Item 9 Labs, and Item 9 Properties ("Defendant Entities"), under the circumstances, would sanction a fraud or promote injustice, as described herein.
- Upon information and belief, all individual Defendants (1) undercapitalized each 192. Defendant Entity and comingled funds with the general funds of each Defendant entity, (2) failed to observe corporate formalities, (3) took and gave loans to or from one or more of the Defendant Entities without sufficient consideration, and (4) generally treated the assets of the Defendant Entities as their own personal assets.

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THIRTEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF AIDING AND ABETTING BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTIES

(Against all Defendants)

- 193. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 194. As specified foregoing paragraphs, a fiduciary relationship exists between Plaintiffs as members of Harvest, on the one hand, and Burton and Lemons as officers and managing-members of Harvest, on the other hand.
- 195. As specified in the foregoing paragraphs, Burton and Lemons, as officers and managing-members of Harvest, breached their fiduciary duties to Plaintiffs.
- 196. Each Defendant, including Burton and Lemons as to each other's respective breaches, knowingly participated in or facilitated said breaches.
- 197. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of Defendants' unlawful and improper conduct, Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 198. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.
- 199. Defendants' actions were deliberate, wanton, willful, and malicious, which justifies an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs and shareholders, pursuant to NRS 42.005.

FOURTEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF INTENTIONAL INTERFERENCE WITH CONTRACTUAL RELATIONS (Against All Defendants)

- 200. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 201. Defendants had actual knowledge, or had reason to know, of Plaintiffs interests in Harvest, and Plaintiffs' Exclusive Authorization Rights and the right of first refusal, as outlined in the foregoing paragraphs.

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- 202. Upon information and belief, Defendants intentional acts were intended or designed to disrupt the contractual relationships between Plaintiffs and other cannabis entities, including, but not limited to Defendants, and other Doe individuals and Roe entities.
- 203. Upon information and belief, Defendants new of the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, and committed intentional acts to prevent Plaintiffs from appreciating rights thereunder.
- 204. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of the unlawful, improper, unprivileged, and unjustified conduct of the Defendants named herein, Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- Defendants' actions were deliberate, wanton, willful, and malicious, which justifies an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs and shareholders, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- 206. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

FIFTEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF INTENTONAL INTERFERENCE WITH PROSPECTIVCE ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE (Against All Defendants)

- 207. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 208. Upon information and belief, Defendants new of the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, and committed intentional acts to prevent Plaintiffs from appreciating rights under the MariMed Purchase Agreement or Item 9 Agreements.
- 209. Defendants' actions were intended or designed to disrupt the prospective contractual relationships between Plaintiffs and other cannabis entities, including, but not limited to Defendants, and other Doe individuals and Roe entities.
- 210. Upon information and belief, Defendants new of the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, and committed intentional acts to prevent Plaintiffs from appreciating rights thereunder, or under the MariMed Purchase Agreement or Item 9 Agreements.

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- 211. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of the unlawful, improper, unprivileged, and unjustified conduct of the Defendants named herein Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 212. The actions of the Defendants named herein were deliberate, wanton, willful, and malicious, which justifies an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs and shareholders, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- 213. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

SIXTEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF EOUITABLE RELIEF - PROMISSORY ESTOPPEL, INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, AND ACCOUNTING

(Against All Defendants)

- 214. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 215. Upon information and belief, the Defendants named herein were apprised of true facts as alleged in the foregoing paragraphs.
- 216. Defendants intended to exclude Plaintiffs from the MariMed Purchase Agreement and Item 9 Agreements, even though Defendants know of Plaintiffs were entitled to be a part of those contracts.
- 217. Plaintiffs were ignorant of the true facts until after the MariMed Purchase Agreement had been consummated.
- 218. Plaintiffs relied on the conduct of the Defendants named herein, to the Plaintiffs' detriment, as described in the foregoing paragraphs.
- 219. As described in the foregoing paragraphs, a fiduciary relationship, based on trust and confidence, exists between Plaintiffs on the one hand, and Burton, Lemons, and Harvest, on the other hand.
- 220. Plaintiffs have demanded the information necessary, or an accounting from the Defendants named herein, and payment for the amounts found due, but Defendants have failed and

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refused, and continue to fail and refuse to render such an accounting and to pay said sums to Plaintiffs.

- 221. As a result of the aforementioned Defendant's actions set forth herein, Plaintiffs are entitled to an Order of this Court, enjoining and restraining the Defendants to provide access to the Court, and an accounting to be made of the aforementioned Defendant's records, regarding their various breaches of or interference with the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement.
- Plaintiffs are also entitled to an order from this Court enjoining the closing of the 222. MariMed Purchase Agreement and transfer of Plaintiffs' Harvest membership interests to MariMed.

SEVENTEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (CIVIL RACKETERING INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS ACT - RICO)

- 223. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 224. The Defendants named herein, engaged in racketeering activities as defined in NRS 207.390 and a racketeering enterprise as is defined in NRS 207.380.
- 225. Specifically, the Defendants named herein committed multiple violations of the acts described in NRS 90.570 and NRS 205.377, based on the allegations in the foregoing paragraphs.
- 226. The Defendants named herein, acting directly, and in conspiracy with one another or through their syndicate, participated directly in racketeering activity by engaging in at least two crimes related to racketeering.
- 227. The activities of the Defendants named herein, have the same or a similar pattern, intent, results, accomplices, victims, or methods of commission, or otherwise interrelated by distinguishing characteristics and are not isolated events.
- 228. Specifically, Lemons and Burton have consistently excluded Plaintiffs from their rights under the TCS Agreement and JDD Agreement, on multiple occasions.
- 229. The Defendants named herein, acquired or maintained directly or indirectly an interest in, or control of, an enterprise, or otherwise employed by or associated with an enterprise,

to conduct or participate directly or indirectly in the affairs of the enterprise through a racketeering activity.

- 230. Plaintiffs' injuries flow from Defendants' violation of a predicate act of Nevada's RICO statute.
- 231. Plaintiffs' injury was proximately caused by the Defendant's violation of the predicate act.
 - 232. Plaintiffs did not participate in the commission of the predicate act.
- 233. Plaintiffs are entitled to institute a civil action for recovery of treble damages proximately caused by the RICO violations listed in NRS 207.470(1), by Defendants named herein.
- 234. As a direct and foreseeable consequence of the unlawful, improper, unprivileged, and unjustified conduct of the Defendants named herein Plaintiffs and the shareholders have been damaged in excess of \$15,000.00.
- 235. The actions of the Defendants named herein were deliberate, wanton, willful, and malicious, which justifies an award of punitive damages in favor of Plaintiffs and shareholders, pursuant to NRS 42.005.
- 236. It has been necessary for Plaintiffs to retain the services of an attorney to prosecute this action, and Defendants should be required to pay reasonable attorneys' fees as well as costs incurred in accordance with the law, including, without limitation, as special damages.

EIGHTEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF ATTORNEYS' FEES AS SPECIAL DAMAGES

(Against All Defendants)

- 237. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 238. Plaintiffs are entitled to collect attorney fees as special damages pursuant to NRCP 9(g). See Liu v. Christopher Homes, LLC, 321 P.3d 875 (2014); Sandy Valley Assoc. v. Sky Ranch Estates Owners Ass'n, 117 Nev. 948, 956, 35 P.3d 964, 969 (2001).
- 239. Plaintiffs have incurred attorneys' fees as a "natural and proximate consequence of the injurious conduct" of all named Defendants, with regard to Plaintiffs' Causes of Action as

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pleaded supra. See Liu v. Christopher Homes, LLC, 321 P.3d 875 (2014); Sandy Valley Assoc. v. Sky Ranch Estates Owners Ass'n, 117 Nev. 948, 956, 35 P.3d 964, 969 (2001).

NINETEENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (DECLARATORY RELIEF)

(Against All Defendants)

- 240. Plaintiffs repeat, reallege and incorporate by reference each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs of this First Amended Complaint as though set forth in full.
- 241. A justifiable controversy exists between Plaintiffs each respective Defendants, as named herein, with regard to Plaintiffs rights under the TCS Agreement, JDD Agreement, the MariMed Purchase Agreement, and the Item 9 Membership Purchase Agreement.
- 242. Plaintiffs assert a claim of a legally protected right in contract, and such issue of contractual rights is ripe for judicial determination at this time.
- 243. Plaintiffs assert of a legally protected right in all the personal and real property of Harvest, including, but not limited to, the leasehold estate of Harvest's cultivation facility located at: 3395 Pinks Place, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89102-8407 (APN: 162-17-110-013).
- 244. Plaintiffs ask the Court to determine the parties' relative rights under the contract, and to find that all contractual agreements alleged in the foregoing paragraphs are subject to Plaintiffs claims thereto.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE Plaintiffs pray for judgment in their favor and against Defendants as follows:

- A. For damages and pre- and post-judgment interest in excess of \$15,000.00;
- В. For all equitable, injunctive, and declaratory relief as pleaded herein;
- C. For Plaintiffs' attorney's fees and costs incurred in bringing the action, including attorney's fees as special damages;
- D. For punitive, treble, and other special damages; and

E.	For such other and further relief as this Court may deem appropriate.
	ED this of September, 2020
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MEMBERSHIP INTEREST SALES AGREEMENT

One Membership Interest Sites Agreement ("Agreement"), dated this (22) day of 2015, i) by and between TCS Partners L.L.C. a Nevada Limited Liability company ("I(S" or "Bayer"), and Larry Lemons ("Lemons") and Donald Barton ("Bierton").

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Membership Interest Parchase

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- 2 Ambority to Transfer, Lemons and Burton warram that they have not sold, conveyed, assigned, plesiged or otherwise encumbered the Memborship to mests in Harvest that have been conveyed to TCS and are fully authorized to enter into this agreement.
- 3 Payment TCS shall pay Harvest \$371,250.00 (three himsed an enty-one thousand two handred fifty and pro/100 dollars) for the transfer of 9.01. (time one within percent) of Harvest's Membership Interest to TCS. TCS shall pay this amount via wire manifer or in certified funds upon execution of this Agreement. The Parties where to a member or members of TCS may make the payment on behalf of TCS.
- 4 Restriction on Transfers of Equity in Harvest. The Parties were that there will not be any additional transfer of courty or membership interest in Harvest for a period of (wide ()2) months after the execution of this document as doing so could affer Harvest's lineary to operate pursuent to Nevada law.

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- 5 Ownership Interest in Company, TCS understands and none that the purchase of these Membership Interests provides it an equity interest in Hurves.
- 6. Management. TCS understands and agrees that its purchase of Membership Interests in Harvest will entitle it to a pro-rate share of any distributions of profits made by the Company, and so the right to vote as a Member on matters as provided to the Company's Operating Agreement. TCS understands and agrees that Buston is now and will continue to be a Managing Member and CEO of Harvest and that Lemons is now and will confinue to be a Managing Member and CEO of Harvest.
- 7. Additional Documents. The Parties agree to take any additional actions and to concern any additional documents that may be required by regulatory subscribes to consider contribute with any laws or regulations.
- Revision of Governing Documents. The Perties agree that the Operating Agreement and nil other governing documents for Harvest shall be revised to reflect TCS's partituse of the membership interest described herein and that this Agreement shall be attached as an exhibit thereto.
- Notices Any notice required to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be given
 via pertified mail to the addresses almost below, or to such inher addresses as the Parties may
 hereafter designate in writing:

Donald E. Burton 3395 Pinks Place Las Verna, NV 89102

TCS Partners L.1, F ofeTrevor Schmidt 2359 Villanory Ct Hender on, NV 89074

- 7. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties with respect to the subject manes bereof. This Agreement may not be aftered, amended, expended or otherwise changed except by a written agreement excepted by both Parties.
- 8. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construct in it itrafted equally by botto Parties and shall not be sometimed against either Party. This Agreement shall be governed by the substantive laws of the State of Nevada without regard to any choice of law rules that might inherence apply.

 Dispute Resolution. Any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be resolved in a court of competent jurisdiction in the Nevada State Court system in Clark County, Nevada.

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By: TCS Partners L.L.C.

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MEMBERSHIP INTEREST PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This Membership Interest Purchase Agreement, dated as of August 2, 2019 (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), is entered into by and among (i) MariMed, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Buyer</u>"), (ii) The Harvest Foundation LLC, a Nevada limited liability company (the "<u>Company</u>") and (iii) Donald Burton, Larry Lemons and Jeffrey Yokiel (each, a "<u>Seller</u>," and collectively, the "<u>Sellers</u>"). The Sellers and the Company are sometimes referred to herein as the "<u>Seller Parties</u>," and the Buyer and the Seller Parties are sometimes referred to herein as the "<u>Parties</u>," and each, a "<u>Party</u>."

Recitals

WHEREAS, the Sellers collectively own 100% of the issued and outstanding membership interests of the Company (the "Membership Interests");

WHEREAS, the Company holds (i) a medical cannabis cultivation license, (ii) an adult use cannabis cultivation license and (iii) a cannabis distribution license, each from the State of Nevada, and operates a cannabis cultivation and distribution facility in Clark County, Nevada (the "Business"); and

WHEREAS, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the Sellers have determined to sell, and the Buyer desires to purchase from the Sellers, the Membership Interests, all as more specifically provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, intending to be legally bound, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

Agreement

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the capitalized terms not otherwise defined in the body of this Agreement shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto, which defined terms are incorporated herein by reference.
 - 2. Sale and Purchase of Membership Interests.
- 2.1. <u>Sale and Purchase</u>. Subject to and upon the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement, the Sellers shall sell, transfer, convey, assign and deliver to the Buyer, and the Buyer shall purchase and acquire from the Sellers, good and marketable title to the Membership Interests at the Closing, free and clear of all Encumbrances.
- 2.2. <u>Purchase Price</u>. The aggregate consideration to be paid by the Buyer to the Sellers for the Membership Interests (the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") shall be a number of shares of common stock of the Buyer ("<u>Buyer Common Stock</u>") equal to \$1,200,000 *divided by* the closing stock price of Buyer Common Stock on the last trading day immediately preceding the Closing Date (the "<u>Shares</u>"). The Purchase Price shall be allocated to the Sellers in accordance with the allocation schedule attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> (the "<u>Allocation Schedule</u>"). On the Closing Date, the Buyer shall issue to each Seller such Seller's pro rata portion of the Shares, as set forth on the Allocation

Schedule; *provided*, however, that no fractional shares of Buyer Common Stock shall be issued, and the Shares issuable to each Seller shall be rounded down to the nearest whole share.

- 2.3. Closing. The closing of the sale and purchase of the Membership Interests (the "Closing") shall take place via electronic exchange of signature pages, as promptly as practicable, but in no event later than the second (2nd) business day following the satisfaction or waiver of each of the conditions set forth in Section 6 (other than those conditions that by their terms are to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at Closing), or at such other time and place as the Buyer and the Sellers may agree in writing. The date on which the Closing occurs is the "Closing Date".
- 3. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Seller Parties</u>. The Seller Parties, jointly and severally, hereby represent and warrant to the Buyer as of the date hereof, and at and as of the Closing Date, as follows:
- 3.1. Organization. The Company is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Nevada. The Company has the requisite power and authority to own, lease and operate the properties now owned, leased and operated by it and to carry on its business as currently conducted. The Company is duly qualified to do business as a foreign entity in each jurisdiction in which the nature of its business or the character of its properties makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to do so would not have a Material Adverse Effect on the Company. The Company does not have any subsidiaries or hold any equity securities of any other Person.
- 3.2. <u>Enforceability</u>. This Agreement and each other agreement or instrument executed and delivered by any Seller Party at the Closing (collectively, the "<u>Seller Party Closing Documents</u>") has been duly authorized by all requisite action on the part of such Seller Party. This Agreements constitutes, and the Seller Party Closing Documents will constitute as of the Closing, the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Seller Parties, enforceable against the Seller Parties in accordance with its terms, subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, moratorium, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, or other similar law affecting the enforceability of creditors' rights generally and to the effect of general principles of equity which may limit the availability of remedies (whether in a proceeding at law or in equity) (collectively, the "<u>Enforceability Exceptions</u>").
- acceleration of, or constitute a default or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation or acceleration (with the passage of time, notice or both) under any Contract to which a Seller Party is a party or by which a Seller Party is bound, (c) violate or conflict with any Legal Requirement to which the Company or any of their properties or assets are subject or (d) result in any Encumbrance on any assets of the Company. Without limiting the foregoing, none of the Seller Party which would conflict with the conveyance of the Membership Interests to Buyer. Except for the notices and Consents required under Nevada Cannabis Legal Requirements, no Seller Party is required to give any notice to or obtain any

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Consent from any Person in connection with the Seller Parties' execution and delivery of this Agreement or any of the Seller Party Closing Documents, or the consummation or performance of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

- 3.4. <u>Capitalization</u>. The Sellers own 100% of the issued and outstanding membership interests of the Company, in the amounts set forth on the Allocation Schedule, and no other Person has ever held any equity interest in the Company. The Membership Interests were duly authorized, validly issued, and are fully paid and non-assessable. There are no securities outstanding which are convertible into, exchangeable for, or carrying the right to acquire, equity interests (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity interests) of the Company, or subscriptions, warrants, options, calls, convertible securities, registration or other rights or other arrangements or commitments obligating the Company to issue, transfer or dispose of any of its equity interests or any ownership interest therein and there are no pre-emptive rights in respect of any securities of the Company. There are no outstanding obligations of the Company to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any equity interests.
- 3.5. <u>Title</u>. Each Seller is the lawful owner of, and has good and marketable title to, the Membership Interest set forth opposite such Seller's name on the Allocation Schedule, free any clear of all Encumbrances. None of the Sellers have granted a currently effective power of attorney or proxy to any person with respect to all or any part of the Membership Interests. There are no outstanding options, warrants or other similar rights in respect of the Membership Interests and, except as set forth in this Agreement, none of the Seller Parties is a party to or bound by any agreement, undertaking or commitment to, directly or indirectly, sell, exchange or transfer the Membership Interests. Following the Closing, the Buyer will own 100% of the outstanding membership interests of the Company, free and clear of all Encumbrances.
- 3.6. <u>Legal Proceedings</u>. There is no pending or, to the knowledge of any Seller Party, threatened Proceeding by or against any Seller Party (i) that relates to or may affect the Business or any of the Membership Interests; or (ii) that challenges, or that may have the effect of preventing, delaying, making illegal or otherwise interfering with, the transactions contemplated hereby. There are no Judgments currently outstanding involving or related to the Company (or any of their managers, officers or members in their capacities as such) or affecting the Business or any of the Company's assets.

3.7. Compliance With Legal Requirements; Governmental Authorizations.

- (a) Except with respect to federal Legal Requirements regarding the manufacture, cultivation, possession, use, sale or distribution of cannabis or cannabis products, the Company is in material compliance with all Legal Requirement applicable to the Company. The Company has not received any written notice from a Governmental Body that alleges that it is not in compliance with any Legal Requirement, and the Company has not been subject to any adverse inspection, finding, investigation, penalty assessment, audit or other compliance or enforcement action.
- (b) The Company has all Governmental Authorizations reasonably necessary for the conduct of the Business (the "Company Permits"). All conditions of or restrictions on the Company Permits that may materially affect the ability of the Company to

perform any cannabis related activity authorized by Nevada law, whether or not embodied in such Company Permit, have been disclosed to the Buyer. All of the Company Permits are valid and in full force and effect, and the Company is not in breach or default in any material respect under any Company Permit. No notices have been received by and no claims have been filed against the Company alleging a material violation of any Company Permit and no event has occurred that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to result in the revocation, suspension, termination, lapse or limitation of any Company Permit. Each Seller Party hereby covenants that it shall promptly notify the Buyer of any such notice hereafter given and/or of any such action hereafter threatened or contemplated. All fees and charges with respect to the Company Permits due through the date hereof have been paid in full and will be paid in full through the Closing.

- (c) Neither of the Sellers nor any of the Company's key employees, officers, directors or managers have been subject to a recommendation or determination by any Governmental Body that such Person is not suitable for licensure in connection with a cannabis business in the State of Nevada.
- (d) None of the Seller Parties has, nor, to the knowledge of the Seller Parties have any employees, agents or other representatives of the Company on behalf of the Company, directly or indirectly, made or authorized any payment, contribution or gift of money, property or services, in contravention of applicable Legal Requirement, (1) as a kickback or bribe to any Person or (2) to any political organization, or the holder of or any candidate for any elective or appointive public office, except for personal political contributions not involving the direct or indirect use of funds of the Company.
- To the Seller Parties' knowledge (a) the Company is and has been (e) in compliance with all Environmental Laws; (b) there has been no release or, to the Seller Parties' knowledge, threatened release, of any pollutant, contaminant or toxic or hazardous material, substance or waste or petroleum or any fraction thereof (each a "Hazardous Substance"), on, upon, into or from any site currently or heretofore owned, leased or otherwise used by the Company; (c) there have been no Hazardous Substances generated by the Company that have been disposed of or come to rest at any site that has been included in any published U.S. federal, state or local "superfund" site list or any other similar list of hazardous or toxic waste sites published by any governmental authority in the United States; and (d) there are no underground storage tanks located on, no polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs") or PCB-containing equipment used or stored on, and no hazardous waste as defined by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, stored on, any site owned or operated by the Company, except for the storage of hazardous waste in compliance with Environmental Laws. The Company has made available to the Buyer true and complete copies of all material environmental records, reports, notifications, certificates of need, permits, pending permit applications, correspondence, engineering studies and environmental studies or assessments. None of the Seller Parties have received any written notice regarding any actual or alleged violation of or material liability under Environmental Laws.
- 3.8. <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. No Seller Party has incurred any obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payments in connection with the sale of the Membership Interests or the transactions contemplated hereby.

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3.9. <u>Books and Records</u>. All the books of account and other Records of the Company (including, without limitation, manager and member resolutions, minutes and written consents) have been made available to Buyer.

3.10. Property.

- (a) Owned Property. The property and assets that the Company owns (including, without limitation, the Owned Real Property and the Tangible Personal Property) are (i) free and clear of Encumbrances, and (ii) are in good operating condition and repair (subject to normal wear and tear). The Company has good operating condition and repair (subject to normal wear and tear). The Company has good and insurable fee simple title to all parcels of Owned Real Property. The Company has not granted any lease, license or other agreement granting to any Person any right to use or occupancy of the Owned Real Property or any portion thereof. All Tangible Personal Property used in the Business is in the possession of the Company.
- (b) <u>Leased Property</u>. With respect to the property and assets that the Company leases (including, without limitation, real property that the Company leases, subleases, licenses or otherwise uses or occupies (collectively, the "<u>Leased Real Property</u>," and together with the Owned Real Property, the "<u>Company Real Property</u>")), (i) the Company is in compliance with all agreements related to such property and assets, (ii) the Company holds a valid leasehold interest free of any Encumbrances, other than those of the lessors of such property or assets and (iii) such property and assets are in good operating condition and repair (subject to normal wear and tear). No Person other than the Company has any right to use or occupy the Leased Real Property or any portion thereof. The Company has made available to the Buyer true and correct copies of all leases with respect to the Leased Real Property.
- The Company Real Property is suitable for the conduct of the Business. The Closing will not affect the continued use and possession of the Company Real Property by the Company. Neither the operation of the Business on the Company Real Property nor such Company Real Property, including the improvements thereon, violate in any material respect any applicable building code, zoning requirement or statute relating to such property or operations thereon, and any such non-violation is not dependent on so-called non-conforming use exceptions. To the knowledge of the Seller Parties, there is no existing, pending or threatened (i) condemnation proceedings affecting the Company Real Property, (ii) zoning, building code or other moratorium proceedings, or similar matters which could reasonably be expected to adversely affect the ability to operate the Business on the Company Real Property, or (iii) special assessments or public improvements that may result in special assessments against or otherwise affect the Company Real Property. Neither the whole nor any material portion of the Company Real Property has been damaged or destroyed by fire or other casualty. To the knowledge of the Seller Parties, there are no structural, latent or hidden, defects in the buildings and other structures that are part of the Company Real Property, and there are no restrictive covenants, easements or other written agreements with respect to the Company Real Property, in either case that would materially affect the ability of the Company to operate the Business on the Company Real Property.
- 3.11. <u>Title To Assets; Sufficiency</u>. The Company owns good and marketable title to, or a valid lease or license, as applicable, to all of its assets free and clear of all Encumbrances. The furniture, machinery, equipment, vehicles, goods and other items of Tangible Personal Property of the Company are structurally sound, are in satisfactory operating condition and repair,

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and are adequate for the uses to which they are currently being put, and none of such furniture, machinery, equipment, vehicles, goods and other items of Tangible Personal Property of the Company is in need of maintenance or repairs except for ordinary, routine maintenance and repairs that are not material in nature or cost. The assets of the Company are sufficient for the continued conduct of the Business after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing and constitute all of the rights, property and assets necessary to conduct the Business.

- 3.12. <u>Inventory</u>. All inventory of the Company is and will, whether or not reflected in the Balance Sheet, consist of a quality and quantity useable and saleable in the Ordinary Course of Business consistent with past practice, except for obsolete, damaged or defective items that have been written off or written down to fair market value or for which adequate reserves have been established. All such inventory is owned by the Company free and clear of all Encumbrances, and no inventory is held on a consignment basis. The quantities of each item of inventory (whether raw materials, work-in-process or finished goods) at the Closing will be consistent with the quantities historically held by the Company.
- 3.13. Financial Statements. Complete copies of the financial statements of the Company consisting of (a) the balance sheet (audited if available) of the Company as of December 31, 2018 and the related statements of income, members' equity and cash flow for the year then ended and (b) the unaudited balance sheet of the Company as of June 30, 2019 (the "Balance Sheet") and the related statements of income, members' equity and cash flow for the six (6) months then ended (collectively, the "Financial Statements") have been made available to the Buyer. The Financial Statements are based on the books and records of the Company, and fairly present in all material respects the financial condition of the Company as of the dates they were prepared and the results of the operations of the Company for the periods indicated.
- 3.14. <u>Undisclosed Liabilities</u>. The Company does not have any indebtedness or other Liabilities except for (a) Liabilities specifically reflected on, and fully reserved against in, the Balance Sheet and (b) Liabilities which have arisen since the date of the Balance Sheet in the ordinary course of business and which are, in nature and amount, consistent with those incurred historically and are not material to the Company, individually or in the aggregate.
- 3.15. <u>Company Indebtedness</u>. The Company has disclosed to the Buyer all of the Company's obligations for borrowed money or in respect of loans or advances (whether or not evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments or debt securities) incurred prior to the Closing ("<u>Company Indebtedness</u>"), all of which shall be repaid, discharged or otherwise satisfied at or prior to the Closing. The Company is not a guarantor for any Liability of any other Person.

3.16. <u>Taxes</u>.

(a) The Company has timely filed all Tax Returns that were required to be filed by it, taking into account any valid extensions of time to file such Tax Returns. All such Tax Returns were true, correct and complete in all material respects and have been prepared in compliance with all Legal Requirements. All Taxes owed by the Company (whether or not shown on any Tax Return) have been timely paid. No penalty, interest or other charge is or will become due with respect to the late filing of any such Tax Return or late payment of any such Tax. The

Company is not liable for any Tax of any other Person under Treasury Regulation Section 1.1502-6 (or any similar provision of state, local or foreign law), or as a transferee or successor, by Contract or otherwise.

- (b) The Company (i) has withheld from all payments to employees, customers, independent contractors, creditors, members and any other applicable payees proper and accurate amounts for all taxable periods in compliance with all Tax withholding provisions of applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, (ii) has remitted, or will remit on a timely basis, such amounts to the appropriate taxing authority, and (iii) has furnished or been furnished properly completed exemption certificates for all exempt transactions and has maintained records of such exemption certificates in compliance with all Legal Requirements.
- Governmental Body is presently in progress with respect to any Tax or Tax Return of the Company. Neither the Company nor any member, manager, director or officer of the Company has received (i) notice of commencement of an audit, examination or other proceeding of any nature by a Governmental Body with respect to any Tax or Tax Return of the Company, (ii) a request for information related to any Tax matters of the Company or (iii) the assessment (or proposed assessment) of any additional Taxes against the Company for any period, nor does any Seller Party have any reason to expect any such items to be forthcoming. The Seller Parties have delivered to the Buyer correct and complete copies of all examination reports and statements of deficiencies assessed against or agreed to by the Company or that relate to any tax year or other Tax period for which the applicable limitations period has not expired.
- (d) There are no liens for Taxes upon the assets of the Company, other than liens for Taxes not yet due and payable.
- (e) There are no outstanding agreements or waivers (by operation of law or otherwise) extending the statutory period of limitations applicable to any Tax or Tax Return of the Company for any period.
- agreement (including any Tax indemnity arrangement) pursuant to which it would have any obligation to make payments after the Closing. The Company is not, and it has never been, a member of an affiliated, combined or unitary group for Tax purposes. The Company (i) has not made any payments; (ii) is not obligated to make any payments; and (iii) is not a party to any agreement that could obligate it to make any payments that will not be deductible (in whole or in part) under Sections 162, 280G or 404 of the Code.
- (g) None of the assets of the Company is property that any Seller Party is required to treat as being owned by any other Person pursuant to the so-called "safe harbor lease" provisions of former Section 168(f)(8) of the Code. None of the assets of the Company directly or indirectly secures any debt the interest on which is tax-exempt under Section 103(a) of the Code. None of the assets of the Company is "tax-exempt use property" within the meaning of Section 168(h) of the Code. The Company does not own an interest in any controlled foreign corporation (as defined in Section 957 of the Code), passive foreign investment company (as defined in Section

1297 of the Code) or other entity the income of which is or could be required to be included in the income of the Company.

(h) The Company is, and from the date of its formation has been, classified as either a partnership or a disregarded entity for federal income tax purposes and in each state where the Company does business or is required to file Tax Returns. No election has been made (on IRS Form 8832 or any other form or on any comparable state tax form) to classify the Company as an association taxable as a corporation or any other form of entity other than a partnership or disregarded entity for federal and state income tax purposes. The Company is not, and it has never been, a publicly traded partnership as that term is defined in Section 7704 of the Code.

3.17. Employees; Employee Benefit Plans.

- (a) The Company is not delinquent in payments to any of its employees, consultants or independent contractors for any wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, or other direct compensation for any service performed for it to the date hereof or amounts required to be reimbursed to such employees, consultants and independent contractors. The Company has complied in all material respects with all applicable state and federal equal employment opportunity laws and with other laws related to employment, including those related to wages, hours, worker classification and collective bargaining. The Company has withheld and paid to the appropriate Governmental Body or is holding for payment not yet due to such Governmental Body all amounts required to be withheld from employees of the Company and is not liable for any arrears of wages, taxes, penalties or other sums for failure to comply with any of the foregoing.
- (b) The employment of each employee of the Company is terminable at the will of the Company, and upon termination of the employment of any such employees, no severance or other payments will become due. The Company does not have any policy, practice, plan or program of paying severance pay or any form of severance compensation in connection with the termination of employment or services.
- (c) The Company has made available to the Buyer each employment, bonus, profit sharing, or other employee benefit plan, agreement, policy or arrangement maintained or contributed to, or required to be contributed to, by the Company for the benefit of any officer, employee, former employee, consultant, independent contractor or other service provider of the Company (collectively referred to herein as the "Employee Plans").
- (d) The Company has made all payments and contributions to or with respect to the Employee Plans on a timely basis as required by the terms of each such Employee Plan and any applicable Legal Requirement. The Company has paid and will continue to pay all applicable premiums for any insurance contract which funds an Employee Plan for coverage provided through the Closing.
- (e) The Company has maintained all of its Employee Plans in material compliance with their terms and with all applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code and state laws.
- (f) None of the Company nor any of its affiliates (hereafter referred to as an "ERISA Affiliate") that together with the Company are deemed a "single employer" within

the meaning of Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA, currently maintains any Employee Plan that is subject to Title IV of ERISA, and has not previously maintained any such Employee Plan that has resulted in any material liability or potential material liability to the Company or its ERISA Affiliates under said Title IV.

(g) Neither the Company nor an ERISA Affiliate maintains, maintained or contributed to within the past five (5) years, any multiemployer plan, within the meaning of Section 3(37) or 4001(a)(3) of ERISA. Neither the Company nor an ERISA Affiliate currently has any liability to make withdrawal liability payments to any multiemployer plan.

3.18. Contracts; Customers and Suppliers.

- (a) All of the Contracts to which the Company is a party or by with the Company is bound (the "Company Contracts") are in full force and effect, and constitute legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations against the Company and, to the knowledge of the Seller Parties, any other parties thereto. The Company is not in breach in any material respect under any Company Contract, nor, to the knowledge of the Seller Parties, is any other party to any such Company Contract in breach thereunder.
- (b) No customer, vendor, supplier or service provider has given the Company notice that it intends to terminate or materially alter its business relationship with the Company (whether as a result of the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or otherwise).
- 3.19. <u>Insurance</u>. True and complete copies of all Insurance Policies currently owned or maintained by the Company have been made available to the Buyer. All premiums due to date under such Insurance Policies have been paid and will be paid through the Closing Date, no breach by the Company exists thereunder and no material term of any such policy is void or voidable. The Company has not received any notice of cancellation with respect to any such current Insurance Policy and the Company has no knowledge of any threatened termination of, or premium increase with respect to, any of the Insurance Policies. There are no claims that are pending under any of the Insurance Policies, and no other Person is a named or additional insured under any such Insurance Policies.
- 3.20. <u>Intellectual Property</u>. The Company does not own or license any patents, copyrights, trademarks, tradenames or other intellectual property other than its name.
- 3.21. Related Party Transactions. None of the Company's directors, officers, managers, members (including the Sellers) or employees, or any members of their immediate families, or any Affiliate of the foregoing has, directly or indirectly, (a) borrowed money from or loaned money to the Company which remains unpaid or owed, (b) any interest in any assets owned or used by the Company or (c) engaged in any other material transactions with the Company.

3.22. Securities Laws.

(a) The Buyer intends to issue the Shares pursuant to a "private placement" exemption or exemptions from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and/or Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act and an exemption from qualification

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under applicable state securities laws. The Parties shall comply with all applicable provisions of and rules under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws in connection with the offering and issuance of the Shares pursuant to this Agreement. The Sellers understand that the Shares will be "restricted securities" under federal and state securities laws and cannot be offered or resold except pursuant to registration under the Securities Act or an available exemption from registration.

- (b) Each Seller (i) is an accredited investor as defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act, (ii) is acquiring the Shares only for its own account and not for the account of others, and (iii) is not acquiring the Shares with a view to, or for offer or sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the Securities Act.
- 3.23. <u>Allocation Schedule</u>. The Shares shall be distributed to the Sellers in accordance with the Allocation Schedule. Each of the Sellers irrevocably consents to the allocation of the Shares in accordance with the Allocation Schedule, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Company's governing documents.
- 3.24. <u>Disclosure</u>. No representation or warranty by the Seller Parties in this Agreement and no statement contained in any certificate furnished to the Buyer pursuant to the provisions hereof contains any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements made herein or therein not misleading.
- 4. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Buyer</u>. The Buyer represents and warrants to the Sellers as of the date hereof, and at and as of the Closing Date, as follows:
- 4.1. <u>Organization And Good Standing</u>. The Buyer is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of Delaware, with full power and authority to conduct its business as it is now conducted.
- 4.2. <u>Enforceability</u>. This Agreement and each other agreement or instrument executed and delivered by the Buyer at the Closing (collectively, the "<u>Buyer Closing Documents</u>") has been or will be by the Closing duly authorized by all requisite action on the part of the Buyer. This Agreements constitutes, and the Buyer Closing Documents will constitute as of the Closing, the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Buyer, enforceable against the Buyer in accordance with its terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions.
- 4.3. <u>Brokers Or Finders</u>. Neither the Buyer nor any of its Representatives have incurred any obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 4.4. <u>Legal Proceedings</u>. There is no pending or, to the knowledge of the Buyer, threatened Proceeding by or against the Buyer that challenges, or that may have the effect of preventing, delaying, making illegal or otherwise interfering with, the transactions contemplated hereby.
 - 5. Covenants and Other Agreements.

- 5.1. Conduct of Business by the Seller Parties. From the date hereof through the earlier of consummation of the Closing and any earlier termination of this Agreement, the Company shall, and the Seller Parties shall cause the Company to: (a) conduct its business and operations in the Ordinary Course of Business; (b) preserve intact its existence and business organization; (c) use its commercially reasonable efforts to preserve its assets; (d) pay all applicable Taxes as such Taxes become due and payable; and (e) maintain all licenses and Governmental Authorizations applicable to its operations and business.
- 5.2. Access to Information. From the date hereof through the earlier of consummation of the Closing and any earlier termination of this Agreement, the Seller Parties shall give the Buyer and its Representatives access on reasonable notice during normal business hours to all properties, facilities and offices, and complete and correct copies of all books, Records and Contracts (including customer and supplier Contracts) and such financial and operating data and other information with respect to the Company as such persons may reasonably request. Such review shall be at the Buyer's sole cost and shall be conducted in a fashion that does not unreasonably interfere with the ability of the Company to conduct its day-to-day operations.
- Parties shall promptly notify the Buyer in writing of any events, circumstances, facts and occurrences arising subsequent to the date of this Agreement which would result in a breach of a representation, warranty or covenant of any Seller Party in this Agreement, or which would have the effect of making any representation or warranty of any Seller Party in this Agreement untrue in any material respect, or would be reasonably likely to result in a Material Adverse Effect of the Company. Any disclosure by any Seller Party pursuant to this Section 5.3 shall not be deemed to prevent or cure any misrepresentation, breach of representation or warranty or breach of covenant, or limit the rights of the Buyer under Section 6.3 or Section 7.
- 5.4. Exclusivity. During the Term of this Agreement, each of the Seller Parties agrees, and shall cause its Representatives, not to, directly or indirectly, (i) solicit, facilitate or initiate, or encourage the submission of, proposals, inquires or offers relating to; (ii) respond to any submissions, proposals, inquires or offers relating to; (iii) participate or engage in any negotiations or discussions with any Person relating to; (iv) otherwise cooperate in any way with or facilitate in any way (including, without limitation, by providing information) with any Person, other than the Buyer, relating to; or (v) enter into any agreement or agreement in principle in connection with, any acquisition, merger, business combination, recapitalization, consolidation, liquidation, disposition or similar transaction involving the Company, or any issuance, acquisition, sale or transfer of any securities or any substantial portion of the assets of the Company.
- 5.5. Confidentiality. No Seller Party shall, directly or indirectly, disclose or divulge any information relating to the existence of this Agreement and the documents and instruments contemplated hereby, the terms of this Agreement and the documents and instruments contemplated hereby, the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby or the negotiations hereof and thereof without the consent of the Buyer; provided, however, that such information may be disclosed to such Party's legal, tax, accounting or related financial advisors that have a need to know and that are subject to an obligation of confidentiality to such Party. From and after the Closing, no Seller shall, directly or indirectly, use, disclose or divulge any confidential or

proprietary information of the Company or the Buyer for any purpose without the consent of the Buyer. Following a termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 6.3, (a) the Buyer, shall not, directly or indirectly, use, disclose, or divulge any confidential or proprietary information of the Company for any purpose whatsoever without the consent of the Company, and (b) no Seller Party, shall, directly or indirectly, use, disclose, or divulge any confidential or proprietary information of the Buyer for any purpose whatsoever without the consent of the Buyer.

5.6. Further Assurances. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, each of the Parties hereto shall use commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable to the extent permitted under Legal Requirements to consummate and give effect to the transactions contemplated hereby. Without limiting the foregoing, the Parties shall act promptly, and use their commercially reasonable best efforts, and shall cooperate with each other, in making, or causing to be made, any filings, applications and submissions required under Nevada Cannabis Legal Requirements, in order to permit consummation of the Buyer's acquisition of the Membership Interests. The Seller Parties, on the one hand, and the Buyer on the other hand, shall each be responsible for 50% of the fees required to be paid in connection with such filings, applications and submissions.

5.7. Tax Matters.

- (a) The Sellers shall be responsible for, and shall pay when due, all sales, use, transfer, stamp or similar Taxes and fees (collectively, "<u>Transfer Charges</u>") imposed with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby. The Sellers shall, at their own expense, timely file any Tax Return or other document with respect to such Transfer Charges, and the Buyer shall cooperate with respect thereto, as necessary
- (b) For federal income tax purposes, the Parties shall treat the sale of the Membership Interests pursuant to this Agreement in accordance with IRS Revenue Ruling 99-6, 1999-1 C.B. 432 (situation 2), (i) with respect to each Seller, as a sale of partnership interests, and (ii) with respect to the Buyer, as a purchase of all of the assets of the Company and assumption by the Buyer of all of the Company's liabilities. No Party shall take any position (whether in a Tax Return, an audit or otherwise) that is inconsistent with the foregoing treatment, unless required to do so by applicable Legal Requirements.

6. Conditions to Closing; Termination.

- 6.1. <u>Conditions Precedent to Obligations of the Buyer</u>. The obligation of the Buyer to consummate the purchase of the Membership Interests at the Closing shall be subject to the satisfaction, on or before the Closing Date, of each and every one of the following conditions, any or all of which the Buyer may waive in writing, at its sole and absolute discretion:
- (a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Each of the representations and warranties made by the Seller Parties in this Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date (except those representations and warranties that address matters only as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct in all material respects as of that specified date).

- (b) <u>Covenants</u>. The Seller Parties shall have duly performed in all material respects all of the covenants, acts and undertakings required to be performed by them prior to the Closing under this Agreement.
 - (c) No MAE. There shall have been no Material Adverse Effect.
- (d) <u>No Injunction, Etc.</u> No action, proceeding, investigation, regulation or legislation shall have been instituted before any Governmental Body to enjoin, restrain, prohibit, or obtain damages in respect of, or which is related to, or arises out of, this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (e) <u>Consents and Notices</u>. All consents, approvals and waivers of any Person necessary or desirable to the consummation of the Closing and the transactions contemplated hereunder shall have been obtained and all notices to any Person necessary or desirable to the consummation of the Closing and the transactions contemplated hereunder shall have been delivered. A copy of each such consent, approval, waiver or notice shall have been provided to the Buyer and all such consents, approvals, waivers and notices shall be in a form reasonably acceptable to the Buyer.
- (f) Regulatory Approval. Without limiting the foregoing, all consents, approvals and waivers of any Governmental Body necessary under Nevada Cannabis Legal Requirements in order to permit consummation of the Closing and the transactions contemplated hereunder shall have been obtained, and all notices to any Governmental Body necessary under Nevada Cannabis Legal Requirements in order to permit consummation of the Closing and the transactions contemplated hereunder shall have been delivered. A copy of each such consent, approval, waiver or notice shall have been provided to the Buyer and all such consents, approvals, waivers and notices shall be in a form reasonably acceptable to the Buyer.
- (g) <u>Seller Parties Closing Deliveries</u>. The Seller Parties shall have delivered to the Buyer the following:
- (i) Officer's Certificate. A certificate from an executive officer of the Company, dated as of the Closing Date, certifying that attached thereto are true and correct copies of the Company's certificate of formation and any amendments thereto to date, as well as the resolutions duly adopted by the members and/or managers of the Company authorizing the Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement;
- (ii) Good Standing Certificate. A certificate of good standing for the Company issued by the Secretary of the State of the State of Nevada, dated within ten (10) business days prior to the Closing Date;
- (iii) <u>Compliance Certificate</u>. A certificate from an executive officer of the Company, dated as of the Closing Date, certifying compliance with <u>Sections 6.1(a)</u>, <u>6.1(b)</u> and <u>6.1(c)</u> in a form reasonably acceptable to the Buyer;
- (iv) Resignation Letters. Letters of resignation from each manager and officer of the Company, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Buyer, effective as of the Closing;

- (v) <u>Assignment of Membership Interests</u>. An assignment by the Sellers to the Buyer assigning the Membership Interests to the Buyer on the Closing Date;
- (vi) <u>Withholding Certificates</u>. A completed and duly executed IRS Form W-9 from each Seller, and a certificate from each Seller, in a form reasonably acceptable to the Buyer and in accordance with the Code, in each case dated as of the Closing Date and certifying such facts as to establish that the transactions contemplated hereby are exempt from withholding pursuant to Section 1445 of the Code; and
- (vii) <u>Company Indebtedness</u>. Evidence, reasonably satisfactory to the Buyer, that all Company Indebtedness has been repaid, discharged or otherwise satisfied at or prior to the Closing.
- (viii) Other Agreements. All other agreements, certificates, instruments, or documents reasonably requested by the Buyer in order to fully consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.
- 6.2. <u>Conditions Precedent to Obligations of the Sellers</u>. The obligation of the Sellers to consummate sale of the Membership Interests at the Closing shall be subject to the satisfaction, on or before the Closing Date, of each and every one of the following conditions, any or all of which the Sellers may waive in writing, at their sole and absolute discretion:
- (a) Representations and Warranties. Each of the representations and warranties made by the Buyer in this Agreement as of the Closing Date shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date (except those representations and warranties that address matters only as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct in all material respects as of that specified date).
- (b) <u>Covenants of Buyer</u>. The Buyer shall have duly performed in all material respects all of the covenants, acts and undertakings required to be performed by it prior to the Closing.
- (c) <u>No Injunction, Etc.</u> No action, proceeding, investigation, regulation or legislation shall have been instituted, threatened or proposed before any court, governmental agency or legislative body to enjoin, restrain, prohibit, or obtain substantial damages in respect of, or which is related to or arises out of, this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 6.3. <u>Termination of Agreement</u> The Parties may terminate this Agreement as provided below:
- (a) The Parties may terminate this Agreement by mutual written consent at any time prior to the Closing; and
- (b) If the Buyer is not then in material breach under this Agreement, the Buyer may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to the Seller Parties at any time prior to the Closing in the event any of the Seller Parties has materially breached any of their respective representations, warranties, or covenants contained in this Agreement, provided that Buyer has

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify pursuant to NRAP 25(c), that on the 9th day of August, 2021, I caused service of a true and correct copy of the foregoing **APPENDIX TO PETITIONERS' WRIT OF MANDAMUS** by the following means:

X BY MAIL: I placed a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JDD, LLC; TCS PARTNERS, LLC; JOHN SAUNDERS; and TREVOR SCHMIDT,

Petitioners,

VS.

THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY C. WILLIAMS, EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK,

Respondent,

-andITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs
Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp.; ITEM 9
PROPERTIES, LLC; STRIVE
MANAGEMENT, LLC f/k/a Strive Life;
VIRIDIS GROUP I9 CAPITAL, LLC;
VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC;
SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC; ANDREW
BOWDEN; DOUGLAS BOWDEN; BRYCE
SKALLA; and CHASE HERSCHMAN,

Real Parties in Interest.

Case No.:

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notified the Seller Parties of the breach and the breach has continued without cure for a period of ten (10) business days after the notice of breach.

6.4. <u>Effect of Termination</u>. If this Agreement is terminated prior to the Closing for any reason, all rights and obligations of the Liability of any Party to any other Party except for provisions set forth in <u>Sections 5.5</u>, this <u>Section 6.4</u> and <u>Section 8</u>. No termination of this Agreement shall relieve any Party of liability for its intentional breach or violation of this Agreement.

7. Indemnification.

Parties"), jointly and severally, shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Buyer, its Affiliates and their respective Representatives and successors and permitted assigns, from and against any and all actions, suits, proceedings, claims, demands, debts, liabilities, obligations, losses, diminution in value, damages, costs and expenses (collectively "Adverse Consequences"), arising out of, or in connection with, or caused by, directly or indirectly, any or all of the following: (i) any misrepresentation or breach of any representation or warranty made by the Seller Parties in this Agreement or in any certificate or schedule delivered by the Seller Parties pursuant hereto, (ii) any breach by the Seller Parties to satisfy or perform any covenant, restriction or agreement applicable to the Seller Parties contained in this Agreement or in any certificate or schedule delivered pursuant hereto, (iii) any Liability for Taxes of the Company that are attributable to a taxable period (or portion thereof) ending on or prior to the Closing Date and any Transfer Charges, (iv) the termination of any officer or employee of the Company and (v) Company Indebtedness.

7.2. <u>Matters Involving Third Parties</u>.

- (a) The party or parties seeking indemnification hereunder (each, an "Indemnified Party") shall give the party or parties from whom indemnification is sought or to be sought (each, an "Indemnifying Party") prompt written notice of any Adverse Consequences suffered by, affecting or otherwise directed at it. If an indemnification claim involves a claim by a third party (a "Third Party Claim"), the Indemnified Party shall promptly notify the Indemnifying Party thereof in writing, which notice shall include in reasonable detail a description of the Third Party Claim and copies of all material written evidence thereof and shall indicate the estimated amount, if reasonably practical of such Adverse Consequences, that has been or may be sustained by the Indemnified Party.
- Indemnified Party against the Third Party Claim with counsel of its choice reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party so long as the Indemnifying Party notifies the Indemnified Party in writing within fifteen (15) calendar days of its intention to assume the defense of any Third Party Claim at the Indemnifying Party's expense and by the Indemnifying Party's own counsel, and the Indemnified Party shall cooperate in good faith in such defense. If the Indemnifying Party elects not to compromise or defend such Third Party Claim or fails to promptly notify the Indemnified Party in writing of its election to defend as provided in this Agreement, the Indemnified Party may compromise, defend such Third Party Claim and seek indemnification for any and all Adverse Consequences based upon, arising from or relating to such Third Party Claim. Seller and Buyer

shall cooperate with each other in all reasonable respects in connection with the defense of any Third Party Claim, including making available records relating to such Third Party Claim and furnishing, without expense (other than reimbursement of actual out-of-pocket expenses) to the defending party, management employees of the non-defending party as may be reasonably necessary for the preparation of the defense of such Third Party Claim.

- (c) So long as the Indemnifying Party is conducting the defense of the Third Party Claim in accordance with Section 7.2(b) above, (i) the Indemnified Party may retain separate co-counsel at its sole cost and expense and participate in the defense of the Third Party Claim, (ii) the Indemnified Party will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to the Third Party Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party (not to be unreasonably withheld) and (iii) the Indemnifying Party will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to the Third Party Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party (not to be unreasonably withheld).
- 7.3. Survival. The representations and warranties made by the Seller Parties and the Buyer herein or in any certificate or schedule delivered pursuant hereto or thereto on the Closing Date, shall survive the Closing and continue in full force and effect for a period of eighteen (18) months from and after the Closing Date, provided, however, the representations and warranties set forth in Sections 3.1, 3.2, 3.4 and 3.5 shall survive indefinitely, and the representations and warranties set forth in Sections 3.7(e) and 3.16 shall survive until sixty (60) days after expiration of all applicable statutory limitation periods. Upon expiration of the representation and warranty limitation periods set forth herein, such representations and warranties shall cease to be of any further force or effect. No such expiration shall affect the rights of a Party hereto in respect of a claim made by such Party in writing received by another Party prior to the expiration of any such period until finally resolved.

8. <u>Miscellaneous</u>.

- 8.1. Expenses. Each Party shall pay all of the costs and expenses (including, without limitation, legal fees and expenses) incurred by it in negotiating and preparing this Agreement (and all other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents executed in connection herewith) and in consummating the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 8.2. Notices. All notices and other communications given or made pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed effectively given upon the earlier of actual receipt, or (a) personal delivery to the Party to be notified, (b) when sent, if sent by electronic mail during normal business hours of the recipient, and if not sent during normal business hours, then on the recipient's next business day, (c) three (3) days after having been sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or (d) one (1) business day after deposit with a nationally recognized overnight courier, freight prepaid, specifying next business day delivery, with written verification of receipt. All communications shall be sent to the Parties at the addresses as set forth on the signature pages hereto, or to such e-mail address or address as subsequently modified by written notice given in accordance with this Section 8.2.
- 8.3. Entire Understanding; Amendments. This Agreement, together with the exhibits and schedules hereto, and the other documents, certificates, agreements and other

instruments delivered in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, states the entire understanding among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior oral and written communications and agreements with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall not be amended or modified except in a written document signed by all Parties.

- Agreement shall bind, benefit, and be enforceable by the Parties hereto and their respective successors, legal representatives and assigns, heirs, executors, administrators and personal representatives. No Party hereto may assign this Agreement or its obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of all other Parties hereto. No waiver with respect to this Agreement shall be enforceable unless in writing and signed by the Party against whom enforcement of such waiver is sought. No failure to exercise, delay in exercising or single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy by any Party, and no course of dealing between or among any of the Parties, shall constitute a waiver of, or shall preclude any other or further exercise of, the same or any other right, power or remedy. Except as may be expressly set forth in this Agreement, nothing herein will be construed to give any Person other than the Parties to this Agreement any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or with respect to this Agreement or any provision of this Agreement.
- 8.5. <u>Further Assurances</u>. At any time and from time to time after the Closing Date, at the request of a Party and without further consideration, the other Parties shall promptly execute and deliver all such further agreements, certificates, instruments and documents and perform such further actions as such Party may reasonably request, in order to fully consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement.
- 8.6. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is construed to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, then the remaining provisions hereof shall not be affected thereby and shall be enforceable without regard thereto, and the Parties agree that this Agreement shall be reformed to replace such unenforceable provisions with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intent of the unenforceable provision.
- 8.7. <u>Counterparts; Electronic Signatures</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two (2) or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Counterparts may be delivered via facsimile, electronic mail (including pdf or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, *e.g.*, www.docusign.com) or other transmission method and any counterpart so delivered shall be deemed to have been duly and validly delivered and be valid and effective for all purposes.
- 8.8. Governing Law; Exclusive Jurisdiction. This Agreement and the respective rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement shall be governed by, and shall be determined under, the internal laws of the State of Nevada without regard to choice of law principles.
- 8.9. Specific Enforcement; Remedies. The Parties agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached. It is accordingly agreed that the Parties shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement and

to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement, in addition to any other remedy to which they are entitled at law or in equity. Any and all remedies herein expressly conferred upon a Party will be deemed cumulative with and not exclusive of any other remedy conferred hereby, or by law or equity upon such Party, and the exercise by a Party of any one remedy will not preclude the exercise of any other remedy.

8.10. <u>Interpretation</u>. In this Agreement, unless a clear contrary intention appears: (a) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (b) reference to any Person includes such Person's successors and assigns but, if applicable, only if such successors and assigns are not prohibited by this Agreement, and reference to a Person in a particular capacity excludes such Person in any other capacity or individually; (c) reference to any gender includes each other gender; (d) reference to any agreement, document or instrument means such agreement, document or instrument as amended or modified and in effect from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof; (e) reference to any "Legal Requirement" means such Legal Requirement as amended, modified, codified, replaced or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, including rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and reference to any section or other provision of any Legal Requirement means that provision of such Legal Requirement from time to time in effect and constituting the substantive amendment, modification, codification, replacement or reenactment of such section or other provision; (f) "hereunder," "hereof," "hereto," and words of similar import shall be deemed references to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other provision hereof; (g) "including" (and with correlative meaning "include") means including without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; (h) references to documents, instruments or agreements shall be deemed to refer as well to all addenda, exhibits, schedules or amendments thereto; and (i) references to articles, sections, schedules and exhibits means articles and sections of, and schedules and exhibits attached to, this Agreement. This Agreement shall be construed without regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the Party drafting an instrument or causing any instrument to be drafted. The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed as of the date set forth above. **COMPANY:** The Harvest Foundation LLC By:_ Name: Title Address: 3395 Pinks Place Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 E-mail: **SELLERS:** Donald Burton Address: E-mail: Larry Lemons Address: E-mail: Jeffrey Yokiel Address: E-mail:

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BUYER:

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By: ____ Name:

Title

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EXHIBIT A

DEFINITIONS

For purposes of the Agreement, the following terms and variations thereof have the meanings specified or referred to in this Exhibit A:

- "Adverse Consequences" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.
- "Affiliate" of a specified Person means each other Person who directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the specified Person.
 - "Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.
 - "Allocation Schedule" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.
 - "Buyer" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.
 - "Buyer Closing Documents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.
 - "Closing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.
 - "Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.
 - "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
 - "Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the background to this Agreement.
 - "Consent" means any approval, consent, ratification, waiver or other authorization.
- "Contract" means any agreement, contract, lease, consensual obligation, promise or undertaking (whether written or oral).
 - "Employee Plans" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.17(c).
- "Encumbrance" means any charge, claim, community or other marital property interest, condition, equitable interest, lien, option, pledge, security interest, mortgage deed of trust, right of way, easement, encroachment, servitude, right of first option, right of first or last negotiation or refusal or similar restriction, including any restriction on use, voting (in the case of any security or equity interest), transfer, receipt of income or exercise of any other attribute of ownership.
 - "Enforceability Exceptions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.
- "Environmental Laws" means any Legal Requirement relating to (a) releases or threatened release of Hazardous Substances; (b) pollution or protection of employee health or safety, public health or the environment; or (c) the manufacture, handling, transport, use, treatment, storage, or disposal of Hazardous Substances.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and any United States Department of Labor Regulations thereunder.

"Governmental Authorization" means any Consent, license, registration, approval, exemption, notification, franchise, certificate, authorization, bond or permit issued, granted, given or otherwise made available by or under the authority of any Governmental Body or pursuant to any Legal Requirement.

"Governmental Body" means any: (a) nation, state, county, city, town, borough, village, district or other jurisdiction; (b) federal, state, local, municipal, foreign or other government; (c) governmental or quasi-governmental authority of any nature (including any agency, branch, department, board, commission, court, tribunal or other entity exercising governmental or quasi-governmental powers); (d) multinational organization or body; (e) body exercising, or entitled or purporting to exercise, any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, police, regulatory or taxing authority or power; or (f) official of any of the foregoing.

"Indemnified Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(a).

"Indemnifying Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(a).

"Insurance Policy" means any public comprehensive, property damage, vehicle, life, compensation, key man, fidelity bond, theft, forgery, errors and omissions, directors' and officers' liability, or other insurance policy of any nature.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service and, to the extent relevant, the United States Department of the Treasury.

"Judgment" means any order, writ, injunction, citation, award, decree, ruling, assessment or other judgment of any Governmental Body or arbitrator.

"<u>Legal Requirement</u>" means any federal, state, local, municipal, foreign, international, multinational or other constitution, law, ordinance, principle of common law, code, regulation, guideline, standard, order, Governmental Authorization, statute or treaty.

"<u>Liability</u>" means with respect to any Person, any liability or obligation of such Person of any kind, character or description, whether known or unknown, absolute or contingent, accrued or unaccrued, disputed or undisputed, liquidated or unliquidated, secured or unsecured, joint or several, due or to become due, vested or unvested, executory, determined, determinable or otherwise, and whether or not the same is required to be accrued on the financial statements of such Person.

"Material Adverse Effect" means any change or effect that is materially adverse to the business, assets, liabilities, financial condition, prospects or results of operations of the Company taken as a whole.

"Membership Interests" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Nevada Cannabis Legal Requirements" means Legal Requirements regarding the cultivation, manufacture, possession, use, sale or distribution of cannabis or cannabis products promulgated by state and local Governmental Bodies in the State of Nevada.

"Ordinary Course of Business" means the ordinary course of business of the Company consistent with the past practices of the Company or taken in the ordinary course of the normal, day-to-day operations of the Company.

"Owned Real Property" means all land, together with all buildings, structures, improvements, and fixtures located thereon, and all easements, servitudes and other interests and rights appurtenant thereto, owned by the Company.

"Person" means any individual, sole proprietorship, joint venture, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, cooperative, trust, estate, Governmental Body, administrative agency, regulatory authority, or other entity of any nature whatsoever.

"Proceeding" means any action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, litigation or suit (whether civil, criminal, administrative, judicial or investigative, whether formal or informal, whether public or private) commenced, brought, conducted or heard by or before, or otherwise involving, any Governmental Body or arbitrator.

"Purchase Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.

"Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

"Regulations" means the income tax regulations promulgated under the Code.

"Representative" means with respect to a particular Person, any director, officer, manager, employee, agent, consultant, advisor, accountant, financial advisor, legal counsel or other representative of that Person.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Seller Indemnifying Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.

"Seller Party" or "Seller Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Seller Party Closing Documents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"Sellers" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Tangible Personal Property" shall mean all furniture, fixtures, leasehold improvements, production equipment, office equipment, accessories, parts, supplies, materials, vehicles, computer hardware, data processing equipment and other equipment owned by the Company and all other tangible personal property of every kind owned or leased by the Company and all related warranties and similar rights.

"Taxx" or "Taxes" means (a) mean any and all federal, state, local and foreign (whether imposed by a country or political subdivision or authority thereunder) taxes, assessments and other governmental charges, duties, impositions and liabilities relating to taxes, including, without limitation, any federal, state, local or foreign income, earnings, profits, gross receipts, franchise, capital stock, net worth, sales, use, value added, ad valorem, profits, occupancy, general property, real property, personal property, intangible property, transfer, stamp, premium, custom, duty, escheat, environmental, fuel, excise, license, lease, service, service use, recapture, parking, employment, occupation, severance, payroll, withholding, unemployment compensation, social security, retirement, imputed underpayment or other tax, fiscal levy or charge of any nature; (b) any foreign, federal, state or local organization fee, qualification fee, annual report fee, filing fee, occupation fee, assessment, other fee or charge of any nature imposed by a Governmental Body or other authority; or (c) any deficiency, interest, penalty or addition imposed with respect to any of the foregoing and any obligations under any agreements or arrangements with any other Person with respect to such amounts, and including any liability for taxes of a predecessor entity.

"Tax Return" means (a) all returns and reports, amended returns, information returns, statements, declarations, estimates, schedules, notices, notifications, forms, elections, certificates or other documents filed or required to be filed or submitted to any Governmental Body or any Person with respect to the determination, assessment, collection or payment of any Tax or in connection with the administration, implementation or enforcement of, or compliance with, any Tax, and (b) TD F 90-22.1 (and its successor form, FinCEN Form 114), including any amendment thereto.

"Term" means the period from the date of this Agreement through the consummation of the Closing or earlier termination of this Agreement pursuant to its terms.

"Third Party Claim" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(a).

"Transfer Charges" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.7(a).

"Treasury Regulation" means a final, temporary or proposed regulation issued by the United States Department of the Treasury and/or the IRS under the Code.

EXHIBIT B

ALLOCATION SCHEDULE

Name of Seller	Membership Interest in Company	Pro Rata Portion of Purchase Price
Donald Burton	34.5%	34.5%
Larry Lemon	34.5%	34.5%
Jeffrey Yokiel	31%	31%

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CASE NO.: A-20-811232-B DEPT. NO .: 16

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS ITEM 9 LABS CORP., ITEM 9 PROPERTIES, LLC, STRIVE MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., VIRIDIS GROUP 19 CAPITAL, LLC, VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, ANDREW BOWDEN, DOUGLAS BOWDEN. BRYCE SKALLA, JEFFREY

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RASSAS, AND CHASE
HERSCHMAN'S MOTION TO
DISMISS FIRST AMENDED
COMPLAINT FOR FAILURE TO
STATE A CLAIM UPON WHICH
RELIEF MAY BE GRANTED AND
LACK OF PERSONAL
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Defendants.

On December 18, 2020, Defendants Item 9 Labs Corp., Item 9 Properties, LLC, Strive Management, L.L.C., Viridis Group I9 Capital, LLC, Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman (collectively, the "Item 9 Defendants") filed a Motion to Dismiss First Amended Complaint for Failure to State a Claim Upon Which Relief May be Granted and Lack of Personal Jurisdiction (the "Motion"). On January 26, 2021, Plaintiffs filed an Opposition to Defendants' Motion (the "Opposition").

In their Opposition, Plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed without prejudice (1) all claims against Defendants Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Jeffrey Russas, Bryce Skalla, and Chase Herschman (the "Individual Defendants"), and (2) Count 12 (alter ego), Count 14 (intentional interference with contractual relations), Count 15 (intentional interference with

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prospective economic advantage), Count 16 (equitable relief), and Count 17 (attorneys' fees as special damages) against each of the Item 9 Defendants.

A hearing on the Motion was heard on February 24, 2021, by the Honorable Timothy C. Williams. Lauren Elliott Stine of the law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP and Karl L. Nielson of the law firm of Smith Larsen & Wixom appeared on behalf of the Item 9 Defendants. Lee I. Iglody appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs JDD, LLC, TCS Partners, LLC, John Saunders, and Trevor Schmidt. After review and consideration of the written pleadings, arguments of counsel and all relevant statutory and case law, and good cause appearing:

The COURT ORDERS the Motion GRANTED.

The Court FINDS Plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed without prejudice (1) all claims against the Individual Defendants, and (2) Count 12 (alter ego), Count 14 (intentional interference with contractual relations), Count 15 (intentional interference with prospective economic advantage), Count 16 (equitable relief), and Count 17 (attorneys' fees as special damages) against each of the Item 9 Defendants.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that to "obtain jurisdiction over a non-resident defendant, a plaintiff must show; (1) that the requirements of the state's long-arm statute [NRS 14.065] have been satisfied, and (2) that due process is not offended by the exercise of jurisdiction." Trump v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Ex rel. Clark County, 109 Nev. 687, 698 (1993); Catholic Diocese, Green Bay v. John Doe 119, 131 Nev. 246, 249 (2015).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that courts may exercise general jurisdiction where a defendant's "affiliations with the State are so 'continuous and systematic' as to render them essentially at home in the forum State." See Viega GmbII v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Ct., 130 Nev. 368, 376 (2014) (quoting Goodyear Dunlop Tires Ops., S.A. v. Brown, 564 U.S. 915, 919

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(2011)); Arbella, 122 Nev. at 513; Budget Rent-A-Car v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 108 Nev. 483, 485 (1992). For a corporate entity, general jurisdiction typically exists in the corporation's place of incorporation or principal place of business. See Viega GmbH, 130 Nev. at 376-77.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that "[s]pecific personal jurisdiction arises when the defendant purposefully enters the forum's market or establishes contacts in the forum and affirmatively directs conduct there, and the claims arise from that purposeful contact or conduct." Viega GmbH, 130 Nev. at 375 (emphasis added); Dogra v. Liles, 129 Nev. 932, 937 (2013). To establish specific personal jurisdiction over a non-resident defendant, the plaintiff must demonstrate that: (1) "the defendant must purposefully avail himself of the privilege of acting in the forum state or of causing important consequences in that state"; (2) "[t]he cause of action must arise from the consequences in the forum state of the defendant's activities"; and (3) "those activities, or the consequences thereof, must have a substantial enough connection with the forum state to make the exercise of jurisdiction over the defendant reasonable," Consipio Holding, BV v. Carlberg, 128 Nev. 454, 458 (App. 2012) (quotation omitted).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege any facts that would demonstrate that Defendants Viridis Group 19 Capital, LLC and Viridis Group Holdings, LLC (the "Non-Resident Defendants") are subject to general or specific personal jurisdiction in Nevada.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that the Non-Resident Defendants are Arizona limited liability companies with Arizona members that are located and doing business in Arizona (Viridis Group 19 Capital, LLC and Viridis Group Holdings, LLC).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that the Declarations submitted by the Non-Resident Defendants with their Motion demonstrated that the Non-Resident Defendants do not own A

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property in the State of Nevada, do not pay taxes in the State of Nevada, and do not have W-2 employees living or working within the State of Nevada.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that "[w]hen a defendant challenges the personal jurisdiction of the Nevada courts, the plaintiff must introduce competent evidence of essential facts establishing a prima facie showing of jurisdiction." Levinson v. Second Judicial Dist. Court of State, 103 Nev. 404 (1987) (emphasis added). "In determining whether a prima facie showing has been made, the district court is not acting as a fact finder. It accepts properly supported proffers of evidence by a plaintiff as true. However, the plaintiff must introduce some evidence and may not simply rely on the allegations of the complaint to establish personal jurisdiction." Trump v, Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 109 Nev. 687, 693 (1993) (internal quotations and citations omitted).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs failed to introduce any evidence of facts essential to establishing a prima facie showing of general or specific personal jurisdiction, and Plaintiffs failed to meet their burden of demonstrating that the Non-Resident Defendants are subject to general or specific personal jurisdiction in the state of Nevada.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that the Court does not have general or specific personal jurisdiction over the Non-Resident Defendants.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that a complaint should be dismissed if it fails "to state a claim upon which relief can be granted." NRCP 12(b)(5). While this court construes the complaint liberally, the allegations therein must still be "sufficiently definite to give fair notice of the nature and basis or grounds of the claim and a general indication of the type of litigation involved." Taylor v. State of Nevada, 73 Nev. 151, 152 (1957). A plaintiff must still show

"facts which support a legal theory." See Liston v. LVMPD, 111 Nev. 1575, 1578 (1995);

Julmson v. Travelers Ins. Co., 89 Nev. 467, 472, 515 P.2d 68, 71 (1973).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that it is Plaintiffs' duty to present well-pleaded facts on which grounds for relief can be sought against a defendant, and a court need not assume as true any facts which require unreasonable inferences or unwarranted deductions. A pleading must contain: "...a short and plain statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief." NRCP Rule 8(a).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to support any of the claims Plaintiffs have asserted against the Item 9 Defendants. Plaintiffs do not allege that they are parties to contracts with any of the Item 9 Defendants.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to demonstrate that Plaintiffs conferred a benefit on the Item 9 Defendants and that the Item 9 Defendants unjustly retained such benefit. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for unjust enrichment (Count 2).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to demonstrate that the Item 9 Defendants entered into an agreement to accomplish an unlawful objective and for the purpose of harming Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for civil conspiracy (Count 11).

The Court **FURTHER FINDS** that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to demonstrate that the Item 9 Defendants knowingly participated in or assisted

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a breach of a fiduciary duty. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for aiding and abetting a breach of fiduciary duty (Count 13).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to plead a justiciable controversy with the Item 9 Defendants. Plaintiffs do not allege that they were parties to an agreement with the Item 9 Defendants. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for declaratory judgment (Count 19).

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed each of their claims against Defendants Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Jeffrey Rassas, Bryce Skalla, and Chase Herschman.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed Count 12 (alter ego), Count 14 (intentional interference with contractual relations). Count 15 (intentional interference with prospective economic advantage). Count 16 (equitable relief), and Count 17 (attorneys' fees as special damages) against each of the Item 9 Defendants.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Non-Resident Defendants' Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction is GRANTED.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED, that the Item 9 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss the First Amended Complaint for Failure to State a Claim Upon Which Relief May be Granted is GRANTED.

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CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

JDD, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company: TCS Partners, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; JOHN SÁUNDERS, an individual; and TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual,

Plaintiffs,

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MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs Corp., and Crown Dynamics Corp., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 PROPERTIES LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; THE HARVEST FOUNDATION LLC f/k/a, a Nevada

CASE NO .: A-20-811232-B DEPT. NO.: 16

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS ITEM 9 LABS CORP., ITEM 9 PROPERTIES, LLC, STRIVE MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., VIRIDIS GROUP 19 CAPITAL, LLC, VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, ANDREW BOWDEN, DOUGLAS BOWDEN, BRYCE SKALLA, JEFFREY

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RASSAS, AND CHASE HERSCHMAN'S MOTION TO DISMISS FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR FAILURE TO STATE A CLAIM UPON WHICH RELIEF MAY BE GRANTED AND LACK OF PERSONAL JURISDICTION 1

Defendants.

On December 18, 2020, Defendants Item 9 Labs Corp., Item 9 Properties, LLC, Strive Management, L.L.C., Viridis Group 19 Capital, LLC, Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman (collectively, the "Item 9 Defendants") filed a Motion to Dismiss First Amended Complaint for Failure to State a Claim Upon Which Relief May be Granted and Lack of Personal Jurisdiction (the "Motion"). On January 26, 2021, Plaintiff's filed an Opposition to Defendants' Motion (the 'Opposition'').

In their Opposition, Plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed without prejudice (1) all claims against Defendants Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Jeffrey Rassas, Bryce Skalla, and Chase Herschman (the "Individual Defendants"), and (2) Count 12 (alter ego), Count 14 (intentional interference with contractual relations), Count 15 (intentional interference with

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prospective economic advantage), Count 16 (equitable relief), and Count 17 (attorneys' fees as special damages) against each of the Item 9 Defendants.

A bearing on the Motion was heard on February 24, 2021, by the Honorable Timothy C. Williams, Lauren Elliott Stine of the law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP and Karl L. Nielson of the law firm of Smith Larsen & Wixom appeared on behalf of the Item 9 Defendants. Lee I. Iglody appeared on behalf of Plaintiffs JDD, LLC, TCS Partners, LLC, John Saunders, and Trevor Schmidt. After review and consideration of the written pleadings, arguments of counsel and all relevant statutory and case law, and good cause appearing:

The COURT ORDERS the Motion GRANTED.

The Court FINDS Plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed without prejudice (1) all claims against the Individual Defendants, and (2) Count 12 (alter ego), Count 14 (intentional interference with contractual relations). Count 15 (intentional interference with prospective economic advantage), Count 16 (equitable relief), and Count 17 (attorneys' fees as special damages) against each of the Item 9 Defendants.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that to "obtain jurisdiction over a non-resident defendant, a plaintiff must show: (1) that the requirements of the state's long-arm statute [NRS 14,065] have been satisfied, and (2) that due process is not offended by the exercise of jurisdiction." Trump v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Ex rel. Clark County, 109 Nev. 687, 698 (1993); Culholic Diocese, Green Bay v. John Doc 119, 131 Nev. 246, 249 (2015).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that courts may exercise general jurisdiction where a defendant's "affiliations with the State are so 'continuous and systematic' as to render them essentially at home in the forum State." See Viega GmbH v. Eighth Jud. Dist. Ct., 130 Nev. 368, 376 (2014) (quoting Goodyear Dunlop Tires Ops., S.A. v. Brown, 564 U.S. 915, 919

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(2011)); Arhella, 122 Nev. at 513; Budget Rent-A-Car v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 108 Nev. 483, 485 (1992). For a corporate entity, general jurisdiction typically exists in the corporation's place of incorporation or principal place of business. See Viega GmbH, 130 Nev. at 376-77.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that "[s]pecific personal jurisdiction arises when the 5 defendant purposefully enters the forum's market or establishes contacts in the forum and affirmatively directs conduct there, and the claims arise from that purposeful contact or conduct." Viega GmbH, 130 Nev. at 375 (emphasis udded); Dogra v. Liles, 129 Nev. 932, 937 (2013) To establish specific personal jurisdiction over a non-resident defendant, the plaintiff must demonstrate that: (1) "the defendant must purposefully avail himself of the privilege of acting in the forum state or of causing important consequences in that state"; (2) "[t]he cause of action must arise from the consequences in the forum state of the defendant's activities"; and (3) "those activities, or the consequences thereof, must have a substantial enough connection with the forum state to make the exercise of jurisdiction over the defendant reasonable." Consipio Holding, BV v. Carlberg, 128 Nev. 454, 458 (App. 2012) (quotation omitted).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege any facts that would demonstrate that Defendants Viridis Group 19 Capital, LLC and Viridis Group Holdings, LLC (the "Non-Resident Defendants") are subject to general or specific personal jurisdiction in Nevada.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that the Non-Resident Defendants are Arizona limited liability companies with Arizona members that are located and doing business in Arizona (Viridis Group I9 Capital, LLC and Viridis Group Holdings, LLC).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that the Declarations submitted by the Non-Resident Defendants with their Motion demonstrated that the Non-Resident Defendants do not own

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property in the State of Nevada, do not pay taxes in the State of Nevada, and do not have W-2 employees living or working within the State of Nevada.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that "[w]hen a defendant challenges the personal jurisdiction of the Nevada courts, the plaintiff must introduce competent evidence of essential facts establishing a prima facie showing of jurisdiction." Levinson v. Second Judicial Dist. Court of State, 103 Nev. 404 (1987) (emphasis added). "In determining whether a prima facie showing has been made, the district court is not acting as a fact finder. It accepts properly supported proffers of evidence by a plaintiff as true. However, the plaintiff must introduce some evidence and may not simply rely on the allegations of the complaint to establish personal jurisdiction." Trump v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 109 Nev. 687, 693 (1993) (internal quotations and citations omitted).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiff's failed to introduce any evidence of facts essential to establishing a prima facie showing of general or specific personal jurisdiction, and Plaintiffs failed to meet their burden of demonstrating that the Non-Resident Defendants are subject to general or specific personal jurisdiction in the state of Nevada.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that the Court does not have general or specific personal jurisdiction over the Non-Resident Defendants.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that a complaint should be dismissed if it fails "to state a claim upon which relief can be granted." NRCP 12(b)(5). While this court construes the complaint liberally, the allegations therein must still be "sufficiently definite to give fair notice of the nature and basis or grounds of the claim and a general indication of the type of litigation involved." Taylor v. State of Nevada, 73 Nev. 151, 152 (1957). A plaintiff must still show

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"facts which support a legal theory," See Liston v. LVMPD, 111 Nev. 1575, 1578 (1995); Johnson v. Travelers Ins. Co., 89 Nev. 467, 472, 515 P.2d 68, 71 (1973).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that it is Plaintiffs' duty to present well-pleaded facts on which grounds for relief can be sought against a defendant, and a court need not assume as true any facts which require unreasonable inferences or unwarranted deductions. A pleading must contain; "...a short and plain statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief," NRCP Rule 8(a).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to support any of the claims Plaintiffs have asserted against the Item 9 Defendants. Plaintiffs do not allege that they are parties to contracts with any of the Item 9 Defendants.

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to demonstrate that Plaintiffs conferred a benefit on the Item 9 Defendants and that the Item 9 Defendants unjustly retained such benefit. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for unjust enrichment (Count 2).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to demonstrate that the Item 9 Defendants entered into an agreement to accomplish an unlawful objective and for the purpose of harming Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for civil conspiracy (Count 11).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to allege facts sufficient to demonstrate that the Item 9 Defendants knowingly participated in or assisted

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a breach of a fiduciary duty. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for aiding and abetting a breach of fiduciary duty (Count 13).

The Court FURTHER FINDS that Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint fails to plead a justiciable controversy with the Item 9 Defendants. Plaintiffs do not allege that they were parties to an agreement with the Item 9 Defendants. Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint therefore fails to plead facts sufficient to support a claim for declaratory judgment (Count 19),

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed each of their claims against Defendants Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Jeffrey Rassas, Bryce Skalla, and Chase Herschman.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed Count 12 (alter ego). Count 14 (intentional interference with contractual relations), Count 15 (intentional interference with prospective economic advantage), Count 16 (equitable relief), and Count 17 (attorneys' fees as special damages) against each of the Item 9 Defendants

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Non-Resident Defendants' Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction is GRANTED.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED, that the Item 9
Defendants Motion to Dismiss the First Amended Complaint for Failure to State a Claim Upon
Which Rehef May be Granted is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Plaintiffs' First 2 Amended Complaint as to the Item 9 Defendants is DISMISSED without prejudice. 3 IT IS SO ORDERED. 4 Dated this day of April, 2021 3 Dated this 12th day of April, 2021 6 7 DISTRICT JUDGE 8 889 223 BE87 A91E 9 Timothy C. Williams Respectfully Submitted By: District Court Judge 10 /s/ Karl L. Nielson 11 Michael B. Wixom, Esq. Nevada Bar No. 2812 12 Karl L. Nielson, Esq. A T O R N E Y S HILLS CENTER BUSINESS PARK 1935 VILLAGE CENTER CIRCLE LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89134 (702) 252-5002 · (702) 222-5006 Nevada bar No. 5082 13 SMITH LARSEN & WIXOM 14 Hills Center Business Park 1935 Village Center Circle 15 Las Vegas, Nevada 89134 Tel: (702) 252-5002 16 Fax: (702) 252-5006 17 Email: mbw@slwlaw.com kln@slwlaw.com 18 Quarles & Brady LLP 19 Renaissance One 20 Two North Central Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85004-2391 21 TELEPHONE 602-229-5200 Lauren Elliott Stine (#025083) (admitted Pro Hac Vice) 22 Lauren.Stine@quarles.com Christian G. Stahl (#029984) (admitted Pro Hac Vice) 23 Christian Stahl@quarles.com 24 Attorneys for Defendants Item 9 Labs Corp., Item 9 Properties, LLC, Strive Management, L.L.C., Viridis Group 19 Capital, LLC. 25 Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, 25 Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman 27 28

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MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a

Defendants.

Delaware corporation, et al.,

Case No. A-20-811232-B

Dept. No. 16

DEFENDANT SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC'S REPLY IN **SUPPORT TO MOTION FOR** ATTORNEYS' FEES

I. Plaintiffs' only basis for naming Snowell in this lawsuit is that Defendant Larry Lemons is the sole member and manager of the Ohio entity.

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Plaintiffs' Opposition confirms that Snowell's inclusion in this lawsuit has no factual support (i.e., was brought without reasonable ground) and was apparently maintained only to harass Defendant Lemons:

> Here, Plaintiffs had reasonable grounds to name Snowell, an entity that has as its sole member and manager the very man who defrauded them, Larry Lemons. Absent discovery, Plaintiffs should not be penalized for the current inability to substantiate Snowell's

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involvement without detailed specificity. (Pl.'s Oppo., 7:20-24).

How can Plaintiffs reasonably contend that Snowell should not be allowed to recover its fees while simultaneously admitting they cannot substantiate Snowell's involvement in this lawsuit? The stated intent of N.R.S. 18.010(2)(b) is to award attorney's fees to "punish and deter" such unsubstantiated claims.

Though Plaintiffs conclude that they had reasonable grounds to name Snowell, the **only** basis articulated to this Court is that Defendant Lemons is the sole member and manager of Snowell. (Pl.'s Oppo., 7:20-24).

Plaintiffs argue they had reasonable ground because they "reasonably believed and alleged that Snowell was part of Defendant Lemons's web of deceit." (Pl.'s Oppo., 7:24-25). But the inquiry for reasonableness of Plaintiffs' claims is based on actual facts, not Plaintiffs' unsupported allegations. *Bergmann v. Boyce*, 856 P.2d 560, 563 (Nev. 1993) (superseded by statute on other grounds); *see also Frederic & Barbara Rosenberg Living Tr. v. MacDonald Highlands Realty, LLC*, 427 P.3d 104, 113 (Nev. 2018) ("[A] claim is frivolous or groundless if there is no credible evidence to support it.").

Moreover, Plaintiffs were informed about the absence of contacts between Snowell and Nevada, and they initially agreed to dismiss Snowell from the case. But Plaintiffs reneged on their agreement, willfully ignoring the facts presented to them. N.R.S. 18.010(2)(b) was enacted to punish such unsupported claims. Accordingly, Snowell should be awarded its attorney's fees.

II. Plaintiffs failed to timely request discovery on the issue of personal jurisdiction, and they similarly failed to object to the declaration of Larry Lemons.

Plaintiffs' failure to either timely seek discovery on the issue of personal jurisdiction or to properly contest the declaration of Larry Lemons is not a valid reason to preclude Snowell from recovering attorney's fees. This Court should not be persuaded by Plaintiffs' attempt to pass off its own failures with how they handled Snowell's Motion to Dismiss as a

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basis for precluding Snowell's recovery of attorney's fees.

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III. Snowell is a prevailing party.

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A defendant need not prevail on the merits to be a "prevailing party." CRST Van Expedited, Inc. v. E.E.O.C., 136 S. Ct. 1642, 1651 (2016); see also Sunlight Tr. v. Hsieh *Ying-Man*, 453 P.3d 398, 2019 WL 6840117, at *1 (Nev. 2019) (unpublished opinion) (citing and approving CRST Van Expedited, Inc.).

Rather, a party prevails "if it succeeds on any significant issue in litigation which achieves some of the benefit it sought in bringing suit." Valley Elec. Ass'n v. Overfield, 106 P.3d 1198, 1200 (Nev. 2005) (emphasis added); see also Affinity Network Inc. v. Schreck, 129 Nev. 1093, 2013 WL 7155071, at *3 (Nev. 2013) (unpublished opinion) (acknowledging that attorney's fees may be awarded under N.R.S. 18.010(b)(2) following dismissal for lack of personal jurisdiction but affirming the district court's refusal to award fees). This standard is construed broadly to include defendants. *Id.*; see also Pilse v. Schwartzer, 469 P.3d 194, 2020 WL 4905447, at *2 (Nev. App. 2020) (unpublished opinion) (awarding attorney's fees under N.R.S. 18.010(2)(b) following dismissal without prejudice).

Further, Nevada courts exercise considerable discretion in determining prevailing party status and give effect to legislative intent when awarding fees. See Sunlight Tr, 2019 WL 6840117, at *1; *Pilse*, WL 4905447, at *2 (interpreting prevailing party status broadly); see also Smith v. Crown Fin. Servs. of Am., 890 P.2d 769, 771 (Nev. 1995) (interpreting N.R.S. 18.010 based heavily on legislative intent).

Here, Snowell obtained dismissal for lack of personal jurisdiction. Accordingly, Snowell succeeded on a significant issue in the case and achieved the benefit that it sought. See Affinity Network Inc., 2013 WL 7155071, at *3; Pilse, 2020 WL 4905447, at *2. Importantly, the legislative intent behind N.R.S. 18.010(b)(2) heavily favors an award of attorney's fees in this case. The statutory text plainly states that the legislature intended

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courts to award attorney's fees "in all appropriate situations to punish for and deter frivolous or vexatious claims...." *Id.*

As discussed, Plaintiffs had no factual or evidentiary support for Snowell's inclusion in the lawsuit. Plaintiffs have all but admitted this, arguing (without basis) for forgiveness from consequence. (*See* Pl.'s Oppo., p. 7). Snowell's attorney's fees should be awarded under N.R.S. 18.010(b)(2).

IV. Conclusion

It should be noted that Plaintiffs do not dispute the reasonableness of the amount of attorney's fees sought by Snowell, which totals \$19,145.00. Plaintiffs have repeatedly admitted they have no factual basis to support personal jurisdiction over Snowell. They nonetheless named Snowell in the lawsuit and opposed its motion to dismiss. This is exactly the type of claim that N.R.S. 18.010(2)(b) was enacted to deter. Snowell should be awarded \$19,145.00 in attorney's fees.

DATED: April 22nd 2021.

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On this 22nd day of April, 2021, pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2 and Rule 9 of the NEFCR, I caused the foregoing **DEFENDANT SNOWELL HOLDINGS**, **LLC'S REPLY IN SUPPORT TO MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES DISMISS** to be transmitted to the person(s) identified in the E-Service List for this captioned case in Odyssey E-File & Serve of the Eighth Judicial District Court, County of Clark, State of Nevada. A service transmission report reported service as complete and a copy of the service transmission report will be maintained with the document(s) in this office.

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JDD, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; TCS Partners, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; JOHN SAUNDERS, an individual; and TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

and Chase Herschman

MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 PROPERTIES

CASE NO.: A-20-811232-C

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DEFENDANTS ITEM 9 LABS CORP., VIRIDIS GROUP 19 CAPITAL LLC, VIRIDIS GROUP **HOLDINGS, LLC, ANDREW** BOWDEN, DOUGLAS BOWDEN, **BRYCE SKALLA, JEFFREY** RASSAS, AND CHASE HERSCHMAN'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS

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Defendants.

HEARING DATE REQUESTED

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS") 18.010(2)(b), Defendants Item 9 Labs Corp., Viridis Group I9 Capital LLC, Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman (collectively, the "Item 9 Defendants") move the Court for an award of the attorneys' fees and costs it incurred in its successful defense of the claims filed against them by Plaintiffs JDD, LLC, TCS Partners, LLC, John Saunders, and Trevor Schmidt (collectively, "Plaintiffs"). This Motion is supported by the following Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the Declaration of Lauren

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Elliott Stine attached hereto as Exhibit "1", and the entire record in this action.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 4th day of May, 2021.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION.

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The Item 9 Defendants are entities involved in the medical marijuana business, entities that own or develop property, entities that invest in real estate and sustainable projects, and multiple individuals who serve as members, officers, independent contractors, and/or directors of one or more of the foregoing entities.

The Item 9 Defendants do not have any contracts or business dealings with Plaintiffs. The Item 9 Defendants do not have any interest in the cannabis licenses or businesses that are the subject of the lawsuit. In fact, the Item 9 Defendants were not even aware of Plaintiffs or their respective entities prior to this lawsuit.

Nevertheless, on September 9, 2020, Plaintiffs filed a 240-paragraph First Amended Complaint (the "FAC") that leveled eight (8) claims against the ten (10) Item 9 Defendants, ranging from conspiracy to aiding and abetting breaches of fiduciary duty. Plaintiffs' claims stemmed from the notion that Plaintiffs and one or more of the Item 9 Defendants happened by chance to enter into separate transactions with Defendants Lemons and Burton.

The Item 9 Defendants moved to dismiss the FAC (the "Motion to Dismiss) on December 18, 2020. The Court held that Plaintiffs had failed to state viable claims against the Item 9 Defendants, and the Court lacked personal jurisdiction over the claims against various members of the Item 9 Defendants. The Court granted the Item 9 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, and the final dismissal order was served on April 13, 2021 (the "Dismissal Order").

The Item 9 Defendants should not have been forced to incur the time and expense of preparing, filing, and arguing the Motion to Dismiss in the first place. Via letter dated November 10, 2020 (the "November 10 Letter") – weeks before the Motion to Dismiss was filed – Arizona counsel for the Item 9 Defendants contacted counsel for Plaintiffs (then, the Albright Stoddard firm) and requested that Plaintiffs dismiss their claims against the Item 9 Defendants. The Item 9 Defendants told Plaintiffs that their claims were unsubstantiated and initiated for an improper purpose.

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Indeed, as described in the Item 9 Defendants November 10, 2020 letter attached as Exhibit C to the Declaration of Lauren Stine, Plaintiffs (through an individual claiming to be their agent) threatened, harassed, and intimidated the Item 9 Defendants (and in at least one instance, their families) in an effort to enlist their assistance in the lawsuit or, barring that, to extract payment from them. After the Item 9 Defendants refused to engage with Plaintiffs' agent, Plaintiffs filed the FAC.

After receiving the November 10 Letter detailing the lack of facts, improper purpose, and harassment, Plaintiffs agreed to dismiss their claims against the Item 9 Defendants (except Strive Management) without prejudice. Plaintiffs later revoked that agreement without any explanation or alteration of the facts alleged in the FAC, and forced the Item 9 Defendants to incur unnecessary time and expense in securing the Dismissal Order. Indeed, the Motion to Dismiss addressed each of the eight (8) claims pled against the ten (10) Item 9 Defendants, and included a (successful) challenge to personal jurisdiction, which required evidentiary support in the form of Declarations from the Defendants. Tellingly, Plaintiffs voluntarily dismissed all of their claims against the five (5) individual Item 9 Defendants and four (4) of its claims against the remaining Item 9 Defendants in their opposition papers.

Put simply, the FAC was designed to bully the Item 9 Defendants, and it lacked a legitimate good faith basis from the outset. The Court should award the Item 9 Defendants their attorneys' fees and costs they have incurred in connection with this matter, pursuant to N.R.S. § 18.010. *Id.* (stating that the "court shall liberally construe the provisions of this paragraph in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations").

COURT SHOULD AWARD THE ITEM 9 DEFENDANTS THEIR II. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS.

A. The FAC was Groundless and Designed to Harass.

Pursuant to N.R.S. 018.010(2)(b), the Court may award attorneys' fees and costs if it determines that the claims were "brought or maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party". Id. "The Court shall liberally construe" this statute "in favor of awarding

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attorney's fees in all appropriate situations". Id. Here, the FAC was both filed "without reasonable ground" and designed to "harass" the Item 9 Defendants.

First, a complaint is groundless when it contains allegations that are not supported by credible evidence. That is precisely the case here. As demonstrated in the Item 9 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, which is incorporated by reference, and Defendants' November 10 Letter, Plaintiffs did not have a credible basis to assert claims against the Item 9 Defendants.

The claims against the Item 9 Defendants were predicated solely on the assertion that Plaintiffs and some of the Item 9 Defendants may have entered into agreements with the same individuals. The FAC generally alleged Plaintiffs entered into agreements with Defendants Lemons and Burtons regarding Defendant Harvest Foundation, which holds marijuana cultivation licenses in Nevada. The FAC alleged that one or more of the Item 9 Defendants entered into separate agreements with Defendants Lemons and Burton regarding different marijuana dispensary (not cultivation) licenses in Nevada. The FAC alleged that these separate agreements (between one or more of the Item 9 Defendants, Lemons, Burtons, etc.) somehow violate rights or interests Plaintiffs claim to have in their separate agreements relating to the Harvest Foundation and its cultivation license.

However, the FAC did not dispute that the Item 9 Defendants do not have any contracts or business dealings with Plaintiffs. The Item 9 Defendants were not even aware of Plaintiffs or their respective entities prior to this lawsuit. That is precisely why Plaintiffs initially agreed to dismiss each of the claims against the Item 9 Defendants without prejudice in November 2020, only to later inexplicably revoke their agreement to dismiss days later.

Second, the FAC was designed to harass the Item 9 Defendants. As is evident from the November 10 Letter, an individual claiming to be an agent for Plaintiffs threatened and harassed the Item 9 Defendants prior to filing the FAC. Here are a few examples of the communications that this individual sent to the Item 9 Defendants, which are detailed in the November 10 Letter:

> "Mssrs. [sic] Bowden, Mr. Miller and Mr. Rassas I was hired to come in with a nuclear arsenal and blow up Item 9 Labs and these scammers you entered into

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- "You all are either a friend or foe in that regard. I am reaching out to you for help to take the lead to get my guys' money back before a nuclear winter drops on Item 9 for engaging in clear fraud, interference with contract, interference with economic advantage, etc. etc. etc. blah blah blah you know the deal."
- "I am the fixer. I never stop until the client is paid in full or parties are in jail. ...
 I am the fixer and here to help you help yourself to get my guys their money back."
- "The only path I am aligned on currently is the path to 100% complete success getting my guys their money back. Anyone not helping in that regard will be roadkill in my rear review mirror."
- "I have amended out [sic] complaint and will be filing it tomorrow and promise this is the lease [sic] of your worries. I reached out to Bryce and crew as a one time [sic] courtesy which I always do before launching my nukes."

There can be no legitimate dispute that the FAC was filed for an improper purpose and was a transparent attempt to harass the Item 9 Defendants, some of whom are simply investors in totally separate business transactions or employees of Item 9 or its affiliates. The Item 9 Defendants shared this information and the harassing communications with Plaintiffs' counsel. Despite initially agreeing to dismiss their claims, Plaintiffs reneged with no explanation.

B. The Attorneys' Fees and Costs Incurred are Reasonable.

The reasonableness of the fees requested are evaluated under the *Brunzell* factors. "Under *Brunzell*, when courts determine the appropriate fee to award in civil cases, they must consider various factors, including the qualities of the advocate, the character and difficulty of the work performed, the work actually performed by the attorney, and the result obtained." *Petra Drilling and Basting, Inc. v. US Mine Corp.*, 468 P.3d 885, *3 (Nev. App. 2020). Each of these factors weighs in favor of an award.

<u>The Qualities of the Advocates</u>. As set forth in the Stine Declaration, the Item 9 Defendants are represented by Lauren Elliott Stine, Christian Stahl, Karl Nielson, and Lukas Landolt.

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Lauren Stine is a 2006 graduate of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. She is a partner at Quarles & Brady, LLP, and the chair of the firm's Commercial Litigation group for the Phoenix office. Ms. Stine previously served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable W. Scott Bales (ret.) of the Arizona Supreme Court. Ms. Stine's role in this matter consisted of determining the overall strategy, directing, reviewing and contributing to work product of the other attorneys involved, arguing motions, and communicating with opposing counsel and the Item 9 Defendants. Ms. Stine's hourly rate of \$475.00 per hour is reasonable in light of her skill, ability, training, education, and experience.

Christian Stahl is a 2006 graduate of the Chicago-Kent College of Law. Mr. Stahl is a partner at Quarles & Brady, LLP's Intellectual Property Litigation group in its Chicago office. Mr. Stahl's role in this matter consisted of contributing to case strategy, drafting and revising work product, assisting in preparation for arguments, and communicating with opposing counsel. Mr. Stahl's knowledge of Item 9's work and relationships with the other defendants was valuable to the defense of this matter. Mr. Stahl's hourly rate during the firm's representation of the Item 9 Defendants was \$535.00 per hour and is reasonable in light of his skill, ability, training, education, and experience.

Karl Nielson is a 1993 graduate of the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University. He is Of Counsel with Smith Larsen & Wixom in Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. Nielson has 28 years of litigation experience and as local counsel for this matter contributed to all facets of the successful defense thereof. Mr. Nielson's hourly rate of \$300 per hour is reasonable in light of his skill and, education and experience.

Lukas Landolt is a 2018 graduate of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. He is an associate in the Commercial Litigation group in the Phoenix office of Quarles & Brady, LLP. Mr. Landolt previously served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable John Lopez IV of the Arizona Supreme Court. Mr. Landolt's role in this matter consisted of contributing to the research, analysis, strategy, and drafting necessary to support the various motions filed in this matter. Mr. Landolt's hourly rate of \$305.00 is reasonable in

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light of his skill, ability, training, education, and experience.

The Character and Difficulty of the Work Performed. The Item 9 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss required analysis of the 240 paragraph FAC, and 8 claims asserted against the 10 Item 9 Defendants. Further, the Motion to Dismiss required investigation into a half dozen other defendants and the facts related to each to determine the Item 9 Defendants' alleged role in the meandering FAC. The Motion to Dismiss also required analysis of general and specific personal jurisdiction, and the preparation of substantive Declarations from various Defendants to support their jurisdictional challenges. As demonstrated by the Dismissal Order, the FAC had no merit. Plaintiffs completely failed in their burden of establishing personal jurisdiction over several defendants, and did not even bother to submit evidence to rebut the lack of jurisdiction. And in recognition of the strength of the Motion to Dismiss, Plaintiffs agreed in their opposition papers to dismiss *half* of their claims – all claims against each of the five (5) individual Item 9 Defendants and four (4) of claims against the remaining Item 9 Defendants. Notably, Plaintiffs had the information to make this decision weeks prior to the Item 9 Defendants' Motion to Dismiss filing, but stubbornly charged ahead and forced the Item 9 Defendants to research, draft, and file its full motion against all claims.

The Work Performed. The Stine Declaration provides a detailed and itemized statement of the tasks and attorneys' fees charged and costs incurred by Quarles & Brady and Smith Larsen & Wixom in this matter that were reasonably necessary in prosecuting and defending the claims in this action. Those fees, which the Item 9 Defendants seek, total \$77,878.50 and the costs total \$2,106.33.

The Result Obtained. After the Motion to Dismiss was filed, Plaintiffs dismissed the claims against each of the individual Item 9 Defendants and half of its substantive claims in their opposing papers. The Court granted the Motion to Dismiss and dismissed the FAC for lack of personal jurisdiction (Viridis) and failure to state a claim on the remaining claims at the February 24, 2021 hearing.

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III. <u>CONCLUSION.</u>

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For the foregoing reasons, the Item 9 Defendants respectfully requests that the Court grant the Motion and award them their attorneys' fees and cost incurred in connection with this action.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on May 3, 2021 a true copy of the foregoing **Defendants**Item 9 Labs Corp., Viridis Group I9 Capital LLC, Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew

Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman's Motion

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17	Bowden, Douglas Bowden; Bryce Skalla Jeffrey Ras					
	and Chase Herschman					
18	DISTRICT CO	OURT				
19	CLARK COUNTY,	NEVADA				
20	CLARK COUNTY,					
21	JDD, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company;	CASE NO.: A-20-811232-C				
22	TCS Partners, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; JOHN SAUNDERS, an individual; and	DEPT. NO.: 26				
	TREVOR SCHMIDT, an individual,	DECLARATION OF LAUREN				
23	TH. : .: CC	ELLIOTT STINE IN SUPPORT OF				
24	Plaintiffs, vs.	DEFENDANTS ITEM 9 LABS CORP., VIRIDIS GROUP 19				
25		CAPITAL LLC, VIRIDIS GROUP				
26	MARIMED INC. f/k/a Worlds Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a	HOLDINGS, LLC, ANDREW BOWDEN, DOUGLAS BOWDEN,				
27	Airware Labs Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp., a	BRYCE SKALLA, JEFFREY				
	Delaware corporation; ITEM 9 PROPERTIES	RASSAS, AND CHASE				
28	LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; THE	HERSCHMAN'S MOTION FOR				

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limited liability company a/k/a THE HARVEST FOUNDATION, LLC; STRIVE MANAGEMENT L.L.C. d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company; STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA, LLC d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company; STRIVE WELLNESS OF NEVADA 2 L.L.C. d/b/a Strive Life, a Nevada limited liability company; VIRIDIS GROUP 19 CAPITAL, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC. an Ohio limited liability company; ROBERT FIREMAN, an individual; JON LEVINE, an individual; ANDREW BOWDEN, an individual; DOUGLAS BOWDEN, an individual; BRYCE SKALLA, an individual; JEFFREY RASSAS, an individual; DONALD BURTON, an individual; LARRY LEMONS, an individual; JEFFREY YOKIEL, an individual; JEROME YOKIEL, an individual; SARA GULLICKSON, an individual; CHASE HERSCHMAN, an individual; DOE INDIVIDUALS I through X, and ROE BUSINESS ENTITIES XI through XX, inclusive,

HARVEST FOUNDATION LLC f/k/a, a Nevada

ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS

Defendants.

LAUREN ELLIOTT STINE hereby declares as follows:

- 1. My name is Lauren Elliott Stine. I am a partner at the law firm of Quarles & Brady, LLP, and I am lead counsel for Defendants Item 9 Labs Corp., Viridis Group I9 Capital LLC, Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman (collectively, the "Item 9 Defendants"). I am over eighteen years old, and am competent to testify. This Declaration is based on my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am a 2006 graduate of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. I am a partner at Quarles & Brady, LLP, and the chair of the firm's Commercial Litigation group for the Phoenix office. I previously served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable W. Scott Bales (ret.) of the Arizona Supreme Court. My hourly rate during

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4 product of the other attorneys involved, arguing motions, and communicating with opposing 5 counsel and the Item 9 Defendants. The Item 9 Defendants have been billed, and have agreed to pay for, work performed by me and the attorneys identified below. In particular, the Item 8 9 Defendants have been billed or will be billed, and have agreed to pay, \$37,905.00 for work that I performed. 10 3. Christian Stahl is a 2006 graduate of the Chicago-Kent College of Law. Mr. 11 12 13

Stahl is a partner at Quarles & Brady, LLP's Intellectual Property Litigation group in its Chicago office. Mr. Stahl's hourly rate during the firm's representation of the Item 9 Defendants was \$535.00 per hour which is reasonable in light of his skill, ability, training, education, and experience. Mr. Stahl's role in this matter consisted of contributing to case strategy, drafting and revising work product, assisting in preparation for arguments, and communicating with opposing counsel. Mr. Stahl's knowledge of Item 9's work and relationships with the other defendants was valuable to the defense of this matter. The Item 9 Defendants have been billed or will be billed, and have agreed to pay, \$16,692.00 for work that Mr. Stahl performed.

the firm's representation of the Item 9 Defendants was \$475.00 per hour which is reasonable

in light of my skill, ability, training, education, and experience. My role in this matter

consisted of determining the overall strategy, directing, reviewing and contributing to work

4. Lukas Landolt is a 2018 graduate of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. He is an associate in the Commercial Litigation group in the Phoenix office of Quarles & Brady, LLP. Mr. Landolt previously served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable John Lopez IV of the Arizona Supreme Court. Mr. Landolt's hourly rate during the firm's representation of the Item 9 Defendants was \$305.00 per hour which is 1

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reasonable in light of his skill, ability, training, education, and experience. Mr. Landolt's role in this matter consisted of contributing to the research, analysis, strategy, and drafting necessary to support the various motions filed in this matter. The Item 9 Defendants have been billed or will be billed, and have agreed to pay, \$9,607.50 for work that Mr. Landolt performed.

- 5. Karl Nielson is a 1993 graduate of the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University. He is Of Counsel with Smith Larsen & Wixom in Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. Nielson has 28 years of litigation experience and as local counsel for this matter contributed to all facets of the successful defense thereof. Mr. Nielson's hourly rate of \$300 per hour is reasonable in light of his skill, education, and experience. The Item 9 Defendants have been billed or will be billed, and have agreed to pay, \$15,443.56 for work that Mr. Nielson performed.
- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is an itemized statement of attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Quarles & Brady in this matter that were reasonably necessary in prosecuting and defending the claims in this action. Those fees total \$64,204.50 and the costs total \$336.77.
- 7. The detailed descriptions in Exhibit "A" include the date of the task(s), the name of the person who performed each task, the amount of time expended measured in tenths of hours, the amount of charges for the time involved, and a brief description of the work performed.
- 8. Exhibit "A" was generated from invoices based on individual time data compiled by the attorneys and paralegals. Consistent with firm practice and policy, the individuals keep track of their time as the work is performed. The time data is then entered

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into the firm's accounting system, which generates billing statements. Costs are submitted to accounting when they have been incurred and are included in the billing statements. The billing statements are sent to the client, reflecting the work performed, the charges, and the costs. Remittances are sent to Quarles & Brady in response to the billing statements. These practices and procedures are standard at Quarles & Brady and in the Phoenix, Arizona legal market and are within Quarles & Brady's normal business operations.

- 9. The entries in Exhibit "A" were taken from Quarles & Brady's invoices. All the work performed by the attorneys at Quarles & Brady on behalf of the Item 9 Defendants was justified. I am generally familiar with the hourly rates charged by attorneys at comparable law firms, and the hourly rates listed in Exhibit "A" are comparable to the rates charged by lawyers of comparable experience at comparable law firms. Exhibit "A" has been edited to prevent disclosure of work product and attorney-client privileged information.
- 10. The amount of legal fees and costs set forth in Exhibit "A" are \$64,204.50 and \$336.77, respectively. This is a reasonable sum, based upon the claims at issue in this case, the quality of the law firm and the attorneys performing the legal work for the Item 9 Defendants, the character and difficulty of the work to be done, and the work actually performed by Quarles & Brady on behalf of the Item 9 Defendants.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is an itemized statement of attorneys' fees and 11. costs incurred by Smith Larsen & Wixom in this matter that were reasonably necessary in prosecuting and defending the claims in this action. Those fees total \$13,674 and the costs total \$1,769.56.
- The detailed descriptions in Exhibit "B" include the date of the task(s), the 12. name of the person who performed each task, the amount of time expended measured in tenths

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of hours, the amount of charges for the time involved, and a brief description of the work performed.

13. Exhibit "B" was generated from invoices based on individual time data compiled by the attorneys and paralegals. Consistent with firm practice and policy, the individuals keep track of their time as the work is performed. The time data is then entered into the firm's accounting system, which generates billing statements. Costs are submitted to accounting when they have been incurred and are included in the billing statements. The billing statements are sent to the client, reflecting the work performed, the charges, and the costs. Remittances are sent to Smith Larsen & Wixom in response to the billing statements. These practices and procedures are standard at Smith Larsen & Wixom and in the Las Vegas, Nevada legal market and are within Smith Larsen & Wixom's normal business operations.

- 14. The entries in Exhibit "B" were taken from Smith Larsen & Wixom's invoices. All the work performed by the attorneys at Smith Larsen & Wixom on behalf of the Item 9 Defendants was justified. I am generally familiar with the hourly rates charged by attorneys at comparable law firms, and the hourly rates listed in Exhibit "B" are comparable to the rates charged by lawyers of comparable experience at comparable law firms. Exhibit "B" has been edited to prevent disclosure of work product and attorney-client privileged information.
- 15. The amount of legal fees and costs set forth in Exhibit "B" are \$13,674 and \$1,769.56, respectively. This is a reasonable sum, based upon the claims at issue in this case, the quality of the law firm and the attorneys performing the legal work for the Item 9 Defendants, the character and difficulty of the work to be done, and the work actually performed by Smith Larsen & Wixom on behalf of the Item 9 Defendants.
 - 16. In addition, I estimate that Quarles & Brady will generate approximately

A T T O R N E Y S HILLS CENTER BUSINESS PARK 1935 VILLAGE CENTER CIRCLE LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89134 (702) 252-5002 · (702) 252-5006 \$5,000.00 in additional fees in connection with the preparation of its Application for Attorneys' Fees and accompanying documents, as well as Plaintiff's Reply in support thereof.

17. A true and correct copy of the November 10, 2020 letter I sent to plaintiff's counsel, Mr. Hayden Smith at Albright, Stoddard, Warnick & Albright is attached as Exhibit "C".

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

DATED this $\frac{4}{1}$ day of May, 2021.

LAUREN ELLIOTT STINE

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SUMMARY OF FEES BY PERSON

ATTORNEY/PARALEGAL	<u>TITLE</u>	HOURS	RATE/HR	DOLLARS
Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	31.50	\$305.00	\$9,607.50
Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	31.20	\$535.00	\$16,692.00
Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	79.80	\$475.00	\$37,905.00
TOTAL:		142.50		\$64,204.50

ITEMIZED CHRONOLOGY OF FEES

Date	ATTY/PARA.	Title	Hours	Amount	Description
10/06/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.40	\$190.00	Communications with C.Stahl regarding NV action and [REDACTED].
10/07/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.50	\$802.50	Consider Nevada Complaint (0.6); consider same in relation to various agreements with co-defendants (0.5); consider service dates and next steps (0.1); discussion with L. Landolt on [REDACT] (0.2); follow up with L. Stine regarding same (0.1).
10/09/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	2.30	\$701.50	Review and analyze allegations in complaint and draft summary of the same (1.7); research available information re [REDACT] (.6).
10/12/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.70	\$374.50	Consideration of select portions of complaint, facts regarding [REDACT], and next steps.
10/13/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	1.80	\$549.00	Conference call and strategy regarding complaint (.5); review and obtain SEC documents cited in complaint (.3); research jurisdictional issues (1.0).
10/13/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	3.30	\$1,567.50	Evaluate claims and motions (2.0); strategy calls with QB team (.9); call with I9 and related follow up (.4).
10/14/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	1.70	\$518.50	Research and analyze Nevada case law and statutes regarding [REDACTED] (.5); research and analyze same regarding [REDACTED] of claims against client (1.2).
10/15/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	2.50	\$762.50	Review and analyze Nevada and relevant federal case law regarding [REDACTED] of claims against clients (1.8); draft summary of legal findings and conclusions (.7).
10/21/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.20	\$570.00	Review and evaluate arguments for motion to dismiss (1.0); communications with local counsel (.2).
10/22/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.80	\$963.00	Prepare for and participate in discussion with local counsel regarding [REDACTED] (1.2); consider motions, facts, and arguments (0.3); discuss same with L. Stine (0.3).
10/22/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	2.80	\$1,330.00	Prepare for and participate in call with NV local counsel and related follow up tasks for NV litigation (2.4); review Brandt letter to Plaintiffs' counsel and related communications (.4).
10/23/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	2.60	\$1,235.00	Review filings, call with A.Bowden re: same and follow up analysis re: litigation
10/27/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.50	\$237.50	Call with A.Bowden (.1); evaluate Harvest Foundation allegations and related due diligence (.4).
10/28/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.70	\$332.50	Communications with local counsel (.1); due diligence re: Harvest Foundation allegations (.6).
10/29/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.60	\$321.00	Consider Harvest Foundation allegations (0.2); discuss same with L. Stine and consider

					arguments for potential motion to dismiss and strategy for same (0.4).
10/29/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.20	\$570.00	Strategy roll same (0.4). Strategy call with C.Stahl and related follow up (.8); call with Chase re: litigation plan (.4).
11/02/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.00	\$475.00	Revise letter to plaintiffs.
11/03/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.70		Prepare for and participate in discussion with Item 9 client team and L. Stine regarding [REDACTED].
11/03/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	3.40	\$1,615.00	Communications with clients regarding next steps (.8); work on letter to Plaintiffs (2.0); communications among counsel (.6).
11/05/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.70	\$332.50	Email to counsel regarding extension and related follow up (.2); review and revise acceptance of service document (.3); review client documents (.2).
11/06/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.00	\$535.00	Review and consider B. Roche's e-mail to defendants and attachments related to codefendants (0.4); review and revise letter to opposing counsel regarding impropriety of lawsuit and dismissal of same (0.4); correspond with L. Stine on [REDACTED] (0.2).
11/06/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.60	\$285.00	Review additional client emails re: [REDACTED] and revise letter (.4); emails with Plaintiffs' counsel (.2).
11/09/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.70	\$909.50	Consider strategy in upcoming teleconference with H. Smith, counsel for plaintiffs (0.3); discuss same with L. Stine (0.2); review draft letter to H. Smith and attachments to same (0.2); prepare for and participate in teleconference with H. Smith to clarify facts and request dismissal (0.7); review and revise draft letter to H. Smith (0.3)
11/09/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.00	\$475.00	Prepare for and participate in call with Plaintiffs' counsel and related follow up work on demands.
11/10/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Review final letter to JDD's counsel requesting dismissal because of mistaken facts and harassment and correspond with L. Stine regarding same.
11/10/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.60	\$285.00	Finalize JDD demand letter and related follow up.
11/16/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Communications with counsel re: dismissal and meet/confer.
11/17/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Consider plaintiff's proposed dismissal and potential motion practice to dismiss same.
11/17/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.30	\$617.50	Call with plaintiffs' counsel re: dismissal and related follow up calls with clients and Q&B.
11/18/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Review and evaluate message from counsel re: strive management.
11/19/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	0.20	\$61.00	Strategy regarding motion to dismiss and necessary research to support.
11/19/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.9	\$481.50	Consider offer from plaintiffs re: dismissal of Strive Management (0.2); discuss [REDACTED] with L. Stine and potential next steps (0.7).

11/19/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.00	\$475.00	Communications with Plaintiffs' counsel re: Strive Management (.1); strategy discussions with C.Stahl (.7); review proposed stipulation re: dismissal and related follow up (.2).
11/20/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Review and evaluate revised stipulation (.2).
11/25/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Communications with local counsel re: extensions (.2).
11/30/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.10	\$53.50	Consider stipulation inquiry raised by plaintiffs counsel.
11/30/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Emails with counsel re: stipulation.
12/01/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.80	\$428.00	Prepare for and speak with K. Nielsen regarding [REDACTED]
12/01/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.20	\$570.00	Call with local counsel and planning for motions (.8); review and edit proposed stipulation (.2); communications with local counsel re: same (.2).
12/02/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	0.40	\$122.00	Strategy regarding motion to dismiss.
12/02/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.90	\$427.50	Evaluate and work on research for moitons.
12/03/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	1.70	\$518.50	Research and analyze Nevada case law regarding [REDACTED] (1.3); draft summary of findings and legal conclusions (.4).
12/03/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Discussion with L. Stine regarding motion to dismiss argument on [REDACTED]
12/03/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.00	\$475.00	Evaluate jurisdictional research for motion to dismiss (.4); develop jurisdictional arguments for motion (.6).
12/07/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	2.70	\$823.50	Research Nevada statutes and case law governing claims asserted in complaint and research same for potential defenses.
12/08/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	2.40	\$732.00	Research and analyze Nevada case law and statutes regarding claims and potential defenses to support motion to dismiss (2.1); strategy regarding motion to dismiss (.3).
12/08/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.90	\$902.50	Review research re: claims and defenses (1.0); review motion re: Snowell motion to dismiss (.2); develop arguments for motion to dismiss (.5); review Gullickson joinder (.2)
12/09/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.20	\$107.00	Review joinder motion for Motion to Dismiss
12/11/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.60	\$321.00	Review and consider outline of motion to dismiss arguments.
12/11/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	2.00	\$950.00	Review research and outline arguments for motions to dismiss.
12/14/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	2.60	\$1,391.00	Consider arguments for motion to dismiss and provide edits to same (0.5); research [REDACTED] requirements in Nevada (0.7); draft declaration of Viridis Group I9 Capital LLC in support of motion to dismiss; draft and send e-mail to A. Bowden, D. Bowden, B. Skalla, and J. Rassas requesting [REDACTED] (1.4).
12/14/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	9.70	\$4,607.50	Communications with local counsel re: latest orders and motions (.1); draft motion to dismiss (6.0); research for motion to dismiss (2.8); work on declarations and supporting

					materials for personal jurisdiction arguments (.8).
12/15/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.70	\$909.50	Review and comment on first draft of motion to dismiss (1.1); correspond with B. Mikkelson regarding [REDACTED] (0.2); review additional information from defendants to support declarations (0.4).
12/16/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	3.40	\$1,037.00	Strategy regarding content and structure of motion to dismiss (.6); review and edit motion to dismiss (2.8).
12/16/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.80	\$963.00	Speak with B. Mikkelson (0.5); review draft of motion to dismiss (0.7); draft and revise declarations of Bowden, Skalla, Rassas, and D. Bowden (0.6).
12/16/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	5.90	\$2,802.50	follow up communications with A.Bowden and team re: [REDACTED] information (.3); call with Bobby re: [REDACTED] information and related follow up (.5); continue to draft motion to dismiss (4.2); research and analysis for motion (.9).
12/17/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	1.90	\$579.50	Review and edit motion to dismiss (.7); research and analyze Nevada statutes and case law regarding [REDACTED] (1.0); strategy regarding [REDACTED] of motion to dismiss (.2).
12/17/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.90	\$1,016.50	Complete drafts of declarations in support of motion to dismiss for Viridis Group I9 Capital and Viridis Group Holdings (0.7); revise declarations in support of motions to dismiss for individual defendants (0.3); revise motion to dismiss brief (0.8); email with local counsel and client (0.1).
12/17/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	4.60	\$2,185.00	Continue to draft and revise motion (3.4); communications with team re: same (.9); communications to/from I9 (.3).
12/18/20	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	1.40	\$427.00	Review and edit motion to dismiss, including citations to pleadings and case citations.
12/18/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.70	\$374.50	Review edits and revisions to motion to dismiss (0.4); receive declarations from individual defendants (0.1); provide additional edits and comments (0.2).
12/18/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	5.10	\$2,422.50	Finalize declarations and motion for filing (2.9); multiple communications with item 9 team re: [REDACTED] (1.4); multiple communications with local counsel re: same (.4); review Gullickson motion (.4).
12/22/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.40	\$190.00	Review Burton/Lemons filings.
12/23/20	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Review motion to extend and new appearance (0.2); research plaintiffs' new counsel (0.1).
12/23/20	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.10	\$522.50	Review multiple filings from new counsel (.6); communications re: [REDACTED] with local counsel (.4); email with clients re: same (.1).
01/08/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Review filing from Marimed.
01/20/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.00	\$535.00	Review plaintiffs' responses to Marimed and Snowell's motions to dismiss (0.3); review Marimed's and Snowell's reply in support of motion to dismiss (0.2); correspond with local

					counsel regarding [REDACTED] (0.1); debrief with L. Stine regarding [REDACTED] (0.2); discuss next steps (0.2).
01/20/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	4.00	\$1,900.00	Review latest filings (1.0); observe Snowell et al. motion to dismiss hearing and related follow up work and communications (2.7); debrief with team and review court hearing minutes (.3).
01/22/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Prepare for and conduct discussion with A. Bowden, M. Keksey, regarding [REDACTED].
01/27/21	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	0.40	\$122.00	Review and analyze plaintiffs' oppositions to motions to dismiss.
01/27/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.80	\$428.00	Review motions to associate counsel (0.1); correspond with local counsel regarding same (0.1); consider and annotate plaintiffs' response to Item 9's motion to dismiss (0.4); discuss same with L. Stine (0.2).
01/27/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.00	\$475.00	Review and evaluate motion to dismiss response (.8); communications with local counsel re: [REDACTED] (.2).
01/29/21	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	0.50	\$152.50	Review and analyze response to motion to dismiss and create chart of remaining defendants and claims.
01/29/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.50	\$267.50	Consider arguments in support of motion to dismiss.
02/11/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.00	\$475.00	Develop arguments for reply brief.
02/12/21	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	7.10	\$2,165.50	Research and analyze case law supporting reply (1.6); work on reply in support of motion to dismiss (5.5).
02/15/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.00	\$535.00	Review and revise reply brief in support of motion to dismiss
02/17/21	Landolt, Lukas M.	Associate	1.10	\$335.50	Review and edit reply in support of motion to dismiss.
02/17/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.60	\$321.00	Review and revise reply brief; correspond with L. Stine regarding same
02/17/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	4.60	\$2,185.00	Review and revise reply brief (3.8); communications with local counsel re: [REDACTED] (.3); prepare for and participate in court call re: pro hac admission (.5).
02/18/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.40	\$190.00	Review Marimed reply (.4)
02/24/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	1.00	\$535.00	Review and edit outline for motion to dismiss hearing argument (0.5); discuss [REDACTED] with L. Stine (0.2); assist in preparation for hearing argument with L. Stine and strategy for same (0.3).
02/24/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	7.60	\$3,610.00	Prepare for and participate in lengthy oral argument on motions to dismiss (7.3); emails with client re: [REDACTED] (.2); review email frOm J. Brandt (.1).
03/01/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Communications with local counsel re: [REDACTED].
03/02/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.50	\$267.50	Consider correspondence from local counsel regarding [REDACTED] (0.2); discuss same with L. Stine (0.2); next steps to confirm dismissal (0.1).

03/12/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.60	\$321.00	Review dismissal order from Marimed (0.1); consider draft order for dismissal (0.4); correspond with local counsel regarding [REDACTED] (0.1).
03/12/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.40	\$665.00	Review latest filings and communications with team re: same.
03/17/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	2.00	\$1,070.00	Review hearing transcript for motion to dismiss (0.5); review Marimed's order to dismiss (0.2); correspond with local counsel regarding [REDACTED] (0.1); draft Item 9 Defendants order for dismissal (1.2).
03/17/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	1.10	\$522.50	Review and revise proposed order granting motion to dismiss (.9); review multiple orders (2).
03/22/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.20	\$107.00	Review order to dismiss from Snowell Holdings and respond to local counsel on same.
03/23/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.20	\$107.00	Consider edits to order granting motion to dismiss.
03/24/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Review revised order granting motion to dismiss and provide additional edits.
03/25/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.80	\$428.00	Review motion for attorneys' fees from Snowell and notice of hearing of same (0.4); consider Item 9 motion for attorneys' fees and arguments for same (0.4).
03/25/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.50	\$237.50	Communications with Item 9 and local counsel regarding [REDACTED] (.3); review and revise proposed order (.2).
03/26/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Communications regarding dismissal filing.
03/31/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.20	\$107.00	Review and consider opposing counsel's proposed changes to order for dismissal (0.1); correspond with K. Nielsen regarding[REDACTED] (0.1).
04/01/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.30	\$142.50	Evaluate proposed edits to dismissal order and communications with M.Keskey re: [REDACTED.
04/05/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.10	\$53.50	Consider e-mail from M. Keksey regarding [REDACTED]and next steps; discuss same with L. Stine.
04/07/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.30	\$160.50	Review and consider plaintiffs' response to Snowell's motion for attorneys' fees (0.3).
04/13/21	Stine, Lauren E.	Partner	0.20	\$95.00	Review notice and order re: dismissal of Item 9 defendants.
04/14/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.10	\$53.50	Consider attorneys' fees motion
04/22/21	Stahl, Christian G.	Partner	0.20	\$107.00	Review Snowell's reply in support of attorneys' fees motion.

<u>DATE</u>	COSTS AND DISBURSEMENTS	<u>AMOUNT</u>
10/08/20	Copy Service: Clark County Courts	\$124.89
10/14/20	Copy Service: Clark County Courts	\$12.50
11/04/20	Copy Service: Clark County Nevada Court	\$30.00
11/04/20	Copy Service: Clark County Court Nevada	\$13.50
11/12/20	Copy Service: TransUnion	\$1.80
12/04/20	Copy Service: Illinois Supreme Court Clerk's Office - Certificate of Good Standing - C. Stahl	\$16.00
12/21/20	VENDOR: First Legal Network LLC; INVOICE#: 26053442; DATE: 12/21/2020 - ARIZONA SUPREME COURT	\$58.31
01/05/21	VENDOR: First Legal Network LLC; INVOICE#: 26053936; DATE: 1/5/2021 - ARIZONA SUPREME COURT	\$20.91
01/19/21	UPS delivery to Smith Larsen & Wixom Las Vegas, NV 1/13/2021, INVOICE #: 0387PR40U7	\$14.56
01/19/21	UPS delivery to Karl L. Nielson Smith Larsen & Wixom Las Vegas, NV 1/11/2021, L. Stine Pro Hac, INVOICE #: 0387PR40U7	\$10.80
02/12/21	Copy Service: Clark County Court	\$9.50
02/15/21	Copy Service: Clark County Court	\$24.00
	TOTAL COSTS AND DISBURSEMENTS:	\$336.77

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& Brady ance Square, Two North Central Ave		(Oct 31, 2020
		File #:	c5360
Lauren Elliott Stine		Inv #:	63219
LLC et al.			
DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Review/analyze documents from client.	0.50	172.50	MBW
Redacted	0.70	241.50	MBW
Review/analyze First Amended Complaint	0.60	180.00	KLN
Redacted	0.50	150.00	KLN
Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding extension to respond to first	0.30	90.00	KLN
Review/analyze status of response to First	0.10	30.00	KLN
Redacted	0.10	30.00	KLN
Totala	2.80	\$804.00	
	LLC et al. DESCRIPTION Review/analyze documents from client. Redacted Review/analyze First Amended Complaint Redacted Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding extension to respond to first amended complaint Review/analyze status of response to First Amended Complaint	& Brady ance Square, Two North Central Ave . 85004-2391 Lauren Elliott Stine LLC et al. DESCRIPTION HOURS Review/analyze documents from client. 0.50 Redacted 0.70 Review/analyze First Amended Complaint 0.60 Redacted 0.50 Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding extension to respond to first amended complaint Review/analyze status of response to First 0.10 Amended Complaint Redacted 0.10	& Brady ance Square, Two North Central Ave .85004-2391 File #: Lauren Elliott Stine Inv #: LLC et al. DESCRIPTION HOURS AMOUNT Review/analyze documents from client. 0.50 172.50 Redacted 0.70 241.50 Review/analyze First Amended Complaint 0.60 180.00 Redacted 0.50 150.00 Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding extension to respond to first amended complaint Review/analyze status of response to First 0.10 30.00 Amended Complaint Redacted 0.10 30.00

Attorney/Paralegal	Hours	Effective Rate	Amount
Michael B. Wixom	1.20	\$345.00	\$414.00

FEE SUMMARY:

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Karl L. Nielson 1.60 \$300.00 \$480.00

Total Fees, Disbursements

Previous Balance
Previous Payments

\$0.00

Balance Due

\$894.00

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File #: c5360
Attention: Lauren Elliott Stine Inv #: 63388

RE: JDD, LLC et al.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Nov-03-20	Review/analyze issues regarding acceptance of service issues	0.30	90.00	KLN
Nov-05-20	Review/analyze issues for extension to respond to complaint and related issues	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze draft stipulation and order regarding acceptance of service	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Redacted	0.40	120.00	KLN
Nov-06-20	Review/analyze redlines to stipulation and order to extend deadlines	0.20	60.00	KLN
Nov-12-20	Redacted	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding approval of stipulation to extend deadlines	0.20	60.00	KLN
Nov-16-20	Review/analyze demand letter from Justin Brandt and response thereto	0.20	60.00	KLN
Nov-19-20	Review/analyze draft stipulation and order to dismiss certain parties	0.30	90.00	KLN
Nov-25-20	Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding stipulation to extend time to respond to complaint	0.30	90.00	KLN
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	Review/analyze rev		on to Extend	0.30	90.00	KLN
	time to respond to c Redacted	отрыт		0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze pla withdraw and next s		el's motion to	0.30	90.00	KLN
Nov-30-20	Redacted	жера		0.30	90.00	KLN
	Totals			3.80	\$1,140.00	
FEE SUI	MMARY:					
Attorney	/Paralegal	Hours	Effective Rate		Amount	
Karl L. N	lielson	3.80	\$300.00	\$	1,140.00	
	Total Fees, Disburs	sements			-	\$1,140.00
	Previous Balance					\$894.00
	Previous Payments					\$0.00
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Balance Due

\$2,034.00

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			Ι	Dec 31, 2020
			File #:	c5360
Attention:	Lauren Elliott Stine		Inv #:	63421
RE: JDD,	LLC et al.			
DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Dec-01-20	Redacted	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding revised stipulation to dismiss and new counsel	0.40	120.00	KLN
	Draft/revise notice of appearance	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Draft/revise stipulation to extend time to respond to amended complaint	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding changes to stipulation to	0.40	120.00	KLN
Dec-02-20	extend time to respond to amended complaint Redacted	0.30	90.00	KLN
Dec-03-20	Review/analyze pro hac vice applications for Arizona counsel	0.30	90.00	KLN
Dec-04-20	Communicate (other external) with opposing counsel regarding status of stipulation to	0.20	60.00	KLN
	extend time to respond to amended complaint Review/analyze filed copy of signed stipulation and order to extend time	0.20	60.00	KLN
Dec-08-20	Redacted	0.30	90.00	KLN

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	Review/analyze Order Shortening Time on Plaintiffs' motion to extend time to file	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Opposition to Snowell motion to dismiss Review/analyze Defendant Gullickson's notice of joinder	0.20	60.00	KLN
Dec-11-20	Review/analyze order granting motion to withdraw	0.20	60.00	KLN
Dec-14-20	Review/analyze Snowell's motion to dismiss	0.40	120.00	KLN
Dec-15-20	Redacted	0.40	120.00	KLN
	Redacted	0.70	210.00	KLN
Dec-17-20	Review/analyze draft motion to dismiss and declaration drafts	0.90	270.00	KLN
	Redacted	0.40	120.00	KLN
Dec-18-20	Review/analyze letter to Plaintiffs' counsel and attorneys' fees section and provide comments	0.80	240.00	KLN
	to co-counsel. Redacted	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Defendant Gullickson's motion to dismiss	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Review/analyze and finalize motion to dismiss and declarations	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Review/analyze issues regarding service of motion to dismiss on plaintiffs	0.20	60.00	KLN
Dec-21-20	Review/analyze notice of hearing and next steps	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Defendant Burton and Lemons' Answer to amended complaint	0.50	150.00	KLN
Dec-23-20	Review/analyze information regarding plaintiffs' new counsel	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Draft/revise initial appearance fee disclosure	0.40	120.00	KLN
	Review/analyze issues regarding transfer to business court	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Redacted	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Plaintiff's Notice of Appearance, motion to extend deadline to respond to motions to dismiss, request to transfer to business court and business court civil cover sheet	0.60	180.00	KLN
	Review/analyze The Harvest Foundation's answer to amended complaint and corporate	0.50	150.00	KLN
	disclosure statement Review/analyze Defendant Gullickson's notice	0.20	60.00	KLN
	of joinder to motion to dismiss		PA	_0445

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	Draft/revise corp	oorate disclosure	estatement	0.50	150.00	KLN
Dec-31-20	Review/analyze Snowell's motion		oposition to	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Totals			12.90	\$3,870,00	
7.7	MMARY:	Hours	Effective Rate		Amount	
Karl L. N	v/ Paralegal Vielson	12,90	\$300.00		3,870.00	
DISBURSE	MENTS			Disbursen	nents	Receipts
Dec-02-20	Court Fees file r	otice of appeara	ince		3.50	
Dec-31-20	Court Fees Pro I Stine	Hac Vice Applic	ation Lauren	55	50.00	
	Court Fees Pro I Stahl	Hac Vice Applic	ation Christian	55	50.00	
	Totals		-	\$1.10	03.50	\$0.00

Total Fees, Disbursements

Previous Balance

Balance Due

Previous Payments

\$4,973.50

\$2,034.00

\$7,007.50

\$0.00

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Attention: Lauren Elliott Stine File #: c5360
Inv #: 63528

RE: JDD, LLC et al.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Jan-07-21	Review/analyze notice of reassignment of case to business court and new hearing dates	0.10	30.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Notice of Hearing for motion to dismiss and next steps	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze status of Plaintiff's request for extension and to transfer case to business court	0.10	30.00	KLN
	Review/analyze status of corporate disclosure statement	0.20	60.00	KLN
Jan-08-21	Review/analyze notice of non-opposition to Marimed, et al.'s motion to dismiss	0.20	60.00	KLN
Jan-11-21	Review/analyze Nevada State Bar response and required follow up for pro hac vice admission	0.40	120.00	KLN
	Review/analyze status of extension for Plaintiffs to respond to motion to dismiss Redacted	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Redacted	0.30	90.00	KLN
Jan-12-21	Redacted	0.50	150.00	KLN
		0.50	150.00	KLN

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify pursuant to NRAP 25(c), that on the 9th day of August, 2021, I caused service of a true and correct copy of the foregoing **APPENDIX TO PETITIONERS' WRIT OF MANDAMUS** by the following means:

X BY MAIL: I placed a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

The Honoarable Timothy C. Williams Eighth Judicial District Court Civil Dept. XVI 200 Lewis Avenue Las Vegas, Nevada 89155 Respondent

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

JDD, LLC; TCS PARTNERS, LLC; JOHN SAUNDERS; and TREVOR SCHMIDT,

Petitioners,

VS.

THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY C. WILLIAMS, EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK,

Respondent,

-andITEM 9 LABS CORP. f/k/a Airware Labs
Corp. and Crown Dynamics Corp.; ITEM 9
PROPERTIES, LLC; STRIVE
MANAGEMENT, LLC f/k/a Strive Life;
VIRIDIS GROUP I9 CAPITAL, LLC;
VIRIDIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC;
SNOWELL HOLDINGS, LLC; ANDREW
BOWDEN; DOUGLAS BOWDEN; BRYCE
SKALLA; and CHASE HERSCHMAN,

Real Parties in Interest.

Case No.:

District Court Case No.: A-20-811232-C

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Snowell Holdings, LLC's Motion	12.01.2020	1	PA_0064-0077
to Dismiss			
Snowell Holdings, LLC's Reply	01.20.2021	1	PA_0128-0133
In Support of Motion to Dismiss			
Transcript – Motion to Dismiss	02.24.2021	1	PA_0167-0247

Invoice #: 63528		Pag	ge 2	Janua	ary 31, 2021	
Jan-18-21	Review/analyze Pl motion to dismiss	aintiff's Oppo	sition to	0.50	150.00	KLN
Jan-19-21	Review/analyze Pl Marimed et al.'s m			0.40	120.00	KLN
	Review/analyze m	otions to asso	ciate counsel	0.20	60.00	KLN
Jan-20-21	Review/analyze Sr motion to dismiss	nowell's reply	in support of	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze por responses and need	for pro hac v	vice filing	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze co hearing on parties'	motions to di	smiss	0.40	120.00	KLN
Jan-21-21	Review/analyze an non-opposition			0.10	30.00	KLN
	Review/analyze no to associate counse	el		0.10	30.00	KLN
Jan-26-21	Review/analyze iss application	sues regarding	g pro hac vice	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Redacted			0.20	60.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Pl Meeting with clien dismiss			1.70	510.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Pl Gullickson's motio		sition to	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Draft/revise motion counsel and on ord			1.50	450.00	KLN
Jan-27-21	Review/analyze iss motion to associate local counsel			0.60	180.00	KLN
Jan-28-21	Draft/revise motion	n to associate	counsel	0.30	90.00	KLN
Jan-29-21	Review/analyze co motion to associate			0.30	90.00	KLN
	Totals			10.60	\$3,180.00	
FEE SUM	IM A DV:					
	Paralegal	Hours	Effective Rate		Amount	

Karl L. N	Nielson 10.60	\$300.00	\$3,180.00	
DISBURSE	EMENTS		Disbursements	Receipts
	Postage		0.50	
Dec-19-20	Court Fees file defendants' motion to dism for failure to state a claim	niss	3.50	

voice #: 6352	Page 3	January 31, 2021	
Dec-23-20	Court Fees file initial appearance fee disclosures	496.50	
Jan-21-21	Court Fees file notice of non-opposition to defendants' motion to dismiss	3.50	
Jan-29-21	Court Fees file motion to associate counsel-Christian G. Stahl	3.50	
	Totals	\$507.50	\$0.00
	Total Fees, Disbursements		\$3,687.50
	Previous Balance		\$7,007.50
	Previous Payments		\$0.00
	Balance Due	-	\$10,695.00

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Item 9 Labs Corp., et al
c/o Quarles & Brady
One Renaissance Square, Two North Central Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85004-2391

Attention: Lauren Elliott Stine File #: c5360
Inv #: 63612

RE: JDD, LLC et al.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Feb-01-21	Review/analyze notice of hearing regarding motion to associate counsel	0.20	60.00	KLN
Feb-03-21	Review/analyze corporate disclosure statement	0.30	90.00	KLN
Feb-15-21	Redacted	0.20	60.00	KLN
Feb-16-21	Draft/revise order approving motion to associate counsel for Lauren Stine	0.30	90.00	KLN
Feb-17-21	Draft/revise and edit reply in support of motion to dismiss	0.70	210.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Marimed and Gullickson replies in support of motions to dismiss	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Plan and prepare for hearing on motion to associate counsel	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Appear for/attend hearing on motion to associate counsel	0.50	150.00	KLN
	Draft/revise order granting motion to associate counsel	0.30	90.00	KLN
Feb-18-21	Review/analyze order admitting Lauren Stine to practice	0.20	60.00	KLN
Feb-19-21	Review/analyze court minute order regarding hearing on motions to dismiss	0.30	90.00	KLN
Feb-22-21	Review/analyze status of motion hearing	0.50	150.00 P	A_0450

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Feb-	24-21	Redacted			0.30	90.00	KLN
		Review/analyze and reply for hea		ss, opposition	1.40	420.00	KLN
		Appear for/atten	d hearing on mo		2.10	630.00	KLN
		dismiss and prep Review/analyze granting motion	issues for prepa	ring order	0.30	90.00	KLN
Feb-	25-21	Review/analyze to dismiss			0.20	60.00	KLN
		Totals			8.80	\$2,640.00	
		MMARY:					
A	ttorney	/Paralegal	Hours	Effective Rate		Amount	
K	Carl L. N	ielson	8.80	\$300.00	\$	2,640.00	
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Feb-	03-21	Court Fees file c	orporate disclos	sure statement		3.50	
Feb-	17-21	Court Fees file d		in support of		3.50	
Feb-	18-21	Court Fees file notice of entry of order admitting Lauren Elliott Stine to practice				3.50	
		Totals			\$	10.50	\$0.00
		Total Fees, Disb	ursements			-	\$2,650.50
		Previous Balance	е				\$10,695.00
		Previous Paymen	nts				\$0.00
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Balance Due

\$13,345.50

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Item 9 Labs	Corp., et al		1	Mar 31, 2021
	& Brady sance Square, Two North Central Ave Z 85004-2391			
			File #:	c5360
Attention:	Lauren Elliott Stine		Inv #:	63715
RE: JDD,	, LLC et al.			
DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Mar-01-21	Redacted	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Communicate (other external) with other defendants' counsel regarding timing for orders on motions to dismiss	0.30	90.00	KLN
Mar-02-21	Review/analyze requirements for submitting orders on motions to dismiss	0.30	90.00	KLN
Mar-03-21	Review/analyze minute order regarding motion to associate hearing	0.20	60.00	KLN
Mar-09-21	Review/analyze issues for potential motion for attorneys fees	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Redacted	0.20	60.00	KLN
Mar-11-21	Review/analyze draft Marimed order granting motion to dismiss	0.20	60.00	KLN
Mar-12-21	Redacted	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Review/analyze motion to dismiss hearing transcript	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze Yokiel motion to dismiss	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Draft/revise order admitting Christian Stahl to	0.20	60.00	KLN

Invoice #: 6371	5	Pa	ge 2	Marc	h 31, 2021	
Mar-22-21	Review/analyze motion to dismis		Snowell	0.20	60.00	KLN
Mar-24-21	Review/analyze motion to dismis	and edit draft o	rder granting	0.40	120.00	KLN
	Review/analyze motion for attorn	issues regarding	g potential	0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze fees and potentia	Snowell motion		0.30	90.00	KLN
Mar-25-21	Review/analyze attorneys' fees			0.30	90.00	KLN
	Redacted			0.20	60.00	KLN
	Draft/revise orde	er granting moti	on to dismiss	0.30	90.00	KLN
Mar-26-21	Communicate (o regarding approvemotion to dismissing approvemotion to dismissing approvement of the communicate (or regarding approximate (or regarding a	al of draft orde		0.30	90.00	KLN
	Review/analyze predline changes to dismiss			0.40	120.00	KLN
	Totals			5.50	\$1,650.00	
FEE SU	MMARY:					
Attorney	/Paralegal	Hours	Effective Rate		Amount	
Karl L. N	Jielson	5.50	\$300.00	\$	1,650.00	
DISBURSE	MENTS			Disbursen	nents	Receipts
	Postage				1.02	
Mar-17-21	Court Fees Copy	of MTD Hearin	ng Trancsript	14	40.04	
	Court Fees file no admitting Christi				3.50	
	Totals		-	\$14	44.56	\$0.00

Total Fees, Disbursements	\$1,794.56
Previous Balance	\$13,345.50
Previous Payments	\$0.00
Balance Due	\$15,140.06

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	& Brady sance Square, Two Z 85004-2391	North Central A	Ave			
					File #:	c5360
Attention:	Lauren Elliott S	Stine			Inv #:	63825
RE: JDD,	, LLC et al.					
DATE	DESCRIPTION	ı		HOURS	AMOUNT	ATT/PAR
Apr-05-21	Draft/revise ord	ler granting moti	on to dismiss	0.30	90.00	KLN
		other external) wed order granting		0.30	90.00	KLN
Apr-07-21		Plaintiffs' oppos on for fees	sition to	0.20	60.00	KLN
Apr-12-21	Review/analyze dismiss and nex	court order gran tt steps	nting motion to	0.20	60.00	KLN
	Totals			1.00	\$300.00	
FEE SU	MMARY:					
Attorne	y/Paralegal	Hours	Effective Rate		Amount	
Karl L. N	Vielson	1,00	\$300.00		\$300.00	

DISBURSE	EMENTS	Disbursements	Receipts
Apr-13-21	Court Fees file notice of entry of order granting defendants motion to dismiss amended complaint	3.50	
			PA_0455

Totals	\$3.50	\$0.00
Total Fees, Disbursements	-	\$303.50
Previous Balance		\$15,140.06
Previous Payments		\$7,624.00
Balance Due	_	\$7,819.56

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Writer's Direct Dial: 602-229-5474 E-Mail: Lauren.Stine@guarles.com

November 10, 2020

VIA EMAIL (hsmith@albrightstoddard.com)

ALBRIGHT, STODDARD, WARNICK & ALBRIGHT c/o Mr. Hayden R.D. Smith 801 South Rancho Drive, Suite D-4 Las Vegas, Nevada 89106

Re: JDD, LLC et al. v. Marimed Inc., Case No. A-20-811232-C, District Court, Clark County, Nevada

Dear Hayden,

Thank you for speaking with us yesterday regarding our clients, Item 9 Labs Corp., Item 9 Properties LLC, Strive Management, L.L.C., Viridis Group I9 Capital LLC, Viridis Group Holdings, LLC, Andrew Bowden, Douglas Bowden, Bryce Skalla, Jeffrey Rassas, and Chase Herschman (collectively, "Defendants") who have been named as Defendants in the above captioned matter. We are in receipt of the First Amended Complaint ("FAC") filed by your clients JDD, LCC, TCS Partners, LLC, John Saunders, and Trevor Schmidt (collectively, "Plaintiffs").

As discussed during our call, your clients have instituted unsubstantiated claims against Defendants for an improper purpose. We send this letter as a professional courtesy, to inform you of the utter lack of merit of the claims asserted by Plaintiffs against Defendants, and to avoid unnecessary expense of loss of time by you and your client. We respectfully urge you and your clients to reconsider your pursuit of the claims alleged against Defendants in the FAC.

Though very few of the 244 paragraphs in the FAC actually pertain to Defendants, Plaintiffs' claims against them apparently derive from their speculation that Item 9 may have engaged in a business transaction with the Harvest Foundation in Nevada, or that one or more of the Defendants may have engaged in separate business transactions with two of the principals of the Harvest Foundation, Larry Lemons and Donnie Burton. Based solely on those assumptions,

Plaintiffs have asserted a host of claims, ranging from alter ego to intentional interference, against Item 9, its affiliates, officers and directors, and investors or business partners of Item 9.

Putting aside the countless deficiencies in the FAC that render it subject to immediate dismissal (which will be addressed in a forthcoming motion to dismiss, if necessary), the fundamental premise of Plaintiffs' claims in the FAC is pure fiction. None of the Defendants, including Item 9, have entered into contracts or are doing business with the Harvest Foundation. None of the Defendants, including Item 9, have or claim any interest in cannabis licenses held by the Harvest Foundation. And none of the Defendants have knowledge regarding your clients or any agreements they claim to have with Mr. Burton and Mr. Lemons.

The simple truth is that Plaintiffs have no facts or evidence whatsoever to support the claims and allegations they leveled against Defendants in the FAC. In reality, Plaintiffs' lawsuit is a fishing expedition, designed to bully and extort without any legitimate basis whatsoever.

Based on our discussion yesterday, it is unlikely that your clients have shared with you the threatening and harassing messages that their agent, Mr. Brian Roche, sent to Defendants and myself, in which Plaintiffs threatened Defendants and attempted to intimidate them (and me). Copies of these communications are enclosed for your reference. However, here are a few examples of the wholly unprofessional, harassing and intimidating communications Mr. Roche sent to Defendants and myself prior to filing the FAC:

- "Mssrs. [sic] Bowden, Mr. Miller and Mr. Rassas I was hired to come in with a nuclear arsenal and blow up Item 9 Labs and these scammers you entered into business with who have defrauded and stolen from my clients and Trevor and John."
- "I would prefer a direct call with all of you ASAP with or without your lawyer to discuss how I am working to get my guys their money back that Burton and Lemmons have blown on strippers (probably Gullickson), cars, and blow over the last several years while not honoring their obligations after they stole the \$741,250 from my clients who haven't seen jack shit back."
- "You all are either a friend or foe in that regard. I am reaching out to you for help to take the lead to get my guys' money back before a nuclear winter drops on Item 9 for engaging in clear fraud, interference with contract, interference with economic advantage, etc. etc. blah blah blah you know the deal. I was pissed to see the lawsuit AZ DP v. Gullickson dismissed what happened?"
- "I am the fixer. I never stop until the client is paid in full or parties are in jail. ... I am the fixer and here to help you help yourself to get my guys their money back."

- "The only path I am aligned on currently is the path to 100% complete success getting my guys their money back. Anyone not helping in that regard will be roadkill in my rear review mirror."
- "I have amended [sic] out complaint and will be filing it tomorrow and promise this is the lease [sic] of your worries. I reached out to Bryce and crew as a one time [sic] courtesy which I always do before launching my nukes."
- "Bryce don't ever try to fucking bullshit me again I warned you about dishonesty with me."
- "...do I need to have my guy bang on Doug's door at his Whispering Wind home address on the 4th of July weekend ..."
- "...prior attorney Rob Rabatt he's out there is a new sheriff in town."
- "...resources were allocated to investigate the Item 9 sins and transgressions of Bowden, Skalla, and the golden goose Doug Bowden who we have dead to rights as investing into this fugazi deal through Viridis entities..."
- "....save me some time and money and save my guy from going gangster and banging on everyone's doors over the 4th of July weekend to serve them all."
- "LAUREN STOP CALLING ROB RABBAT HE IS OUT!!!!!! TIME FOR TALK IS OVER...EVEN LITTLE KIDS KNOW WHEN DAD SAYS NO NOT TO RUN TO MOMMY TO ASK FOR A COOKIE STOP CALLING ROBHE IS SUBBED OUT AND LONG OVERDUE."
- "LAUREN I JUST GOT OFF WITH A BRILLIANT LAWYER IN OHIO WHO IS FILING A BRAND NEW SHINY LAWSUIT SHE ALREADY DRAFTED NAMING ITEM 9 AND ALL ITS FUGAZI PARTNERS....THIS IS GOING TO BE A BILLING BONANZA FOR QUARLES & BRADY BATTLING US IN VEGAS AND NOW HER IN OHIO WITH ANOTHER LAWSUIT!!!!!!"

And here are screen shots of text messages Plaintiffs (or individuals acting on behalf of Plaintiffs) sent to Mr. Chase Herschman prior to serving the FAC. You will note that the individual sending these text messages claims to be "[t]he guy that's suing you and your Item 9 partners" (i.e., either Mr. Saunders or Mr. Schmidt). "Gary" and "Valerie" (referenced below) are Mr. Herschman's parents. This is not the first time Plaintiffs (and individuals acting on their behalf) have threatened the safety and wellbeing of Defendants' family members. (*See, e.g., surpra*, "do I need to have my guy bang on Doug's door at his Whispering Wind home address on the 4th of July weekend ...".)

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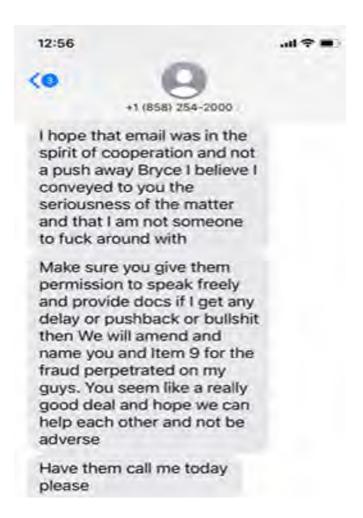
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We are in receipt of your November 3, 2020 email to Mr. Brandt, in which you claim that statements made by Mr. Roche are not attributable to your clients. Candidly, however, it is difficult to accept such assertion, particularly when Mr. Roche represented that he was acting on behalf of Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' prior counsel (Rob Rabbat) expressly authorized my firm to communicate with Mr. Roche after we questioned the legitimacy of his affiliation with Plaintiffs. Copies of these communications are also enclosed.

In any event, there can be no legitimate dispute that Plaintiffs' lawsuit was filed for an improper purpose and is a transparent attempt to harass and extort Defendants, some of whom are simply investors in totally separate business transactions or employees of Item 9 or its affiliates. Indeed, Mr. Roche admitted as much when he wrote the following to Mr. Bryce Skalla, prior to the FAC filing:



We are continuing to investigate these actions and demand that Plaintiffs and their agents cease and desist from such further conduct. We look forward to speaking with you again to discuss the dismissal of all claims asserted against Defendants in the FAC with prejudice. Defendants reserve al rights and remedies available to them and against responsible persons, including but not limited to the pursuit of sanctions under NRCP Rule 11.

We look forward to speaking with you again soon.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Lauren Elliott Stine

Lauren Elliott Stine

LS:slm Enclosures

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Brian Roche brian rochecorp com

Date: Fri, Jun 19, 2020 at 3:46 PM Subject: Item 9 Labs Lawsuit

To: < lettrevalitem9labs.com>, <abovedentation9labs.com>, <a hreecolitem9labs.com>

Mssrs. Bowden, Mr. Miller and Mr. Rassas I was hired to come in with a nuclear arsenal and blow up Item 9 Labs and these scanners your entered into business with who have debranded and stolar from my cleans and Trevor and John. Trend in interest your recent 10K. I am happy to discuss with you prior to me pre-the the red launch button on our Amended complaint we are filing on Monday naming Item 9 Labs as a Defendant,

Strive, and all these parties for this fraud. I truly hope you have been duped by these fugazi's like my clients and friends have been and aren't knowingly or intentionally in business with these scammers?

I would prefer a direct call with all of you ASAP with or without your lawyer to discuss how I am working to get my guys their money back that Burton and Lemmons have blown on strippers (probably Gullickson), cars, and blow over the last several years while not honoring their obligations after they stole the \$741,250 from my clients who haven't seen jack shit back.

You all are either a friend or foe in that regard. I am reaching out to you for help to take the lead to get my guys' money back before a nuclear winter drops on Item 9 for engaging in clear fraud, interference with contract, interference with economic advantage, etc. etc. blah blah blah you know the deal. I was pissed to see the lawsuit AZ DP v. Gullickson dismissed what happened?

I am the fixer. I never stop until the client is paid in full or parties are in jail. I hope to hear from you tonight or tomorrow as this is now squarely on your laps now. Supporting does attached and direct number below. I promise this is a friendly email and look forward to hearing from you ASAP! Some background on your partners and some of my recent handiwork in AZ below and attached. I am the fixer and here to help you help yourself to get my guys their money back.

I know its a weird first email and a lot to digest but it is what it is. Item 9 is dead center of it all while my guys are out their \$741,250. I kicked every one of the below matters off with emails just like this one to you guys with chances for them to work with me and settle up front many do, these below chose not to. I always give people one final chance to do what is right when a clear fraud and theft of money has been committed under the guise of a marijuana leaf.

I hope to speak soon my friends. Background on your partner Burton and his cohorts attached also.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdny/pr/three-convicted-monintian-federal-court-fraudulent-issuance-and-sate-more-60-million [justice.gov]

https://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/arizona-invest)gattons/2019/03/27/ken-lasch-phoenix-developerand-green-tech-firm/founder-charged-37-mil/fam-fraud-case/1283210002/ fazgental.com/

https://www.uzcentral.com/story/news/local/artzonu-investigations/2019/03/28/developer-ken-to/ch-green-tacf-scam-relied-hogus-demos-fake-results-feds-say-herotohelpuz/3291104002/[azcentral.com]

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https://www.investmentnews.com/article/20130709/FREE/130709971 five-time-mlb-all-star-syes-ubs-ex-repfor-7-6m [investmentnews.com]

Kind Regards,

Brian Roche (858) 254-2000

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Stine, Lauren Elliott (PHX x3474)

From: Brian Roche <br@rochecorp.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 20, 2020 4:27 PM

To: Bryce Skalla

Cc: Bobby Mikkelsen; Jeffery Rassas; Andrew Bowden; Stine, Lauren Elliott (PHX x3474);

Valentine, Paul J. (PHX x3723)

Subject:Re:Item 9 coordinationAttachments:Strive-About_11-18.pdf

1. Thanks all please send me the agreements and relevant docs related to Harvest, purchase of Distribution License and other Docs relevant to uncover what happened here. I can review this weekend so we can have a meaningful discussion and gameplan by Monday.

- 2. Since I sent you the Marimed Membership Interest Agreement already you can see that they believed in Aug 2019 to be acquiring the shares and all 3 licenses. Not sure how this Rollup with Strive effects any of it or how you bought the Dist license with cash and shares then these guys turned around and sold it also to Marimed seems like a conspiracy to me. Civil and criminal.
- 3. Candidly to all of you here my guys gave your rat partners Burton and Lemmons \$741,250 and they haven't seen jack shit back. The NV lawsuit is just the start as stated Bryce I already amended the complaint and filing Monday.

Based on my investigation so far I believe there was interference and fraud all over the place. Also now that my uncle has put a freeze on all Harvest matters and licenses nothing is going to happen anytime soon unless I say so.

Incomly padd I am aligned on currently is the path to 100% complete success getting my guys their money back. Anyone not helping in that regard will be roadkill to my rear view mirror.

I'm working all weekend and look forward to hearing from you Lauren and/or Paul forthwith.

Corporate history

hem 9 Labs Corp. ("How 9 Labs" or the "Company"), was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware on time 15, "010 as Grown Dynamics Corp. On Openher 26, 2012, the Company changed its name to Airware Labs Corp. On April 2, 3018, the Company changed its name to from 9 Cabs Corp. to better reflect its basiness following the acquisition of BESID, as discussed below.

On March 20, 2018, the Company closed on an Agreement and Plan of Exchange to acquire all of the membership interests of BSSD troup. 11. ("IISSII"), an Arranua limited liability company turned on May 7, 2017, in exchange for newly raised restricted shares of the company 4, amount much tille "Shares"), which represent approximately 7.5% of the mated and our tunding shares of the company 4 common lock on a fully-diluted basis. The 40,355,771 stares were distributed pro-rate to the IISSD members.

Effective October 18, 2018, the Company completed a 1-for-20 reverse split of its issued and outstanding common stock.

On November 76, 2018, the company's wholly owned subsidiary AZ DP Holdings, LLC ("AA DP") closed on an asset nequisition of the materiax of the areas of Arrzona DP Consulting, LLC, a consulting from specialization of containing marginal dispensary permits and developing cannabis related business plans. The purchase price was \$1.500,000 in and and 3.000,000 share of contracted company stock.

having an aggregate value of \$7,770,000 or \$2.59 per share based on current market price of the Company shares at time asset purchase agreement was executed.

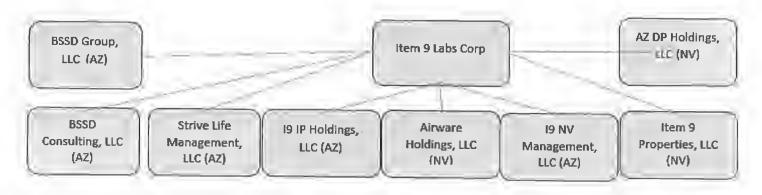
On September 12, 2018, the Company executed a \$1,500,000 promissory note (see Note 8) which was used to make a capital contribution into Strive Management, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("Strive Management"). In exchange for the contribution, the Company received a 20% membership interest in Strive Management. The remaining interests are held by three individuals, Sara Gullickson, Larry Lemons, and Donnie Burton. Through a management agreement with Strive Wellness of Nevada, LLC, a related party Strive Management will facilitate the cultivation, processing and distribution of marijuana in Nevada. Strive Wellness of Nevada, LLC has been allocated cultivation, processing and distribution licenses from the State of Nevada. Additionally, the Company will acquire an additional 31% ownership of Strive Management upon the approval from the State of Nevada to operate the cultivation and processing facility.

Our principal offices are located at 2727 N 3rd Street, Phoenix AZ 85001 Suite 201. Our registered agent for service of process in Delaware is located at 10R West 13rd St., Wilmington, DF 19801, and our registered agent is Business Filings Incorporated. Our fiscal year end is September 30.

All references to "we," "us," "our," "Item 9," "Item 9 Labs," or similar terms used in this Registration Statement refer to Item 9 Labs Corp.

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The following chart illustrates, as of the date of this Registration Statement, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiaries, including their respective junisdictions of incorporation and percentage of voting securities of each that are beneficially owned, controlled or directed by the Company.



Additionally, the Company currently own a 20% ownership in Strive Management. LLC as discussed in Tune 1 of our Notes to minimally (see Note 1). The Company had be ugul to minimally \$5,500,000) to construct the facility in Nevada, which will be wholly owned by a subsidiary of Item 9 Labs Corp and lease to Surve Management, LLC. \$3,000,000 has been raised as of the date of this filing. If the funds are not raised, the additional 31% interest due to the Company upon operational approval from the State of Nevada would be subject to reclamation by the other members of Strive Management.

Kind Regards,

Brian Roche 858-254-2000

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On Jun 20, 2020, at 3:45 PM, Bryce Skalla bryce@item9labs.com wrote:

Brian,

Spoke with team for several hours last night and after our talk. Seems our paths are aligned so I have brought our attorneys in to help with coordination and see what best path forward is. I have CC'ed Lauren Stine and Paul Valentine, our lawyers with the Quarrels & Brady Firm. They be best for contact going forward.



Bryce Skalla

President/ Co-Founder Item 9 Labs Corp. "INLB"

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Stine, Lauren Elliott (PHX x3474)

From: Brian Roche

Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:06 PM

To: Valentine, Paul J. (PHX x3723)

Cc: Bryce Skalla; Bobby Mikkelsen; Jeffery Rassas; Andrew Bowden; Stine, Lauren Elliott (PHX

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Subject: Re: Item 9 coordination

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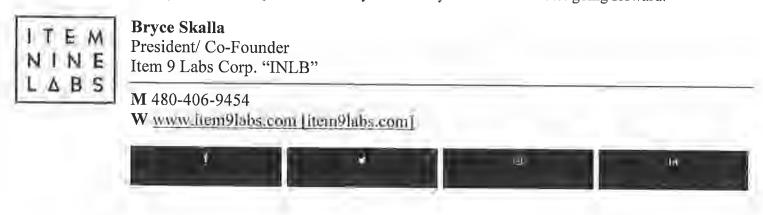
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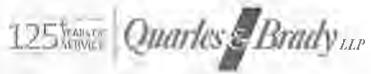
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Mr. Roche has made a number of statements in various communications regarding his purported affiliation with Plaintiffs and the filing of an amended complaint, purported claims, service, etc., regarding my client, Item 9. These are the types of statements that I would expect to receive from someone who is licensed to practice law. It is my understanding that Mr. Roche is not licensed to practice law (in Nevada or anywhere else).

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Sent: Wednesday, July 1, 2020 4:01 PM **To:** Stine, Lauren Elliott (PHX x3474)

Cc: Valentine, Paul J. (PHX x3723); Brian Roche

Subject: Re: JDD et al. v. Lemons et al. - Case No. A-20-811232-C

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May 12, 2021

A-20-811232-B

JDD, LLC, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Larry Lemons, Defendant(s)

May 12, 2021

09:00 AM Defendant Snowell Holdings, LLC's Motion for Attorneys' Fees

HEARD BY:

Williams, Timothy C.

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03H

COURT CLERK: Darling, Christopher

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REPORTER:

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PARTIES PRESENT:

Candace C. Herling **Attorney for Defendant** Lee I. Iglody Attorney for Plaintiff Mukunda Shanbhag **Attorney for Defendant**

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Hearing held by BlueJeans remote conferencing. Arguments by Mr. Shanbhag and Mr. Iglody. Court stated ITS FINDINGS and ORDERED, Motion for Attorneys' Fees GRANTED; however, will review issue of work performed. Decision forthcoming. Mr. Iglody requested method to set discovery conference. Colloguy regarding whether answer filed. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, Discovery Conference SET in 30 days. COURT DIRECTED, counsel to meet and confer and submit case conference report in advance of hearing.

6/9/21 9:00 AM DISCOVERY CONFERENCE

Printed Date: 5/13/2021 Page 1 of 1 Minutes Date: May 12, 2021

Prepared by: Christopher Darling

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify pursuant to NRAP 25(c), that on the 9th day of August, 2021, I caused service of a true and correct copy of the foregoing **APPENDIX TO PETITIONERS' WRIT OF MANDAMUS** by the following means:

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