# IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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### TESSIE ELMA ALMARIO,

Petitioner,

vs.

EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, CLARK COUNTY, AND THE HONORABLE DAWN R. THRONE, Respondents,

And

SHERYL ATTERBERG, ON BEHALF OF HER ADULT WARD RODNEY WILKINSON,

Real Party in Interest,

And

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF NEVADA,

Real Party in Interest.

# Petition for Writ of Mandamus or Prohibition

From the Eighth Judicial District Court, Family Division, Clark County Honorable Dawn R. Throne, District Court Judge

## APPENDIX

## VOL. 1

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7	Attorney for Plaintiff
8	DISTRICT COURT, FAMILY DIVISION
9	CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA TESSIE E. WILKINSON, )
10	) Plaintiff, ) CASE NO:
11	vs. ) DEPT NO:
12	RODNEY WILKINSON,
13	Defendant.
14	COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE
15	COMES NOW the Plaintiff, TESSIE E. WILKINSON, by and through her legal
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17	counsel DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ., of the STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP and
18	files her complaint against the Defendant, <b>RODNEY WILKINSON</b> , and alleges as follows:
19	I.
20	That Plaintiff has been physically present and domiciled in, and an actual, bona fide
21	resident of the State of Nevada, County of Clark for more than six (6) weeks immediately
22	preceding the commencement of this action.
23	II.
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25	That Plaintiff and Defendant were duly and legally married on March 22, 2008 in
26	Burlington, Colorado and have been since that time, and are at the present time, husband and
27 28	wife.
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1	III.
2	That there are no minor children born to the issue of this marriage. To the Plaintiff's
3	knowledge, she is not pregnant at this time and the parties have not adopted any minor children.
4	IV.
6	That there are sole and separate properties of each of the parties to be confirmed as the
7	sole and separate properties of each of the parties by the Court.
8	VIII.
9	That there is community property of the parties to be equitably divided and adjudicated
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11	by the Court.
12	IX.
13	That there are community debts of the parties to be equitably divided and adjudicated by
14	the Court.
15	X.
16 17	That the Plaintiff be awarded spousal support/alimony from the Defendant.
18	XIII.
19	That Plaintiff has been compelled to obtain the services of an attorney to prosecute this
20	action, and is therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
21	XIV.
22	That Plaintiff and the Defendant are incompatible in their tastes, natures, views, likes and
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24	dislikes, which have become widely separate and divergent so that the parties hereto have been,
25	and now are, incompatible to such an extent that it now appears that there is no possibility of
26	reconciliation between Plaintiff and Defendant, and that a happy marital status can no longer
27	exist.
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1	WH	EREFORE, PLAINTIFF prays for judgment of this Court which:
2	1.	Wholly dissolves the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between
3		the parties and that the parties, and each of them, be restored to the status of single
4		unmarried person;
5	2.	Confirms the sole and separate properties of each of the parties;
7	3.	Equitably divides the community property of the parties;
8	4.	Equitably divides the community debts of the parties;
9	5.	Orders the Defendant to pay the Plaintiff spousal support/alimony;
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11	6.	Orders the Defendant to pay the Plaintiff's reasonable attorney's fees and her
12		costs of Court; and
13	7.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in the
14		premises.
15	DAT	TED this day of September, 2019.
16 17		STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP
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19		A. A.
20		DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 11792
21		4270 S. Decatur Blvd., Suite B10
22		Las Vegas, Nevada 89103 Attorney for Plaintiff
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VERIFICATION
TESSIE E. WILKINSON, being first duly sworn upon her oath, deposes and states:
1. That I am over the age of 18 years and I am competent to testify as to the matters
contained in this Affidavit.
2. That I am the Plaintiff in the above-entitled action; that I have read the above and
foregoing Complaint for Divorce and know the contents thereof; the same is true of my own
knowledge, except for those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to those
matters, I believe them to be true.
3. That I have lived in Nevada for at least six (6) weeks prior to the filing of the
Complaint for Divorce.
4. That I have read the Complaint for Divorce and can testify that all of the
allegations contained therein are true.
5. That the Défendant and I are incompatible in marriage.
6. That there is no possibility that the Defendant and I will reconcile.
DATED this <u>b</u> day of <u>Septembr</u> , 2019.
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TESSIE E. WILKINSON
STATE OF NEVADA ) ) ss:
COUNTY OF CLARK )
SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this $6^{\mu}$ day of September, 2019.
Samara Erab
NOTARY PUBLIC in the State of Nevada, County of Clark
TAMARA EADS
4 NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEVADA CLARK COUNTY My Commission Expires: 02/26/23 Certificate No: 19-1682-1

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10	TESSIE E. WILKINSON,	
11	Plaintiff,	) CASE NO: ) DEPT NO:
12	vs.	
13	RODNEY WILKINSON,	
14		)
15	Defendant.	
16	REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF	JOINT PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION
17	I respectfully request that the Court	issue a Joint Preliminary Injunction in the above-
18	entitled action pursuant to EDCR 5.517.	
19 20	<b>DATED</b> this <u>day</u> of Septemb	per, 2019.
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5	VS. DEPARTMENT G
6	RODNEY WILKINSON, DEFENDANT.
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8	JOINT PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION
9	Notice: This injunction is effective upon the requesting party when issued and against
10	the other party when served. This injunction shall remain in effect from the time of its issuance until trial or until dissolved or modified by the court.
12	TO: Plaintiff and Defendant:
13	PURSUANT TO EIGHTH JUDICIAL COURT RULE 5.517, YOU, AND ANY
14	OFFICERS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES OR A PERSON IN ACTIVE
15	CONCERT OR PARTICIPATION WITH YOU, ARE HEREBY PROHIBITED AND
16	RESTRAINED FROM:
17	1. Transferring, encumbering, concealing, selling or otherwise disposing of any of your
18	joint, common or community property of the parties or any property which is the
19	subject of a claim of community interest, except in the usual course of conduct or for
20	the necessities of life or for retention of counsel for the case in which this Injunction
21	is obtained; or cashing, borrowing against, canceling, transferring, disposing of, or
22	changing the beneficiaries of:,
23	a. Any retirement benefits or pension plan held for the benefit (or election for
24	benefit) of the parties or any minor child; or
25	b. Any insurance coverage, including life, health, automobile, and disability coverage;
26	without the written consent of the parties or the permission of the court.
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1 2 3 4 5	<ol> <li>Molesting, harassing, stalking, disturbing the peace of or committing an assault or battery on the person of the other party or any child, stepchild, other relative or family pet of the parties.</li> <li>Relocating any child of the parties under the jurisdiction of the State of Nevada from the state without the prior written consent of all parties with custodial rights or the permission of the court.</li> </ol>
6    7	DATED this 11th day of September, 2019:
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9	Bryce C. Duckworth
10	Presiding Judge, Family Division
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9	CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA
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11	Plaintiff, ) DEPT NO: G
12	vs.
13 14	RODNEY WILKINSON,
14	) Defendant. )
16	ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE
17	RODNEY WILKINSON, hereby Accepts Service of the COMPLAINT FOR
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19	DIVORCE, JOINT PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION and SUMMONS in the above-
20	captioned matter, on this <u>2</u> S day of <u>November</u> , 2019.
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23	RODNEY WILKINSON
24	613 Eagle drive Apt 36 Newtown, ND 58763
25	Defendant in Proper Person
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10         Plaintiff,         )         CASE NO: D-19-596071-D           10         Plaintiff,         )         DEPT NO: G
11 Vs. )
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13 Defendant.
14 It appearing from the files and records in the above entitled action that <b>RODNEY</b>
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WILKINSON, Defendant herein, being duly served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint
17 on November 25, 2019; that more than 20 days, exclusive of the day of service, having expired
18 since service upon Defendant; that no Answer or other appearance having been filed; no further
19 time having been granted; no response being received, the default of <b>RODNEY WILKINSON</b>
20 for failing to Answer or otherwise plead to Plaintiff's Complaint is hereby entered.
21 STEVEN D. GRIERSON CLERK OF COURT
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23 24 By: Deputy Clerk Desire Darris Date 12/20/2019
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ADAS Your Name: <u>Rodney Wilkinson</u> Address: <u>613 Eagle Dr Apt 36</u> City, State, Zip: <u>Newtown, NP 58763</u> Phone: <u>785-824-4700</u> Email: <u>Self-Represented Defendant</u>

### DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Tessie E Wilkinson

Plaintiff.

VS.	
Rodney	Wilkinson
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CASE NO.: 0-19-596071-0 DEPT NO.:

### **ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE**

Defendant (vour name) Rodney E Wilkinson, respectfully states:

- 1. Defendant admits the following allegations: (write the paragraph numbers from the Complaint you agree with) I, II, III, IV, VIJI, IX, X, XIII, XIV, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
- 2. Defendant denies the following allegations: (write the paragraph numbers from the Complaint you disagree with) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to admit or deny the following allegations: (write the paragraph numbers you are unsure about)

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Answer (Divorce)

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#### **Defendant requests:**

- 1. That the marriage existing between Plaintiff and Defendant be dissolved and that Defendant be granted an absolute Decree of Divorce and that each of the parties be restored to the status of a single, unmarried person; and
- 2. For such other relief as the Court finds to be just and proper.

DATED this (day) 16th day of (month) January, 2020.

(print your name) Rodney E Wilkinson

### **VERIFICATION**

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I am the Defendant in the above-entitled action; that I have read the foregoing Answer and know the contents thereof; that the pleading is true of my own knowledge, except for those matters therein contained stated upon information and belief, and that as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

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

DATED this (day) 16th day of (month) January, 2020. Submitted By: (your signature) . Ruy Wilk My (print your name) Podncy E Wilkinson

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8	CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA
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10	Plaintiff, ) vs. CASE NO: D-19-596071-D
11	RODNEY WILKINSON,
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13	Defendant.
14	NOTICE OF ENTRY OF STIPULATION AND ORDER TO SET ASIDE DEFAULT
15	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Stipulation and Order to Set Aside Default was entered
16	in the above-captioned matter on the 28 <sup>th</sup> day of January 2020, a true and correct copy of which
17	is attached hereto.
18	DATED this 256 day of January 2020.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Steinberg & Dawson Law Group and that on January 29, 2020, pursuant to N.R.C.P. 5(b)(2)(D), and EDCR 8.05, a true and correct copy of the Notice of Entry Of Stipulation and Order To Set Aside Default was served on Defendant by: U.S. Mail, First Class, postage prepaid to the person(s) identified below; X Via Facsimile at the number(s) identified below: Via Electronic mail to the person(s) identified below: Via Electronic mail utilizing the Odyssey E-file and Serve system to the person(s) identified below as follows: Rodney Wilkinson 613 Eagle drive Apt 36 Newtown, ND 58763 Defendant in Proper Person An Employee of the Steinberg & Dawson Law Group 

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14	RODNEY WILKINSON, )
15	Defendant)
16	AFFIDAVIT OF RESIDENT WITNESS
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18	I, Steven Zahradnik, do hereby swear to the truth of the following statement:
19	1. At all times relevant hereto I was and am a citizen of the United States, and I am over
20	eighteen (18) years of age;
21	2. That I am a resident of Clark County, Nevada, and I have resided here since April 2015.
22	3. That I have personal knowledge and am competent to testify that Tessie E. Wilkinson is a
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24	bona fide and actual resident of Clark County, Nevada, and I have seen her physically
25	present and residing in said County and State, at 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave., Las Vegas,
26	Nevada 89178, since April 2015 and at least 4-5 times per week for the 6 weeks prior to
27	the filing of the Complaint.
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4. I know Tessie E. Wilkinson because she is my friend. 1 2 3 20 in SIGNATURE 4 5 ADDRESS: 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave. 6 Las Vegas, NV. 89178 7 8 STATE OF NEVADA 9 ) ss: COUNTY OF CLARK 10 ) 11 SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 30th day of January, 2020. 12 13 TAMARA EADS (14 NOTARY PUBLIC NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEVADA CLARK COUNTY 15 . Commission Expires: 02/26/23 Certificate No: 19-1682-1 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 2

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15	REQUEST FOR SUMMARY DISPOSITION
16	COMES NOW the Plaintiff, <b>TESSIE WILKINSON</b> , by and through her counsel of
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19	record, DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ., of STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP and
20	requests this Court for a summary disposition of her Decree of Divorce without a hearing.
21	Dated this Adday of January, 2020.
22	STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP
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24	DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ.
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27	Attorney for Plaintiff
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	PLAINTIFF'S AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR SUMMARY DISPOSITION
	I, Tessie Wilkinson, depose and state as follows:
1.	I am the Plaintiff in Wilkinson v. Wilkinson, D-19-596247-D
2.	I have personal knowledge about the facts contained in this affidavit, save those stated
	upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.
3.	I am competent and willing to testify in a court of law as to the facts contained in this
	affidavit.
4.	My current address is 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave., Las Vegas, Nevada 89178.
5.	I have lived in Clark County, Nevada for more than six weeks prior to the filing of the
	Complaint in this action.
6.	Clark County, Nevada is the proper venue for this action.
7.	Defendant and I were married on March 22, 2008, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
8.	Defendant and I are incompatible in marriage. Our likes and dislikes have become so
	divergent that we can no longer live together as husband and wife. Reconciliation is n
	possible.
9.	That there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage. No minor children we
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10	. That the following community property shall be set over and hereby awarded to Rodr
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11	. The Chevrolet Suburban VIN ending in 9469;
12	. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;
13	. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension plans
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1	14. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to him;
2	15. Any and all bank accounts in his name only not otherwise herein named; and
3	16. Any personal items currently in his possession.
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5	17. That the following community property shall be set over and hereby awarded to the Tessie
6 7	Wilkinson as her sole and separate property:
8	US Bank account ending in the numbers 8904 with a current approximate value of \$373;
9	The real property located at 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada 89178;
10	The real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
11	The 2012 Chevrolet Corvette VIN ending in 0723;
12	The Service Truck VIN 2GCFK29K951206963;
13	The 1977 Kenworth Winch Truck VIN 155197SG2;
14 15	The following heavy equipment:
16	a. P & H 140 Ton crane, Model 9125-TC;
17	b. Manitowac 100 ton crane, Model 3900A, SN 39670;
18	c. Lima 90 ton crane, Model 990TC;
19	d. P & H 90 ton crane, Model 8115TC, SN 35419;
20	e. P & H 50 ton crane;
21 22	f. P & H 25 ton crane;
23	g. P & H 70 ton crane;
24	h. 2 bulldozers;
25	i. 1977 Kenworth VIN 055097SGL;
26	j. 1972 Peterbilt ID 41337P, FHP364802;
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28	k. 1955 Mack VIN B705T1209;

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11	t. Autocar Winch Truck;
12	u. Maritime Hydraulic Drilling Rig;
14	v. Any and all tools located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735.
15	Any and all rights assigned to Rodney Wilkinson through the contract with Dan Fontenot
16	of Synergy Oil Field Services, LLC.
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26	The loan on the real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
27 28	The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of \$20,000;
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11	The US Bank credit account ending in the numbers 9270 with an approximate current
12	balance of \$4,300;
13	Any and all student loan debts in her name only;
14	Any and all credit card debt in her name only;
15 16	Any and all credit instruments in her name only.
17	20. That Tessie Wilkinson shall receive the sum of \$3,000 per month from Rodney Wilkinson
18	for the duration of her life as and for Spousal Support. This amount shall be due on or
19	before the 10 <sup>th</sup> day of each month.
20	21. That Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name to wit: Tessie Elma Almario.
21 22	22. I wish the court to enter an absolute decree of divorce without a hearing.
23	23. I agree to all the terms listed in the Decree of Divorce.
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. TESSIE WILKINSON STATE OF NEVADA ) ) ss: COUNTY OF CLARK ) SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this  $30^{\text{M}}$  day of January, 2020. NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State 

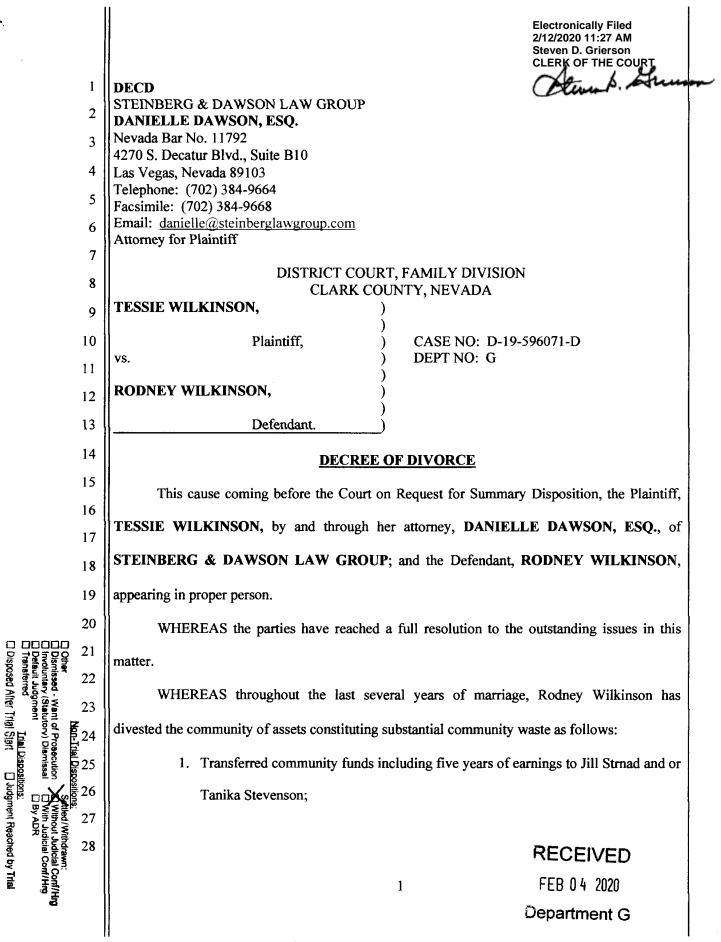
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22	22. I wish the court to enter an absolute decree of divorce without a hearing.
23	23. I agree to all the terms listed in the Decree of Divorce.
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. **TESSIE WILKINSON** STATE OF NEVADA ) ) ss: COUNTY OF CLARK ) SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 20 day of January, 2020. TAMARA EADS NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEVADA NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State CLARK COUNTY My Commission Expires: 02/26/23 Certificate No: 19-1682-1 



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12	IT IS SO STIPULATED.
13	DATED this 21 day of January 2020. DATED this 17th day of January, 2020.
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15 16	DANHELLE DAWSON, ESQ. RODNEY WILKINSON
10	Nevada Bar No. 11792 Defendant in Proper Person
18	Attorney for Plaintiff
19	<u>ORDER</u>
20	UPON THE FOREGOING STIPULATION of the parties, and this appearing to be a
21	proper case therefor:
22	<b>THAT</b> the Court has complete jurisdiction in the premises, both as to the subject matter
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24	thereof as well as the parties thereto;
25	THAT the Plaintiff now is, and has been, an actual bona fide resident of the County of
26	Clark, State of Nevada, and has been actually domiciled therein for more than six (6) weeks
27 28	immediately preceding the verification of the Complaint for Divorce in this action;
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1	THAT the parties were duly and legally married on March 22, 2008 in Burlington,	
2	Colorado and have been since that time, and are at the present time, husband and wife.	
4	THAT the Plaintiff believes that all of the allegations contained in her Complaint for	
5	Divorce are true and that the Plaintiff is entitled to the relief sought subject to the terms as set	
6	forth in this Decree of Divorce;	
7	THAT the parties have waived Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, written Notice of	
8	Entry of Judgment, and to move for a new Trial in said cause;	
9	THAT there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage. No minor children	
10	were adopted and Plaintiff is not now pregnant.	
11 12	NOW, THEREFORE, by reason of the law in such cases made and provided, and the	
13	Court deeming this a proper case therefore,	
14	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing	
15	between Plaintiff and Defendant be, and the same are hereby wholly dissolved, and an absolute	
16	Decree of Divorce is hereby granted to the Plaintiff and each of the parties hereto is hereby	
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25	this Decree that would have been community property or otherwise jointly-held property under
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1 (1) The full market value of the other Party's interest on the date of this Decree, plus 2 statutory interest through and including the date of transfer or conveyance; or 3 (2) The full market value of the other Party's interest at the time that Party discovers that 4 he has an interest in such property, plus statutory interest through and including the date 5 of transfer or conveyance; or 6 7 (3) An amount of the omitted property equal to the other Party's interest herein, if it is 8 reasonably susceptible to division. 9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except as otherwise specified herein, any and all 10 property acquired or income received by either party from and after the date of entry of this 11 Decree shall be the sole and separate property of that party, and each party respectively grants to 12 the other all such further acquisitions of property as the sole and separate property of the one so 13 14 acquiring the same. Each party shall have an immediate right to dispose of, or bequeath by Will, 15 his respective interest in and to any and all property belonging to him from and after the date 16 hereof, and such rights shall extend to all of the future acquisitions of property as well as to all 17 property set over to either of the parties hereto by this Decree. 18 19 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and 20 hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate debts: 21 1. The loan on the real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735; 22 2. The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of 23 \$20,000; 24 3. Any and all tax debts in his name only; 25 26 4. Any and all student loan debts in his name only; 27 5. Any and all credit card debt in his name only; 28 9

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Decree and the division of community assets within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Decree, except as otherwise provided herein. Should either party fail to execute any of said documents to transfer interest to the other, then this Decree shall constitute a full transfer of the interest of one to the other, as herein provided. It is further agreed that pursuant to NRCP 70, the Clerk of the Court shall be deemed to have hereby been appointed and empowered to sign, on behalf of the non-signing party, any of the said documents of transfer which have not been executed by the party otherwise responsible for such.

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that it is hereby mutually understood and agreed by and 10 between the parties hereto that this Decree of Divorce is deemed to be a final, conclusive and 11 integrated agreement between the parties, and that except as herein specified, each party hereto is 12 13 hereby released and absolved from any and all liabilities and obligations for the future and past 14 acts and duties of the other, and that each of the said parties hereby releases the other from any 15 and all liabilities, future accounts, alimony and support or otherwise, or debts or obligations of 16 any kind or character incurred by the other except as provided herein provided, it being 17 understood that his instrument is intended to settle finally and conclusively the rights of the 18 parties hereto in all respects arising out of their marital relationship except as provided herein. 19

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions in this Decree are fair and reasonable 21 and the parties agree to be bound by all its terms. The parties further acknowledge that they have 22 made an independent investigation into the existence and value of the assets and liabilities 23 divided hereunder, and the tax consequences, if any. The parties hereby waive any and all claims 24 against Danielle Dawson, Esq. of Steinberg Law Group related to the value and/or existence of 25 26 any asset divided hereunder or the tax consequences resulting therefrom. The parties further 27 acknowledge that they did not receive tax advice from Danielle Dawson, Esq. and have been 28

1 advised to seek the advice of a tax expert for any tax related questions they may have. The
2 parties have further been advised to seek the advice of independent counsel regarding these
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each party acknowledges that they have read this 5 Decree of Divorce and fully understand the contents and accept the same as equitable and just, 6 7 that the parties agree this Decree of Divorce has been reached via negotiation and in the spirit of 8 compromise, and that there has been no promise, agreement or understanding of either of the 9 parties to the other except as set forth herein, which have been relied upon by either as a matter 10 of inducement to enter into this agreement, and each party hereto has had the time and 11 opportunity to be advised by an attorney and has been encouraged to do so. The parties further 12 acknowledge that this stipulated Decree of Divorce is a global resolution of their case and that 13 14 each provision herein is made in consideration of all the terms in the Decree of Divorce as a 15 whole. The parties further acknowledge that they have entered into this stipulated Decree of 16 Divorce without undue influence or coercion, or misrepresentation, or for any other cause except 17 as stated herein. 18

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should it be necessary for either Party to enforce the
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall submit the information required in NRS 125B.055, NRS 125.130 and NRS 125.230 on a separate form to the Court and the Welfare Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days from the date this Decree is filed. Such information shall be maintained by the Clerk in a confidential manner and not part of the public record. The parties shall update the information filed with the Court and the Welfare

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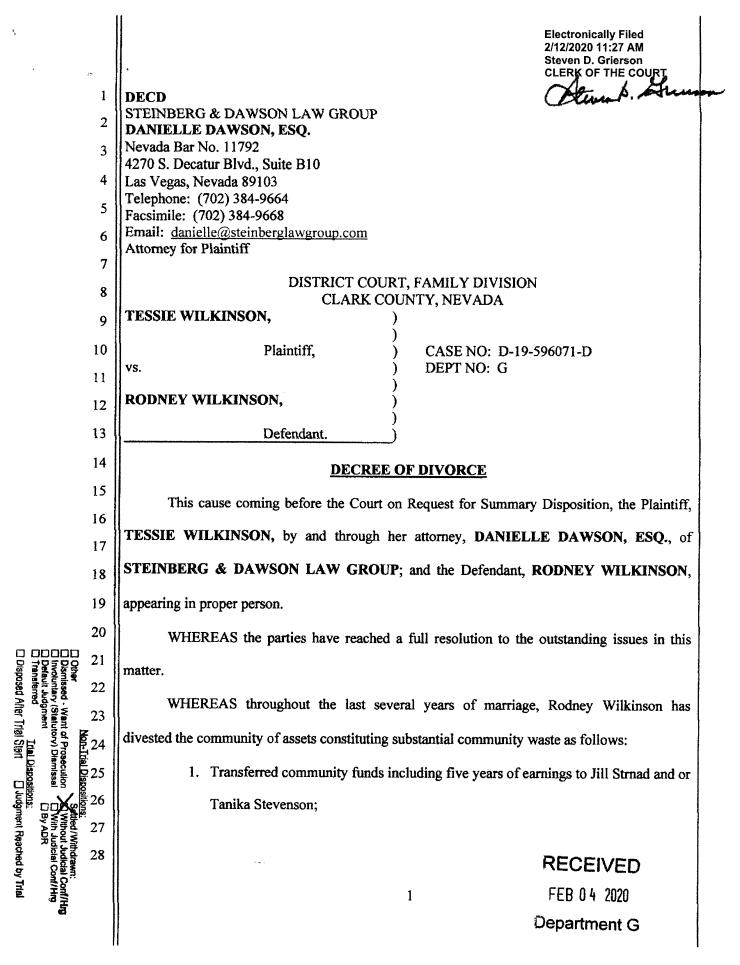
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8	I understand that the foregoing document has been prepared by Danielle Dawson, Esq., of
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11	Tessie Wilkinson, in the within action, and does not represent my interests in this matter.
12	I have been informed of my right to retain my own counsel.
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5	Telephone: (702) 384-9664 Facsimile: (702) 384-9668
6	Email: danielle@steinberglawgroup.com
7	Attorney for Plaintiff
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12	) RODNEY WILKINSON,
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14	Defendant)
15	NOTICE OF ENTRY OF DECREE OF DIVORCE
16	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Decree of Divorce was entered in the above-captioned
17	matter on February 12, 2020, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto.
18	<b>DATED</b> this $12$ day of February, 2020.
19	STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP
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22	DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 11792
23	4270 S. Decatur Blvd., Suite B10 Las Vegas, Nevada 89103
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Steinberg & Dawson Law Group and that on February 13, 2020, pursuant to N.R.C.P. 5(b)(2)(D), and EDCR 8.05, a true and correct copy of the Notice of Entry of Decree of Divorce was served on Defendant by U.S. Mail, First Class, postage prepaid to the person(s) identified below: Rodney Wilkinson 613 Eagle Drive Apt 36 Newtown, ND 58763 Defendant in Proper Person nd An Employee of the Steinberg & Dawson Law Group 



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° 9	and costs in this matter.		
10	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name		
11	to wit: Tessie Elma Almario.		
12	IT IS SO STIPULATED.		
13	DATED this 2 day of January 2020. DATED this 17th day of January, 2020.		
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15	D. Dr Ren Pillun		
16	DANHELLE DAWSON, ESQ.       RODNEY WILKINSON         Nevada Bar No. 11792       Defendant in Proper Person		
17	Nevada Bar No. 11792         Defendant in Proper Person           Attorney for Plaintiff         Defendant in Proper Person		
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19	ORDER		
20	UPON THE FOREGOING STIPULATION of the parties, and this appearing to be a		
21	proper case therefor:		
22	THAT the Court has complete jurisdiction in the premises, both as to the subject matter		
23 24	thereof as well as the parties thereto;		
24	THAT the Plaintiff now is, and has been, an actual bona fide resident of the County of		
26	Clark, State of Nevada, and has been actually domiciled therein for more than six (6) weeks		
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28	immediately preceding the verification of the Complaint for Divorce in this action;		
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1	THAT the parties were duly and legally married on March 22, 2008 in Burlington,		
2	Colorado and have been since that time, and are at the present time, husband and wife.		
3	THAT the Plaintiff believes that all of the allegations contained in her Complaint for		
4 5	Divorce are true and that the Plaintiff is entitled to the relief sought subject to the terms as set		
6	forth in this Decree of Divorce;		
7	THAT the parties have waived Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, written Notice of		
8	Entry of Judgment, and to move for a new Trial in said cause;		
9	THAT there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage. No minor children		
10	were adopted and Plaintiff is not now pregnant.		
11	NOW, THEREFORE, by reason of the law in such cases made and provided, and the		
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13	Court deeming this a proper case therefore,		
15	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing		
16	between Plaintiff and Defendant be, and the same are hereby wholly dissolved, and an absolute		
17	Decree of Divorce is hereby granted to the Plaintiff and each of the parties hereto is hereby		
18	restored to the status of a single, unmarried person.		
19	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community property shall be set over		
20 21	and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate property:		
21	1. The Chevrolet Suburban VIN ending in 9469;		
23	2. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;		
24	3. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension plans or		
25	otherwise in his name only not otherwise herein named;		
26	4. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to him;		
27	5. Any and all bank accounts in his name only not otherwise herein named; and		
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1	6.	Any j	personal items currently in his possession.
2	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community property shall be set over		
3	and hereby awarded to the Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate property:		
4		1.	US Bank account ending in the numbers 8904 with a current approximate value of
5 6	\$373;		
7	2. The real property located at 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada		
8	89178;		
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10			The real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
11		4.	The 2012 Chevrolet Corvette VIN ending in 0723;
12		5.	The Service Truck VIN 2GCFK29K951206963;
13	6. The 1977 Kenworth Winch Truck VIN 155197SG2;		
14	7. The following heavy equipment:		
15 16	a. P & H 140 Ton crane, Model 9125-TC;		
17	b. Manitowac 100 ton crane, Model 3900A, SN 39670;		
18	c. Lima 90 ton crane, Model 990TC;		
19	d. P & H 90 ton crane, Model 8115TC, SN 35419;		
20			P & H 50 ton crane;
21		f	P & H 25 ton crane;
22	g. P & H 70 ton crane;		
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24	h. 2 bulldozers;		
25	i. 1977 Kenworth VIN 055097SGL;		
26 27		-	. 1972 Peterbilt ID 41337P, FHP364802;
28		k	. 1955 Mack VIN B705T1209;
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1	1. 1955 Kenworth VIN 64338;	
2	m. 1959 Mack VIN B73S1370;	
3	n. 1962 Mack winch truck;	
4	o. 6000 Cherry Picker;	
6	p. 100 ton press;	
7	q. Lo Boy 35 ton Cozad Trailer # CC80062;	
8	r. 1993 Western Star Boom Truck Serial No. 2WKPDCCHIPK931154;	
9	s. 750 Holmes Wrecker Tow Truck;	
10	t. Autocar Winch Truck;	
11 12	u. Maritime Hydraulic Drilling Rig;	
13	v. Any and all tools located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735.	
14	14. Any and all rights assigned to Rodney Wilkinson through the contract with Dan	
15	Fontenot of Synergy Oil Field Services, LLC.	
16	8. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;	
17 18	9. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension	
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20	10. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to her;	
21	11. Any and all bank accounts in her name only; and	
22	12. Any personal items currently in her possession.	
23	IT IS FUDTHED ODDEDED that in the event that any momenty has been emitted from	
24	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event that any property has been omitted from	
25 26	this Decree that would have been community property or otherwise jointly-held property under	
20	applicable law as of the date hereof, the concealing or possessory Party will transfer or convey to	
28	the other Party, at the other Party's election:	
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1 (1) The full market value of the other Party's interest on the date of this Decree, plus 2 statutory interest through and including the date of transfer or conveyance; or 3 (2) The full market value of the other Party's interest at the time that Party discovers that 4 he has an interest in such property, plus statutory interest through and including the date 5 of transfer or conveyance; or 6 7 (3) An amount of the omitted property equal to the other Party's interest herein, if it is 8 reasonably susceptible to division. 9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except as otherwise specified herein, any and all 10 property acquired or income received by either party from and after the date of entry of this 11 Decree shall be the sole and separate property of that party, and each party respectively grants to 12 the other all such further acquisitions of property as the sole and separate property of the one so 13 14 acquiring the same. Each party shall have an immediate right to dispose of, or bequeath by Will, 15 his respective interest in and to any and all property belonging to him from and after the date 16 hereof, and such rights shall extend to all of the future acquisitions of property as well as to all 17 property set over to either of the parties hereto by this Decree. 18 19 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and 20 hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate debts: 21 1. The loan on the real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735; 22 2. The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of 23 \$20,000; 24 3. Any and all tax debts in his name only; 25 26 4. Any and all student loan debts in his name only; 27 5. Any and all credit card debt in his name only; 28 9

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. 1	6. Any and all credit instruments in his name only.		
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3	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and		
4	hereby awarded to Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate debts:		
5	1. The Chase credit account ending in the numbers 9416 with an approximate		
6	current balance of \$3,860;		
7	2. The US Bank credit account ending in the numbers 9270 with an approximate		
8	current balance of \$4,300;		
9	3. Any and all student loan debts in her name only;		
10 11	4. Any and all credit card debt in her name only;		
12	5. Any and all credit instruments in her name only.		
13	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any claim, action or proceeding is brought seeking		
14	to hold the other party liable on account of any debt, obligation, liability act or omission assumed		
15	by the other Party, such party will, at his or her sole expense, defend the other against any such claim or demand and that he or she will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party.		
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17 18	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tessie Wilkinson shall receive the sum of \$3,000 per		
19	month from Rodney Wilkinson for the duration of her life as and for Spousal Support. This		
20	amount shall be due on or before the 10 <sup>th</sup> day of each month.		
21	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any claim, action or proceeding is brought seeking		
22	to hold the other party liable on account of any debt, obligation, liability act or omission assumed		
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24	by the other Party, such party will, at his sole expense, defend the other against any such claim or		
25 26	demand and that he will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party.		
20	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each Party shall execute any and all legal documents,		
28	certificates of title, bills of sale, deeds or other evidence transfer necessary to effectuate this		
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Decree and the division of community assets within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Decree, except as otherwise provided herein. Should either party fail to execute any of said documents to transfer interest to the other, then this Decree shall constitute a full transfer of the interest of one to the other, as herein provided. It is further agreed that pursuant to NRCP 70, the Clerk of the Court shall be deemed to have hereby been appointed and empowered to sign, on behalf of the non-signing party, any of the said documents of transfer which have not been executed by the party otherwise responsible for such.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that it is hereby mutually understood and agreed by and 10 between the parties hereto that this Decree of Divorce is deemed to be a final, conclusive and 11 integrated agreement between the parties, and that except as herein specified, each party hereto is 12 13 hereby released and absolved from any and all liabilities and obligations for the future and past 14 acts and duties of the other, and that each of the said parties hereby releases the other from any 15 and all liabilities, future accounts, alimony and support or otherwise, or debts or obligations of 16 any kind or character incurred by the other except as provided herein provided, it being 17 understood that his instrument is intended to settle finally and conclusively the rights of the 18 parties hereto in all respects arising out of their marital relationship except as provided herein. 19

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions in this Decree are fair and reasonable 21 and the parties agree to be bound by all its terms. The parties further acknowledge that they have 22 made an independent investigation into the existence and value of the assets and liabilities 23 divided hereunder, and the tax consequences, if any. The parties hereby waive any and all claims 24 against Danielle Dawson, Esq. of Steinberg Law Group related to the value and/or existence of 25 26 any asset divided hereunder or the tax consequences resulting therefrom. The parties further 27 acknowledge that they did not receive tax advice from Danielle Dawson, Esq. and have been 28

advised to seek the advice of a tax expert for any tax related questions they may have. The parties have further been advised to seek the advice of independent counsel regarding these terms.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each party acknowledges that they have read this 5 Decree of Divorce and fully understand the contents and accept the same as equitable and just, 6 7 that the parties agree this Decree of Divorce has been reached via negotiation and in the spirit of 8 compromise, and that there has been no promise, agreement or understanding of either of the 9 parties to the other except as set forth herein, which have been relied upon by either as a matter 10 of inducement to enter into this agreement, and each party hereto has had the time and 11 opportunity to be advised by an attorney and has been encouraged to do so. The parties further 12 acknowledge that this stipulated Decree of Divorce is a global resolution of their case and that 13 14 each provision herein is made in consideration of all the terms in the Decree of Divorce as a 15 whole. The parties further acknowledge that they have entered into this stipulated Decree of 16 Divorce without undue influence or coercion, or misrepresentation, or for any other cause except 17 as stated herein. 18

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should it be necessary for either Party to enforce the
 terms of this Decree, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover their attorneys' fees and
 costs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall submit the information required in NRS 125B.055, NRS 125.130 and NRS 125.230 on a separate form to the Court and the Welfare Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days from the date this Decree is filed. Such information shall be maintained by the Clerk in a confidential manner and not part of the public record. The parties shall update the information filed with the Court and the Welfare

1 Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days should any of that information 2 become inaccurate. 3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name to 4 wit: Tessie Elma Almario. 5 G DATED this <u><u>\_</u><u>/</u></u> day of 2020. 6 7 8 DISTRICT COURT 9 Rhonda K. Forsberg **STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP** 10 11 12 DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ. **RODNEY WILKINSON** 13 613 Eagle Drive Apt 36 Nevada Bar No. 11792 14 Newtown, ND 58763 4270 S. Decatur Blvd., Suite B10 Las Vegas, Nevada 89103 Defendant in Proper Person 15 Attorney for Defendant 16 17 18 **FESSIE WILKINSON** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 13

1 **VERIFICATION OF TESSIE WILKINSON** 2 I, Tessie Wilkinson, being duly sworn under the penalties of perjury, depose and say: 3 I am the Plaintiff herein, and I have read the foregoing Stipulated Decree of Divorce and 4 know the contents thereof; that the same is true to the best of my own knowledge, except as to 5 those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them 6 7 to be true. 8 9 TESSIE WILKINSON 10 STATE OF NEVADA ) 11 ) ss. COUNTY OF CLARK ) 12 21 \_\_\_\_ day of UNUGNY, 2020. 13 SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this \_ 14 ne Mod 15 JACQUELINE MORA lotary Public-State of Nevada 16 APPT. NO. 10-2780-1 My Appt. Expires 06-15-2022 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 14

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1	VERIFICATION OF RODNEY WILKINSON		
2	I, Rodney witkinson, being duly sworn under the penalties of perjury, deposes and says:		
3	I am the Defendant herein, and I have read the foregoing Stipulated Decree of Divorce		
4	and know the contents thereof; that the same is true to the best of my own knowledge, except as		
6	to those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe		
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8	them to be true.		
9	I understand that the foregoing document has been prepared by Danielle Dawson, Esq., of		
10	the Law Firm of Steinberg & Dawson Law Group, who represents the interests of the Plaintiff,		
11	Tessie Wilkinson, in the within action, and does not represent my interests in this matter.		
12	I have been informed of my right to retain my own counsel.		
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15	Rodney Wilkinson		
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19	SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before Me this day of _)@ru(ury_, 2020.		
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22	BETHANY HAAN		
23 24	Notary Public State of North Dekota		
24	My commission expires Aug 30, 2023		
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		20	COURT WITHOUT A HEARING PRIOR TO Page 1 of	THE SCHEDULED HEARING DATE.

## DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO SET ASIDE THE DIVORCE DECREE PURSUANT TO NRCP 60(b)

COMES NOW Sheryl Atterberg, Co-Guardian for her Adult Ward, Defendant, Rodney Wilkinson, by and through her attorney of record, James W. Kwon, Esq., of the law firm James Kwon, LLC, and respectfully submits *Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Divorce Decree Pursuant to NRCP 60(b) on Order Shortening Time*. Sheryl Atterberg is requesting that the Court set aside the Decree of Divorce, filed February 12, 2020 in the above-stated matter, as well as Defendant Rodney Wilkinson's Answer, filed January 17, 2020.

9 This is a clear case of Fraud Upon the Court. This fraud circumvented 10 Nevada Policy requiring equal distribution of marital property and led to the Court 11 becoming complicit in Elder Abuse. As this Court is aware, the Nevada Supreme 12 Court has consistently overturned a District Court's decision not to grant relief 13 under Rule 60 when there has been an inequitable distribution of the marital estate. 14 Plaintiff, Tessie E. Wilkinson a/k/a Tessie Elma Almario (hereinafter 15 "Tessie"), knew that Defendant, Rodney Wilkinson (hereinafter "Rodney")<sup>1</sup>, had 16 Dementia and that it was so far advance that she could have a divorce decree 17 rubber-stamped that awarded her millions and Rodney nothing.

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20 <sup>1</sup> For clarity sake when discussing the Plaintiff, the focus will be on Rodney rather than references to his guardian, Mrs. Sheryl Atterberg, who brings this motion as a friend of the Court.

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Rodney<sup>2</sup> was diagnosed with Dementia less than three months after the
 Decree's entry. A diagnosis that determined Rodney's Dementia was so far
 advanced that he required a permanent guardian as he was incapable of caring for
 himself. Put another way, this case is not one in which someone comes back to
 the Court years later screaming fraud. Additionally, a Colorado Court determined
 that Rodney's 2017 Traumatic Brain Injury and Dementia required the
 appointment of a permanent guardianship.

8 Tessie knew that Rodney was incapacitated. She hid his cognitive 9 impairment from both the Court and her attorney to gain an unfair advantage by 10 stealing millions of dollars of assets from her husband, a 65-year-old man.

Under the Decree prepared by Tessie and adopted by the Court, she gets
everything, and Rodney gets nothing. That fact alone should shock the conscious
of this Court and have led the Court to hold a prove-up hearing in the first
instance—which it did not do.

Accordingly, this Court should set aside the February 12, 2020 Decree of
Divorce and Rodney's pro per answer, which Tessie also prepared and had
Rodney file and set this case for ordinary proceedings.

This Motion is based upon all pleadings and papers on file in this matter,

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<sup>20</sup> <sup>2</sup> It should be noted that Rodney has filed the Foreign Judgment (Guardianship) in Case No. G-21-054224-A.

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the points and authorities contained herein, the Declarations included herewith, 1 and any evidence or oral argument adduced at the time of the hearing on this 2 3 matter. Dated this 25th day of January 2021. 4 JAMES KWON, LLC 5 6 /s/ James W. Kwon, Esq. JAMES W. KWON, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 8146 7 6280 Spring Mountain Rd., Suite 100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89146 8 Attorney for Sheryl Atterberg, on behalf of 6280 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD, SUITE 100 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89146 TEL.: (702) 515-1200 – FAX: (702) 515-1201 Her Adult Ward, Defendant, Rodnev 9 Wilkinson 10 MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES 11 INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF ESSENTIAL FACTS 12 I. The parties wed on March 22, 2009, in Burlington, Colorado. 13 1. In February 2013, the parties separated, and Tessie moved to Las 14 2. 15 Vegas, Nevada, where she remained. In 2017, two (2) years before Tessie filed for divorce, Rodney 16 3. sustained a Traumatic Brain Injury.<sup>3</sup> Whether Rodney's Traumatic Brain Injury 17 caused his Dementia is unknown, and that will be an issue for expert witnesses to 18 19 20 <sup>3</sup> See Exhibit 1 (Professional Opinion of Kathy Dyer, LPN) submitted under seal. Page 4 of 23

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1 determine.

2 4. On September 9, 2019, after being separated from Rodney for over
3 six (6) years, Tessie filed for divorce.<sup>4</sup>

5. On January 17, 2020, before he filed his answer in the divorce case,
Rodney, who was suffering from Dementia, was forced into signing the Decree of
Divorce by Tessie, who flew to North Dakota to get him to sign said Decree of
Divorce.

8 6. Bethany Hann (hereinafter "Ms. Hann"), the Notary who stamped
9 Rodney's Verification, specifically recalls that Rodney did not speak, that he did
10 not seem to know what was going on, and that Tessie was in complete control on
11 January 17, 2020, when Rodney signed his Verification.

12 7. Ms. Hann was so concerned that before stamping the Verification,
13 she spoke to her supervisor, who advised her that she could stamp the Verification
14 since all she was attesting to be the fact that Rodney was signing the Verification.
15 8. Nine days later, Rodney, proceeding in proper person, filed his
16 answer, a document prepared by Tessie.<sup>5</sup>

18 Divorce.

9. On February 12, 2020, the Court filed the Stipulated Decree of vorce.

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<sup>20</sup> <sup>4</sup> See Case No. D-19-596071-D. <sup>5</sup> See Case No. D-19-596071-D.

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Upon information and belief, Tessie's counsel Danielle Dawson, 1 10. Esq., never once met with or otherwise spoke to Rodney during the parties' 2 3 divorce proceedings.

Upon information and belief, Tessie instructed her counsel to include 4 11. the Stipulated Decree language to justify her award of millions of dollars and 5 6 nothing to Rodney.

7 12. Tessie committed fraud when she knew full well that Rodney was suffering from severe mental deficiencies and was incompetent. 8

Upon information and belief, Tessie hid that fact from her counsel, 9 13. Danielle Dawson, to secure an award of millions of dollars and nothing to Rodney. 10 Tessie intentionally concealed that Rodney was suffering from 11 14. severe mental deficiencies and otherwise lacked contractual capacity from the 12 Court not only when she filed for divorce but when she obtained a Decree of 13 14 Divorce.

Tessie used this knowledge to commit fraud upon the Court and 15 15. obtain an unequal distribution of the marital estate. 16

When she moved to Las Vegas, Nevada, in February 2013, Tessie 17 16. absconded with one million dollars from Rodney's bank account. 18

Tessie also stole more than \$60,000.00 in gold coins, which Rodney 19 17. 20 purchased with his inheritance money.

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	1	18. During the parties' marriage, it was Tessie, not Rodney, who				
	2	engaged in marital waste.				
	3	19. If Rodney made poor financial decisions that devalued the marital				
	4	estate, such decisions resulted directly from his Traumatic Brain Injury, Dementia,				
	5	and cognitive decline.				
	6	20. On or about May 4, 2020, less than three months after the Court				
	7	entered the Decree of Divorce, Rodney was formally diagnosed with Dementia. <sup>6</sup>				
	8	21. On May 18, 2020, Tessie herself informed the medical personnel				
46 515-1201	9	treating Rodney: <sup>7</sup>				
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89146 TEL.: (702) 515-1200 – FAX: (702) 515-1201	10	• That Rodney lived alone;				
3AS, NEV -1200 – F/	11	• That Rodney had refused in-home healthcare services and would not				
LAS VE( (702) 515	12	accept help from anyone;				
TEL.: (	13	• That Tessie had called social services and police to conduct welfare				
	14	checks on Rodney; and				
	15	• That Rodney was not taking care of himself and failing to eat and				
	16	drink properly.				
	17	22. On November 23, 2020, a Colorado Court appointed Sheryl				
	18	Atterberg and Steven Atterberg, Rodney's sister and brother-in-law, his				
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	20	<ul> <li><sup>6</sup> See Exhibit 2 (Medical Records for Rodney Dated 05/18/2020) submitted under seal.</li> <li><sup>7</sup> See Exhibit 2 (Medical Records for Rodney Dated 05/18/2020) submitted under seal.</li> </ul>				
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1 permanent guardians.

2 23. Dementia is a slow-progressing disease and does not appear
3 overnight.

4 24. The Global Deterioration Scale / Reisberg Scale provides the 5 following illustrative chart for the progression of Dementia, which given that 6 Rodney requires caretakers, shows that at the time of the Decree as well as at the 7 time of filing for Divorce, Rodney would not have had Contractual capacity as he 8 would have been in at least Stage 5 and thus been suffering cognitive decline for 9 years:<sup>8</sup>

AX: (70	10	Diagnosis	Stage	Signs and Symptoms	Expected Duration of Stage		
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TEL	13	No Dementia	Stage 2: Very Mild Cognitive	-Forgets names -Misplaces familiar	Unknown.		
	14		Decline	objects -Symptoms not evident to loved ones or doctors			
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	g Scale); <i>See also</i>						
	18	https://www.dementiacarecentral.com/aboutdementia/facts/stages/#:~:text=Global%20Deterio ration%20Scale%20%2F%20Reisberg%20Scale,-					
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Dev. V. Benedetti, 103 Nev. 360, 364, 741 P.2d 802, 805 (1987). This rule is 1 liberally construed to effectuate that purpose. Carlson v. Carlson, 108 Nev. 358, 2 3 362, 832 P.2d 380, 382 (1992).<sup>9</sup> As such, the rule is remedial in nature and must be liberally construed to relieve the harshness of rigid form by applying the 4 flexibility of discretion. La-Tex Pshp. v. Deters, 111 Nev. 471, 472, 893 P.2d 361, 5 362 (1995) and Carlson v. Carlson, 108 Nev. 358, 359, 832 P.2d 380, 381 (1992). 6 7 THIS COURT HAS INHERENT AUTHORITY TO SET A. ASIDE THE DECREE OF DIVORCE AT ANY TIME NO MATTER HOW MUCH TIME HAS PASSED SINCE THE 8 **ENTRY OF THE DECREE BECAUSE THERE IS NO TIME** 6280 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD, SUITE 100 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89146 TEL.: (702) 515-1200 – FAX: (702) 515-1201 LIMIT IN OBTAINING REDRESS FOR FRAUD UPON 9 THE COURT. 10 "Fraud upon the court" has been recognized for centuries as a basis for 11 setting aside a final judgment, sometimes even years after it was entered. Hazel-12 Atlas Co. v. Hartford Co., 322 U.S. 238, 245, 64 S. Ct. 997, 88 L. Ed. 1250, 1944 13 Dec. Comm'r Pat. 675 (1944) (discussing "the historic power of equity to set aside 14 fraudulently begotten judgments" and canvassing cases and treatises and vacating 15 a judgment entered nine years earlier), overruled on other grounds by Standard 16 Oil Co. v. United States, 429 U.S. 17, 18, 97 S. Ct. 31, 50 L. Ed. 2d 21 (1976). It 17 18 <sup>9</sup> NRCP 60(d)(1) and (3) also allow for relief from a judgment through an independent action 19 and to set aside a judgment due to fraud, which are not barred by the six-month limitations described in NRCP 60(c), "Other Powers to Grant Relief. This rule does not limit a court's 20 power to: (1) entertain an independent action to relieve a party from a judgment, order, or proceeding; (3) set aside a judgment for fraud upon the court.

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is, of course, true that "in most instances, society is best served by putting an end 1 to litigation after a case has been tried and judgment entered." Id. At 244, 97 S. 2 3 Ct. 31, 50 L. Ed. 2d 21.

For this reason, a final judgment, once entered, normally is not subject to 4 challenge. However, the policy of repose yields when "the court finds after a 5 proper hearing that fraud has been practiced upon it, or the very temple of justice 6 has been defiled." Universal Oil Prods. Co. v. Root Refin. Co., 328 U.S. 575, 580, 7 66 S. Ct. 1176, 90 L. Ed. 1447 (1946). "[A] case of fraud upon the court [calls] 8 into question the very legitimacy of the judgment." Calderon v. Thompson, 523 9 U.S. 538, 557, 118 S. Ct. 1489, 140 L. Ed. 2d 728 (1998). Put another way, 10 "[w]hen a judgment is shown to have been procured" by fraud upon the court, "no 11 worthwhile interest is served in protecting the judgment." Restatement (Second) 12 of Judgments § 70 cmt. B (1982). 13

The concept of "fraud upon the court" embraces only that species of fraud 14 which does, or attempts to, subvert the integrity of the court itself, or is a fraud 15 perpetrated by officers of the court so the judicial machinery cannot perform in 16 the usual manner its impartial task of adjudging cases and relief should be denied 17 in the absence of such conduct. NC-DSH, Inc. v. Garner, 125 Nev. 647, 649, 218 18 P.3d 853, 855 (2009). 19

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Although a six-month time limitation shall apply to most grounds for which

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relief under NRCF 60(b) may be sought, no time limitation shall apply to grounds
 alleging fraud, as the court's jurisdiction to remedy fraud is inherent because a
 court can proceed to remedy fraud in the absence of further action by a party.
 *Murphy v. Murphy*, 103 Nev. 185, 185, 734 P.2d 738, 739 (1987).

Fraud upon the Court has been held to exist when the unsuccessful party is
kept away from the Court by such conduct as prevents a real trial on the
issues. *Price v. Dunn*, 106 Nev. 100, 104, 787 P.2d 785, 787 (1990). Tessie
committed fraud upon this Court by preparing and having Rodney sign an Answer
and Decree of Divorce knowing full well Rodney was incompetent.

Rodney was legally incapacitated and otherwise lacked contractual capacity 10 when Tessie filed for and obtained the Divorce. Tessie knew that and sought to 11 exploit such an advantage by having Rodney's Answer and the Stipulated Decree 12 prepared according to her terms for Rodney to sign. Tessie kept the fact that 13 Rodney had suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury in 2017 from this Court and her 14 counsel, and she otherwise concealed that Rodney, due to his cognitive 15 impairments, was legally incapacitated and otherwise lacked contractual capacity. 16 Tessie did so to circumvent public policy and Nevada law that requires that 17 a court "to the extent practicable, make an equal disposition of the community 18 property of the parties." Nev. Rev. Stat. § 125.150(1)(b). 19

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Tessie will undoubtedly attempt to argue that more than six months has

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passed since the entry of the Decree, and thus relief cannot be granted; however, 1

the Nevada Supreme Court rejected such an argument in Murphy and held that no 2

3 time limitation shall apply to grounds alleging fraud upon the court. Id at 185.

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In short, Tessie has subverted the integrity of this Court itself and, therefore, 4 5 relief is warranted.

#### THE DECREE OF DIVORCE SHOULD BE SET ASIDE **B**. BECAUSE IT SHOCKS THE CONSCIOUS BY MAKING A **GROSSLY INEQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION** OF MARITAL ESTATE.

Unconscionability is not an easy term to define, involving both procedural 9 and substantive unconscionability for a court to exercise its discretion to refuse to 10 enforce an agreement as unconscionable. If the case involves predominately 11 procedural unconscionability, then less evidence of substantive unconscionability 12 is required. D.R. Horton, Inc. v. Green, 120 Nev. 549, 551, 96 P.3d 1159, 1160 13 (2004) (overruled on other grounds by United States Home Corp. v. Ballesteros 14 Tr., 415 P.3d 32, 41 (Nev. 2018); see also Burch v. Second Judicial Dist. Court, 15 118 Nev. 438, 439, 49 P.3d 647, 648 (2002). 16

Here, of course, we have both. Tessie, being well aware of Rodney's 17 medical condition and his mental limitations resulting therefrom, exploited those 18 limitations to secure a windfall of millions of dollars while leaving Rodney 19 destitute. Tessie knew his diminished capacity precluded him from fully 20 understanding any and all of the aspects of the Answer and Decree, which she

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prepared and had Rodney agree to. Then, Tessie fully enforced the Decree of the
 law even though she knew it was fundamentally unfair and procured by fraud.

Unconscionability is said to exist when enforcement of the agreement
results in one spouse having insufficient property to provide for his or her
reasonable needs. There are a number of factors that this Court may consider when
determining the fairness of an Agreement:

		6	determining the fairness of an Agreement:
		7	• Duration of the marriage;
	00	8	• Assets owned by each party;
ų	IN ROAD, SUITE 100 EVADA 89146 FAX: (702) 515-1201	9	• Income and earning capacity of each party;
AMES KWON, LL	IN ROAD EVADA 89 FAX: (702	10	• Property each party brought into the marriage;
1ES KW	MOUNTA EGAS, NI 15-1200 –	11	• Children of prior marriage(s);
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	6280 SP TEL.: (	13	• Age and health of each party;
	•	14	• Standard of living during the marriage;
		15	• What each party would have received in the absence of the
		16	agreement; and
		17	• Each party's contribution to the marriage, including homemaker and
		18	childcare contributions. <sup>10</sup>
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		20	<sup>10</sup> See Del Vecchio v. Del Vecchio, 143 So. 2d 17 (Fla. 1962); Button v. Button, 131 Wis. 2d 84, 86, 388 N.W.2d 546, 547 (1986); Austin v. Austin, 62 Mass. App. Ct. 719, 719, 819 N.E.2d 623,
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Here, all factors point to unconscionability. This was a seven (7) year
 marriage with the parties living in separate states for at least six (6) of those years.
 When the parties married, Rodney brought substantial wealth into the marriage,
 while Tessie brought *nothing* but her love of Rodney's money. However, when
 they divorced, Tessie left the marriage unjustly enriched financially speaking,
 while Rodney was left destitute.

Furthermore, Nevada Policy and Law are clear that a Court must, absent a
compelling reason otherwise, make an equitable distribution of the marital estate.
Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 125.150.

The policy is so strong that the Nevada Supreme Court has consistently reversed a District Court's decision not to set aside a decree under NRCP 60(b) when an inequitable distribution was made.

For example, in *Petersen v. Petersen*, 105 Nev. 133, 771 P.2d 159 (1989), the Wife figured out about 90 days after the Divorce that she had received about 10 percent of the parties' property, but her motion to set it aside was not filed until the day before the six months would have elapsed. The Supreme Court rejected the trial court's conclusion that the motion was untimely and held that when such a motion is filed at any time within the six months allowed by NRCP 60(b),

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alleging fraud or mutual mistake, and seeks for the first time to address the fairness
 of the Decree of Divorce, the motion should be considered on its merits. The
 Supreme Court specifically stated, "the trial judge's denial of Wife's motion on
 the basis that it was not filed within a 'reasonable time' produces harsh results
 which are inconsistent with the spirit of Rule 60(b)." Id. at 134.

6 In Carlson v. Carlson, 108 Nev. 358, 832 P.2d 380 (1992), the Supreme Court reversed the district court's refusal to set aside a property distribution under 7 NRCP 60(b), where a private pension had been greatly undervalued in the original 8 9 divorce proceedings. Both parties were represented by counsel, but the Wife discovered (just days before the six-month period of NRCP 60(b) expired) that 10 the representation by the husband and his counsel that the property division was 11 "essentially equal" was false because the pension was worth much more than had 12 been thought. The Wife received about 29 percent property and moved to set aside 13 the property distribution under NRCP 60(b). On appeal, the Supreme Court 14 reversed the district court's order refusing to set aside the Decree as an abuse of 15 16 discretion.

In Cook v. Cook, 112 Nev. 179, 912 P.2d 264 (1996), the husband drafted
a property settlement agreement providing that he received the law practice as his
separate property and including the Wife's waiver of any interest in his firm's
income. The Wife had an attorney review the property settlement agreement, but

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she signed it in proper person. The husband filed for Divorce, and the Wife signed 1 a proper person answer. The Decree was granted the same day. Days before the 2 six-month NRCP 60(b) time limit ran, the Wife filed a motion to "vacate the 3 divorce decree and for a new trial." The Wife's expert evaluated the community 4 property and concluded that the Wife had received approximately \$100,000 to the 5 husband's \$600,000 in net community property assets, that in his "professional 6 opinion, the [agreement] was grossly inequitable and unfair to the wife." Cook, 7 112 Nev. at 181, FN 1, 912 P.2d at 265. The Nevada Supreme Court found an 8 abuse of the lower court's "wide discretion in deciding whether to grant or deny" 9 a motion under NRCP 60(b) and reversed the lower court's denial of her motion 10 to set aside the Decree. 11

In the case at hand, the Decree of Divorce on its face violates Nevada
Policy. Not only does it award Tessie millions of dollars' worth of assets, but it
gives Rodney nothing. Furthermore, there was no compelling reason to make such
a grossly disproportionate award. Not only was such an award obtained by fraud,
but the court failed to hold a Prove Up hearing to determine the validity of such
an award and if there was, in fact, a compelling reason to award one person
millions and leave the other completely destitute.

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Accordingly, this Court must set aside the Decree of Divorce and Rodney'sAnswer.

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### C. THE DECREE OF DIVORCE IS VOID AB INTIO BECAUSE RODNEY LACKED CONTRACTUAL CAPACITY.

Nevada courts have retained "the discretion to apply lack of diligence 3 principals to NRCP 60(b)(4) void judgment challenges." Teriano v. Nev. State 4 Bank (In re Harrison Living Tr.), 121 Nev. 217, 222, 112 P.3d 1058, 1061 (2005). 5 A judgment is considered void when there is a defect in the court's authority to 6 enter the judgment due to lack of jurisdiction over the subject matter or 7 parties. See Gassett v. Snappy Car Rental, 111 Nev. 1416, 1419, 906 P.2d 258, 8 261 (1995), superseded by rule on other grounds as stated in Fritz Hansen A/S v. 9 Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 116 Nev. 650, 654-56, 6 P.3d 982, 984-85 10 (2000); see also Lindblom v. Prime Hosp. Corp., 120 Nev. 372, 377, 90 P.3d 1283, 11 1285-86 (2004). 12

The six-month limitation is inapplicable to a void judgment. Moore v.
Moore, 75 Nev. 189, 193 n.2, 336 P.2d 1073, 1075 n.2 (1959); but see Teriano,
121 Nev. at 222, 112 P.3d at 1061 (adopting reasonableness requirement).

Tessie initiated a case against Rodney even though he was legally incapacitated and otherwise lacked contractual capacity. In doing so, the Decree of Divorce is *void* ab initio not only because Rodney lacked the capacity to sign said Decree but because the Family Court never properly obtained personal jurisdiction over Rodney. Rodney lacked the legal capacity to accept services and

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to answer the divorce Complaint. 1

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Therefore, relief is warranted and should be granted forthwith.

#### D. THE COURT IS NOT INCLINED TO SET THE DECREE ASIDE BASED ON THE PLEADINGS, THEN THE COURT SHOULD OPEN DISCOVERY AND SET THIS MATTER FOR AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING.

Hale v. Hale, 130 Nev. 1184 (2014) provides a roadmap for addressing matters like those raise here. In Hale, the husband claimed he lacked contractual capacity when executing the Decree of Divorce due to his Dementia. The district court then, as acknowledged by the Supreme Court, properly held an evidentiary hearing to determine whether the husband could prove such incapacity. The district court heard from multiple witnesses, including expert witnesses, before determining that Arthur Hale did, in fact, have contractual capacity at the time of 12

the divorce proceedings.

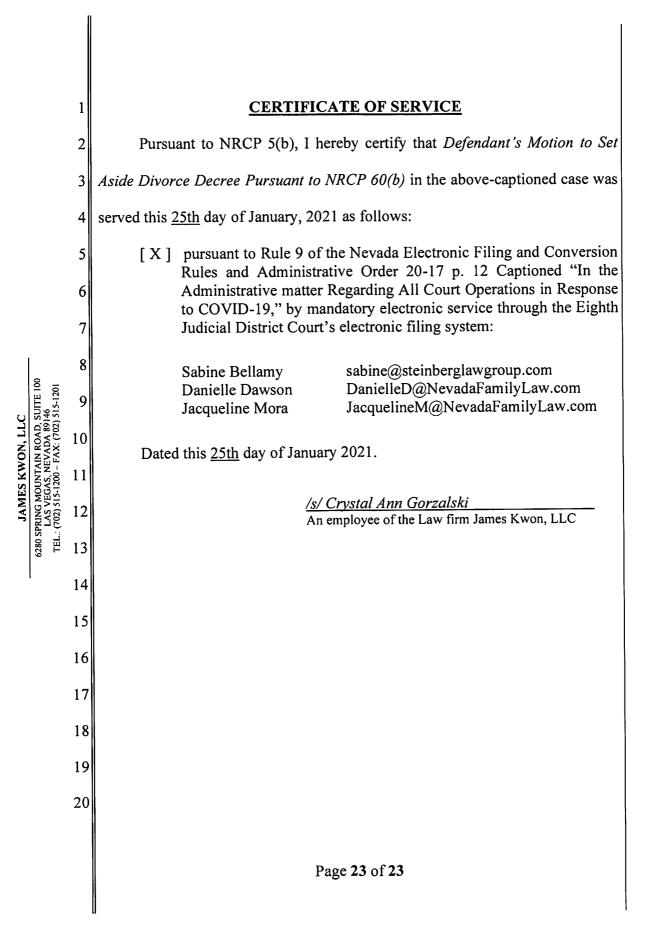
Such a determination, however, could not have been reached without the 14 aid of expert witnesses. Rodney's guardians have contacted expert witnesses and 15 are in the process of hiring one to provide this Court with all the information that 16 it needs to render a decision. As this Court can imagine, the process has been 17 slowed by the global pandemic. Therefore, if this Court is not inclined to set aside 18 Rodney's Answer and the Decree based on the pleadings, it should open discovery 19 and set the matter for an evidentiary hearing.

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		1	DECLARATION OF SHERYL ATTERBERG
		2	I, Sheryl Atterberg, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:
		3	1. I am the Co-Guardian for Defendant, Rodney Wilkinson, an Adult
		4	Ward, in the aforementioned matter.
		5	2. I have read the foregoing Defendant's Motion to Set Aside Divorce
		6	Decree Pursuant to NRCP $60(b)$ and the factual averments it contains are true and
		7	correct to the best of my knowledge, except as to those matters based upon
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		1	DECLARATION OF STEVEN ATTERBERG
		2	I, Steven Atterberg, being first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:
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# **EXHBIT 2 Submitted Under Seal**

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## **EXHIBIT 3**

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### **Global Deterioration Scale / Reisberg Scale**

The most commonly used scale is often referred to simply as GDS, or by its more formal name, the Reisberg Scale (or by the lengthy name "Global Deterioration Scale for Assessment of Primary Degenerative Dementia"). The GDS divides into seven stages based on the amount of cognitive decline. This test is most relevant for people who have Alzheimer's disease because some other types of dementia (i.e. <u>Frontotemporal dementia</u>) do not always include memory loss.

Someone in stages 1-3 does not typically exhibit enough symptoms for a dementia diagnosis. By the time a diagnosis has been made, a dementia patient is typically in stage 4 or beyond. Stage 4 is considered "early dementia," stages 5 and 6 are considered "middle dementia," and stage 7 is considered "late dementia."

#### Global Deterioration Scale (CGS) / Reisberg Scale

Diagnosis	Stage	Signs and Symptoms	Expected Duration of Stage
No Dementia	Stage 1: No Cognitive Decline	<ul> <li>Normal function</li> <li>No memory loss</li> <li>People with NO dementia are considered in Stage 1</li> </ul>	N/A
No Dementia	Stage 2: Very Mild Cognitive Decline	<ul> <li>Forgets names</li> <li>Misplaces familiar objects</li> <li>Symptoms not evident to loved ones or doctors</li> </ul>	Unknown
No Dementia	Stage 3: Mild Cognitive Decline	<ul> <li>Increased forgetfulness</li> <li>Slight difficulty concentrating</li> <li>Decreased work performance</li> <li>Gets lost more frequently</li> <li>Difficulty finding right words</li> <li>Loved ones begin to notice</li> </ul>	Average duration of this stage is between 2 years and 7 years.
Early- stage	Stage 4: Moderate Cognitive Decline	<ul> <li>Difficulty concentrating</li> <li>Forgets recent events</li> <li>Cannot manage finances</li> <li>Cannot travel alone to new places</li> <li>Difficulty completing tasks</li> <li>In denial about symptoms</li> <li>Socialization problems: Withdraw from friends or family</li> <li>Physician can detect cognitive problems</li> </ul>	Average duration of this stage is 2 years.
Mid- Stage	Stage 5: Moderately Severe Cognitive Decline	<ul> <li>Major memory deficiencies</li> <li>Need assistance with ADLs (dressing, bathing, etc.)</li> <li>Forgets details like address or phone number</li> <li>Doesn't know time or date</li> <li>Doesn't know where they are</li> </ul>	Average duration of this stage is 1.5 years.

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1/20/2021		Seven Stages of Dementia   Symptoms, Progr	ession & Durations
Mid- Stage	Stage 6: Severe Cognitive Decline (Middle Dementia)	<ul> <li>Cannot carry out ADLs without help</li> <li>Forgets names of family members</li> <li>Forgets recent events</li> <li>Forgets major events in past</li> <li>Difficulty counting down from 10</li> <li>Incontinence (loss of bladder control)</li> <li>Difficulty speaking</li> <li>Personality and emotional changes</li> <li>Delusions</li> <li>Compulsions</li> <li>Anxiety</li> </ul>	Average duration of this stage is 2.5 years
Late- Stage	Stage 7: Very Severe Cognitive Decline (Late Dementia)	<ul> <li>Cannot speak or communicate</li> <li>Require help with most activities</li> <li>Loss of motor skills</li> <li>Cannot walk</li> </ul>	Average duration of this stage is 1.5 to 2.5 years.

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DISTRICT COURT FAMILY DIVISION CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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#### MOTION/OPPOSITION FEE INFORMATION SHEET

Notice: Motions and Oppositions filed after entry of a final order issued pursuant to NRS 125, 125B or 125C are subject to the reopen filing fee of \$25, unless specifically excluded by NRS 19.0312. Additionally, Motions and Oppositions filed in cases initiated by joint petition may be subject to an additional filing fee of \$129 or \$57 in accordance with Senate Bill 388 of the 2015 Legislative Session.

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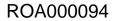
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Signature of Party or Preparer \_\_\_\_/s/ Crystal Ann Gorzalski \_\_\_\_

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To Whom it May Concern:

Rodney Wilkerson moved into our assisted living facility on 10/1/2020. He was given the following diagnoses upon move in: 1) neurocognitive disorder 2) depression 3) history of stroke 4) insomnia 5) psychosis / agitation and 6) traumatic brain injury (TBI).

During this time Rodney has exhibited daily concerns with his short-term memory 1) He forgets on a daily basis how to use his phone 2) can't turn on or change channel on tv 3) forgets that he ate meals (often reports to his family that he hasn't ate) 4) is verbally aggressive to staff at times over showers and personal care 5) difficulty organizing thoughts – stops and starts sentences and conversations about care 6) difficulty remembering things – we have to give constant reminders of the sequence of tasks and daily routines. 7) constantly misplaces items in room – phone, remote, comb etc. 8) Can't find things even when they are next to him – blanket 9) Forgets how to use walker for safety.

In my professional opinion as someone who has been involved in this field for 35+ years and also being a nurse, It appears like most of the concerns with Rodney's memory concerns are normal symptoms of the Traumatic Brain Injury that Rodney received in 2017. Noticing these concerns would probably not be possible unless you resided with Rodney 24/7. He presents well in a short simple conversation. He appears to answer yes and no questions appropriately. He can also talk about things from the past somewhat clear. Rodney definitely is not capable of safely making decisions in regard to day-to-day issues and has probably had this concern for quite some time. Because of the lack of people that truly spent significant time with him this problem was not as accentuated as it is in our setting. Because of these issues, it is my opinion that Rodney will never be able to live independently and make independent decisions.

Sincerely,

Kathy Dyer Administrator/LPN

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# **EXHBIT 2 Submitted Under Seal**

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6, renal insufficiency - Cr 1.7 from 1.9, BP elevated during stay, however he is reluctant to take any medication will initiate amlodipine 5mg QD.

7. social - Will again contact APS for follow up on home safety.

8. Hypothyroidism-TSH 6.559, initiated levothyroxine at 50mcg QD.

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WILKINSON, RODNEY E (id #371832, dob: 02/28/1955)

Supervising Provider Comment

despite coming for services and evaluation, he has refused further testing, therapy, or medications for pain. I feel he has a significant

psychiatric diagnosis. Likely he has schizophrenia and potentially dementia. He needs assistance and treatment but he refuses. we will

continue to pursue social work interventions as he is medically stable and demands to go home.

Date: 05/18/202016:29

**Chief Complaint** 

shoulder pain

#### Assessment & Plan

1. dehydration - i suspect he has had poor po intake by his history and difficulty with self cares. we will admit and give IVF.

2. malnutrition - stong suspicion due to dementia and self care deficit. check prealbumin

3. dementia - 19/30 on initial MME 2 weeks ago.

4. right shoulder pain - likely rotator cuff pathology. he previously refused MRI. consult

PT/OT

5. paranoia - psych consult/ social work consult.

6. renal insufficiency - recheck lab. Cr was 1.9 previously

7. social - report was made for APS and to our knowledge no f/u was done.

#### Inpatient Diagnoses

dementia - primary - Onset: 05/18/2020

dehydration - primary - Onset: 05/18/2020

renal insufficiency - primary - Onset: 05/18/2020

#### Precautions

None recorded.

#### HPI

pt here to f/u up on right arm and neck pt states their still hurting. pt declined the mri's keeps saying it doesn't matter bad things

have happened to him.

"Not doing too good". I have right shoulder pain that radiates down his arm. 'I don't want an MRI, I had bad things happen to me".

Patient denies anyone coming to visit him. No one has come to check on him. Patient c/o mid back pain, patient states that this happened this morning. Patient reports that he is not in favor of taking any pain medication, has not been taking the tramadol. Patient gives consent to talk with patient's ex-wife. Patient called ex-wife and put her on speaker phone during visit. Wife reports

that patient is alone at the house, wife notified that patient refused home health. Ex-wife reports that Brian Ballman comes and visits

patient and brings him food and talks with patient. Ex-wife reports that DCF has not come and seen patient. Ex-wife of patient has

called social services and police for welfare checks, pt gets scared when they come around. Patient will not take help from anyone,

wont even let his sister come and help him. Ex-wife of patient reports that patient is only taking vitamin b 12. The tramadol that was

given to patient at last visit has not been taken, patient told his ex-wife that the tramadol is against his religion, so patient threw the

medication away, Ex-wife last seen patient three weeks ago. Ex-wife reports that patient is not eating or drinking well. Patient states

that he is not eating well during the day, eats when Brian comes. Patient reports that he is not consuming much water.

Patient states that he does not do anger very well. "North Dakota is the worse place that I have ever seen". "I continue to have a



bad experience". Patient reports that he has a oil rig that is doing well in North Dakota and a "preacherman" is trying to take it from

him. "It seems like when someone is down and out that everyone wants to rob you". Patient states that when he gets angry that he

just wants to throw stuff. Patient does not think about hurting others, or himself, it is against his religion. Created by Jessica Gittinger, APRN 08:20, 05-19-

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Signed by Jessica Gittinger, APRN 08:35, 05-19-

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Co-signed by Travis Daise, MD 08:55, 05-19-

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WILKINSON, RODNEY E (id #371832, dob: 02/28/1955)

Patient would like to cut his arm off due to the severity of pain.

Patient denies wanting to go into an assisted living facility, "I don't have any use for it". Patient would like his wife to come home for

a little bit. Patient asked if it was a permeant thing, unknown. Patient informed of why MRI's need to and what they are going to

evaluate.

"I don't want to deal with my sister, she infuriates me".

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Patient reports diminished activity but reports no significant weight change, good appetite, no fever, and no fatigue. He reports no

ear pain, no ear discharge, no hearing loss, no sinus pressure, no drooling, no facial swelling, no congestion, no sore throat, no hoarseness, and no mouth lesions; Positional dizziness is noted by patient.. He reports limited motion; right arm, right shoulder. He reports shooting pain and dizziness but reports no numbness, no tingling, no burning, and no headache; right sided neck pain.. He reports anxiety but reports no depression. He reports no eye pain, no blurry vision, no eye redness, no eye itchiness, no eye swelling, no eye discharge, and normal movement. He reports no chest pain and normal heart rate. He reports no

cough, no wheezing, no chest tightness, no pain with respiration, and normal respiration. He reports no sneezing and no runny nose.

Problems None recorded. Surgical History None recorded. **Home Medications** None Recorded Goodland Regional Medical Center • 220 W 2ND ST, GOODLAND KS 67735-1602 WILKINSON, RODNEY E (id #371832, dob: 02/28/1955) Patient states he is noncompliant with home meds as he forgets to take them. Allergies PENICILLINS: Itching **Family History** Father - Myocardial infarction (onset age: 62) (died age: 62) Mother - Asthma (died age: 74) - Mother had curvature of the spine Social History Cardiology and Urgent Care Occupation: Oil field worker Marital status: Married (Notes: Wife does not live with the patient.) Live alone or with others?: alone Diet: Regular Exercise level: Occasional Tobacco Smoking Status: Never smoker Non-smoker

Chewing tobacco: none

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PH: (702) 895-6760 0 FAX: (702) 731-6910	<ol> <li>10</li> <li>11</li> <li>12</li> <li>13</li> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> </ol>	TESSIE ELMA ALMARIO, )) Plaintiff, )) vs. )) SHERYL ATTERBERG, ON )) BEHALF OF HER WARD )) RODNEY WILKINSON, )) Defendant. ))	CASE NO.: D-19-596071-D DEPT NO.: U Date of Hearing: February 4, 2021 Time of Hearing: 1:30 p.m. ORAL ARGUMENT REQUESTED PLAINTIFF'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO SET ASIDE THE DIVORCE DECREE PURSUANT TO NRCP 60(b) and COUNTERMOTION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES AND RELATED RELIEF.								
	21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	COMES NOW, Plaintiff, Tessie Elma Almario ("Tessie"), and hereby submits Opposition to Defendant's Motion to set aside the divorce decree pursuant to NRCP 60(b) and Countermotion for attorney's fees and related relief. This opposition and countermotion is made and based on the following Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the declarations and exhibits, attached hereto, the papers and pleadings already on file herein, and any argument the Court may permit at the hearing of this matter.									

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<ol> <li>Based upon the facts of this case, coupled with applicable preced</li> <li>respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order:</li> </ol>	dent, Tessie
2 respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order:	
3 1. Denying Defendant's motion in its entirety;	
4 2. Awarding Tessie attorney's fees for having to respond to	a patently
5 frivolous motion and to misstatements of fact and law; and	
6 3. Addressing any additional relief this Court deems necessary.	
7 Dated this $2^{nd}$ day of February, 2021.	
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## **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

### I.

## **Introduction**

There is no question the Defendant's "guardian"<sup>1</sup>, Sheryl Atterberg 4 ("Sheryl") is attempting to pull a fast one on this Court. Indeed, Sheryl further 5 conceals the fact that she initiated a civil action<sup>2</sup> against Tessie on December 3, 6 2020, wherein she makes the same false claims<sup>3</sup> and misstatements of fact. It is 7 significant to note Sheryl did not seek any injunctive relief or an order shortening 8 time in the civil matter-which confirms her doing so in this matter was done in 9 bad faith. Perhaps she thinks a newly elected judge is more gullible and will 10 succumb to baseless allegations designed to improperly inflame the Court rather 11 than follow the law. Respectfully, such an expectation is ill-judged and offensive. 12

Comparison of the instant motion with Sheryl's filings in the civil action confirms this action is unquestionably a frantic, yet transparent maneuver, to manipulate this Honorable Court. Because relevant facts and applicable precedent lend no support to her claims, Defendant substitutes fact with fiction, misstates, misapplies, and conceals applicable precedent, and egregiously violates the duty of candor that is owed this Honorable Court. In short, Defendant demonstrates an ill-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As detailed *infra*, Defendant's "Guardian" is an *estranged sister* who had *nothing* to do with her brother for decades, a fact conspicuously concealed from this Court. Her efforts and concerns have nothing to do with Rodney Wilkinson's benefit, but rather, the personal gain she believes she will realize if her campaign of greed and dishonesty is successful.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup>  $||^2$  Case # A-20-825785-C; Notably, *a motion to dismiss that action is Scheduled to* 

*be heard on February 9, 2021*. The motion and Tessie's reply is submitted herewith as Exhibit "6" for the Court's convenience and review. Seeing the writing on the wall, Sheryl "jumps ship" and hopes for better luck with a "new" judge. The fact truth and the law remain the same confirms the foolishness of Sheryl's latest maneuver.

<sup>27 3</sup> Making claims of (1) Elder Abuse, (2) Constructive Fraud, and (3) Declaratory
28 Relief, all predicated upon the patently false, and objectively disprovable, claims of the "guardian".

judged belief that deceit and manipulation is appropriate if she will gain from such
 conduct.

3 Sheryl resurrects the baseless argument a defamatory narrative she presented
4 in the civil action, only this time she presents the matter before the court under the
5 guise of "urgency", hoping to prevent Tessie from informing the Court of her bad
6 faith and deceit.

Make no mistake—Defendant's actions are not done for altruistic reasons.
The dispositive facts—*deliberately concealed by Defendant*, confirms Defendant is
simply selfish and opportunistic. Aside from Defendant's misguided belief that she
is not bound by candor, Defendant's actions and arguments also illuminates a
disturbing willingness to ignore rules of the Court and controlling precedent.

Lastly, the narrative that Defendant has crafted is patently false, devoid of support and accuracy, and deliberately misleading. Defendant shamelessly endeavors to manipulate this Court at all cost. As a result, it is necessary to address Defendant's dishonesty, provide the vital facts and corrections that Defendant has concealed, and reference the applicable precedent that is fatal to the relief Defendant seeks from this Court. Sheryl's motion is baseless.

### II.

## **The Gross Errors of Defendants Prefatory Remarks**

Defendant's motion is a gallimaufry<sup>4</sup>, comprised of false, misleading, and incomplete claims, liberally laced with naked allegations bearing no relation to the actual facts of this case and misstatements of both fact and law. Furthermore, Defendant conceals earlier actions and the procedural history that confirms the instant motion, along with the request for an Order Shortening Time, was baseless and a manipulation of the legal system.

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**<sup>28</sup>** <sup>4</sup> A confused jumble or medley of things, or a dish made from diced or minced meat, especially a hash.

From the onset of Defendant's remarks to this Court, there is a disturbing 1 lack of candor. For example, Defendant falsely represents to this Court that "[t]his 2 is a clear case of Fraud Upon the Court."5 The statement is patently false and 3 contrary to well-established law<sup>6</sup>. Defendant then follows up with additional false 4 and unsupported claims as she maligns Plaintiff and makes material 5 misrepresentation of fact<sup>7</sup>. The truth is Defendant Rodney Wilkinson ("Rodney") 6 did not have Dementia, let alone "so far advance[d] (as represented by Sheryl)"<sup>8</sup>, 7 when the Decree was entered<sup>9</sup>, and Sheryl's narrative (rehearsed in the civil matter 8 and polished by this point, but nevertheless false) ignores the express findings of 9 this Court. 10

When Rodney initiated the divorce, he did *not* have Dementia, or "incapacitated", as a matter of law. The "onset" was only diagnosed following the entry of the Divorce, and a guardian wasn't even given until six months after the diagnosis—and even then, the guardian's powers were limited<sup>10</sup>.

As noted above, the professed guardian in this action is Rodney's sister, Sheryl Atterberg ("Sheryl" or "guardian"), a fact she conveniently conceals from this Court. Sheryl also fails to disclose to this Court that the relationship between her and Rodney was estranged<sup>11</sup>, and had been for decades. Coincidentally, Sheryl had absolutely **no** relationship with Rodney until 2020—when she appears with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>  $\int Defendant's$  motion, page 2 of 23, line 9.

<sup>22 &</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Addressed and confirmed *infra* at Section IV, B, pages 12-14.

 $<sup>||^7</sup>$  Defendant's motion, page 2 of 23, lines 14-15.

**<sup>23</sup>**  $||^{8}$  *Id.*, line 16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The evidence, detailed *infra*, confirms that Rodney was not diagnosed with Dementia until May of 2019, after Rodney requested the divorce, and that diagnosis confirmed his Dementia was not "so far advanced" but rather at its "*onset*" (or very beginning!). Defendant is being intentionally dishonest.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Colorado Guardianship Order, submitted herewith as Exhibit "1" for the Court's convenience and review.

**<sup>28</sup>** <sup>11</sup> Rodney disclosed to others his belief that Sheryl wanted to put him in a mental facility—something he did not want and was fearful of it happening.

hopes of financial gain. Rodney made this point clear as far back as 2007 (years 1 before the parties were even married), when he prepared "The Rodney E. 2 Wilkinson Trust" and provides therein that "[u]nder no circumstances, is a 3 distribution of income or principal to be made to either my brother, John 4 Wilkinson or my sister, Sheryl Atterberg."<sup>12</sup> 5

While Sheryl professes to be Rodney's guardian, given the nature of the 6 relationship between she and Rodney, coupled with her documented lack of candor, 7 there is reason to believe Rodney was not properly served, which would render the 8 Order Appointing Guardian for Adult void ab initio. Because void judgments can 9 be attacked collaterally, the fact Sheryl does not validate the Colorado Order should 10 be addressed and validation required—if, in fact, Sheryl can do so. 11

Since Sheryl has had virtually no contact with her brother, Rodney, for 12 decades, she clearly has no knowledge of what Rodney did, of his capacities, of his 13 interests, of his activities, or anything else for that matter. Thus, her claims are 14 nothing more than speculation, that cannot be relied upon by this Court. 15

The evidence, however, confirms that Rodney and Tessie had a close, 16 profound, and caring relationship, long before they married. Rodney's intentions 17 towards Tessie were memorialized and made clear long *before* they married. In his 18 trust, he provided: 19

- The balance of the trust assets (after expenses), of whatsoever kind and 20 whosesoever situated, shall be distrusted, as follows: 21
  - (a) To my friend and confidant Tessie Mae Brown, (address omitted);
- (b) If the said Tessie Elma Brown shall fail to survive me, then all of the 22 proceeds of the trust shall be distributed to Erica Sarai Bell (address 23 omitted);
  - (c) If neither of the foregoing survive me, then I direct that all trust proceeds be distributed to Sheryl Atterberg, my sister.
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Rodney prepared his trust in 2007. Rodney and Tessie were married in 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Article II of The Rodney E. Wilkinson Trust, pages 1-2, submitted herewith 28 as Exhibit "2" for the Court's convenience and review.

Sheryl claims Rodney sustained a "Traumatic Brain Injury" in 2017-but 1 does not claim that caused his "Dementia"<sup>13</sup>—nor does Sheryl provide proof such 2 diagnosis was made, or even considered, before May of 2020. Sheryl simply hopes 3 that with her false claims the Court "assumes" such a fact (that is disproved by the 4 evidence). Sheryl claims Rodney was suffering from Dementia before he filed his 5 Answer in the Divorce Case-but submits no evidence to support her claim. In 6 fact, the Colorado Order (Guardianship Order-if not void) wasn't signed until 7 almost a year later (and the medical records confirm the onset of Rodney's 8 dementia wasn't until May of 2020<sup>14</sup>. 9

Thus, as a matter of law, at the time of the parties' divorce, Rodney had the
legal capacity to contract. In reality, Rodney continued working, traveling, hauling
loads, and negotiating with various parties up to and after Rodney and Tessie
divorced.

As for the divorce, *Rodney* is the one who had initiated it. Rodney disclosed 14 he no longer wanted to own or be responsible for anything—he simply wanted to 15 live at the farmhouse and work. Rodney had his reasons, followed up to ensure it 16 was being accomplished repeatedly, and the phone records confirm this fact. 17 During this process, the parties reached an agreement and Rodney was content, 18 stopping work only because of shoulder trouble. Sheryl's tale surrounding 19 Rodney's verification is pure fiction—intended only to unfairly prejudice this Court 20 and deflect from the facts that disprove Sheryl's claims. As noted above, Rodney 21 did not, in truth and as a matter of law, lack contractual capacity, and Sheryl's 22 allegation of fraud is self-serving and defamatory. 23

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Defendant's Opposition, page 4 of 23, lines 16-18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> <sup>14</sup> Such medical records, confirming the diagnosis of the onset of dementia wasn't
<sup>28</sup> made until May of 2020, long after the parties divorced, are submitted herewith as Exhibit "3" for the Court's convenience and review.

Sheryl has no idea what Tessie did or did not do, and her speculation is just 1 that—bearing no relation to the truth (which is why there is a conspicuous absence 2 of proof, support, or evidence to substantiate her defamatory claims). For example, 3 Sheryl maligns Tessie and claims she "absconded" with one million dollars in 2013 4 (while the parties were married). What Sheryl conceals from the Court is the 5 parties had just sold some real estate for 2.5 million dollars<sup>15</sup>. At Rodney's 6 insistence, Rodney and Tessie placed 1million in her account and the balance in his 7 account. Rodney also deposited the approximate 300k from the sale of the corn that 8 had been harvested in his account. On top of that, Rodney placed the proceeds of 9 the combines and related equipment that was sold in his account. Sheryl's 10 characterization of "absconding" is absurd and patently false. 11

Continuing, the \$60,000 in gold coins Sheryl blames Tessie for taking is incorrect in value and blame is misplaced. In reality, the value of the gold coins was closer to \$100k and were given to a woman named Tanika Stevenson by Rodney. During the parties' marriage, Rodney gave Ms. Stevenson considerable amounts of money, took a 20k loan and gave her the proceeds, and Tessie has cancelled checks substantiating this fact. Sheryl's confusion of the two women is understandable given her absence in her brother's life.

Between 2014 and 2018, Rodney lived with a woman named Jill Strnad. During this time, Rodney was still driving truck and gave her his income, with the belief she would take care of the bills and expenses. Jill chose to write checks to herself (again, Tessie has some of the cancelled checks), and neglected paying the bills, property taxes, income taxes, and legal bills. In late 2018, Rodney contacted Tessie, promised he was done with Jill and Tanika, hoping to reconcile their relationship. During this time Rodney worked, had contractual capacity, and

**<sup>28</sup>** <sup>15</sup> A copy of the settlement statement is submitted herewith as Exhibit "4" for the Court's convenience and review.

showed no signs of "dementia". The truth is, during the marriage Rodney
 committed considerable marital waste and admitted that fact on multiple occasions.

*After* the divorce the parties remained close and got along well. Tessie
visited him on numerous occasions, spoke to him often, and there is no truth the
Divorce was "rushed"; it was initiated by Rodney, discussed, considered, and
reflective of Rodney's intent (expressed long before the parties were even
married)<sup>16</sup>. Phone records will substantiate these facts, and Plaintiff's medical
records confirm Tessie remained involved in Rodney's life and was concerned with
his well-being.

In the Spring of 2020, Rodney's health began to decline and *Tessie* was
concerned<sup>17</sup> and solicited *and* provided assistance (unlike Sheryl). In fact, Sheryl
concedes Tessie contacted social services, law enforcement—as well as neighbors,
and sending her son to check on him on multiple occasions<sup>18</sup>. Indeed, the very
medical record that Sheryl submits shows that in May of 2020 a diagnosis of the *onset* of dementia was made<sup>19</sup>.

Sheryl is desperate, and quick to state, that Rodney lacked contractual
capacity five months earlier when he negotiated and agreed to the terms of the
Divorce and verified his Answer. However, the Trust Rodney prepared 13 years
before the divorce, and prior to the parties' marriage, confirms the provisions of the
Decree are consistent with his intent.

As noted above, in May of 2020, the diagnosis of dementia noted it was at its *onset* (*the beginning*)<sup>20</sup>. The Court did not find him in need of a guardian

**27** || <sup>19</sup> See Exhibit "3".

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**<sup>24</sup>**  $||^{16}$  See Exhibit "2".

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> As confirmed through Rodney's Trust, created before the parties' marriage, the parties had feelings and interest in one another, regardless of status. This concern and closeness remained after the divorce as well.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See Defendant's motion, page 7 of 23, lines 13.

<sup>28 &</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Sheryl argues dementia "is a slow-progressing disease that does not appear overnight", but conceals the fact that with dementia, contractual incapacity likewise

(assuming the Order was properly obtained and isn't void). Sheryl is unable to
 provide any support for her claim Rodney lacked contractual incapacity at the time
 of divorce.

In sum, Sheryl wasn't even involved in Rodney's life until the latter part of
2020. Sheryl's narrative is patently false, defamatory, and self-serving. The
evidence shows she lacks credibility and the litigation that she has commenced is
improper, flawed, and inconsistent with established precedent.

# III.

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## **Statement of Facts**

Rodney and Tessie married on March 22, 2009 and divorced at the beginning
of 2020. Rodney initiated the divorce, directing and monitoring its progress and
content of the pleadings<sup>21</sup>. The Decree confirms Rodney's substantial marital waste
(which Rodney admitted and considered), represents their agreement, and found
and confirmed by the Court as being equitable and fair<sup>22</sup>.

Notice of Entry of the Decree of Divorce was filed on February 13, 2020.
Rodney did not seek reconsideration or move for any of the relief that was available
pursuant to NRCP 60(b)—because it reflected his agreement and was unwarranted.
Almost a year has passed and the Decree is, and remains, valid and enforceable<sup>23</sup>.
Because there was no factual or legal basis in which to set aside the Decree,
Sheryl's endeavors to manipulate the legal system by filing a baseless motion that
completely ignores the above, that conceals the dispositive facts that are fatal to

<sup>does not occur overnight or accompany the initial diagnosis. While Guardian ship
was established on November 23, 2020, Rodney's contractual incapacity wasn't
determined.</sup> 

 $<sup>\</sup>begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 26 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{bmatrix} 21 \end{bmatrix}$  If requested of the Court, Tessie has phone recordings between the parties confirming this fact as well as the absence of dementia.

<sup>27 ||&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> See e.g. Decree, page 6, line 5; page 11, line 20; page 12, line 6, submitted herewith as Exhibit "5" for the Court's convenience and review. Sheryl's portrayal of the Notary is patently false.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> See Cavell v. Cavell, 90 Nev. 334, 526 P.2d 330 (1974).

Sheryl's undertaking. The Stipulated Decree is an enforceable contract and the law
 of the case<sup>24</sup>--and while Sheryl may choose to ignore this fact, this Court certainly
 cannot.

According to Sheryl, on November 23, 2020, "a Court in Lincoln County, 4 Colorado appointed Mrs. Atterberg Mr. Wilkinson's guardian due to the fact that 5 Mr. Wilkinson was and is unable manage his finances or otherwise care for himself 6 as a result of cognitive impairment"25. Review of the Colorado Court's Order, 7 however, confirms Sheryl's statement is false and deliberately misleading. In fact, 8 the Colorado Order expressly excluded guardian (Sheryl) from managing the day-9 to-day finances for Rodney<sup>26</sup> (Rodney's medical records likewise disprove Sheryl's 10 representations). Notably, Rodney does not, and did not assert he is, or was, unable 11 and/or lacked the capacity to enter into contractual relations. 12

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# Legal Analysis

# A. Standard of Review.

Sheryl cites to N.R.C.P. 60(b) as support "to redress any injustices that may
have resulted due to excusable neglect or a wrong of an opposing party."
Shamelessly, however, Sheryl ignores the fact there has been no injustice, no
excusable neglect, and certainly no wrong committed by Tessie.

20Apparently, Sheryl concedes she is unable, and not entitled, to obtain relief21pursuant to NRCP 60(b) because absolutely no relief of any kind was sought

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**25**  $||^{25}$  Sheryl's Complaint at ¶17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> | <sup>24</sup> See Grisham v. Grisham, 128 Nev. 679, 289 P.3d 230 (2012); see also Kramer v.
<sup>24</sup> Kramer, 96 Nev. 759, 616 P.2d 395 (1980) (holding "A decree of divorce cannot be modified or set aside except as provided by rule or statute").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> See Colorado Order, page 2 of 3, paragraph 9, submitted herewith as Exhibit "1" for the Court's convenience and review. The Court also prevented Sheryl from obtaining hospital or institutional care and treatment for mental illness, developmental disability, alcoholism or substance abuse against the will of the ward. (Paragraph 13).

within the six-month time period designated for such relief. Though not
 addressed by Sheryl<sup>27</sup>, the "fraud" in NRCP 60 (b) (committed by an opposing
 party) is different from "fraud upon the Court" (generally committed by an officer
 of the court)<sup>28</sup> and Sheryl misapplies the applicability and content of NRCP 60(d).

5 In sum, the facts of this case and applicable law firmly establish Sheryl is
6 unable to obtain any relief from this Court pursuant to NRCP 60(b).

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# B. There has been no fraud upon the Court

8 Sheryl submits she is entitled to file the instant motion claiming Tessie
9 committed "fraud upon the court"—which renders failing to seek relief within six
10 months as set forth in NRCP 60(b) meaningless. Sheryl is grossly mistaken.
11 Indeed, Sheryl, misstates, misapplies, and clearly misunderstands what constitutes
12 "fraud upon the court".

As this Court knows, "[a] party seeking to vacate based on fraud upon the court "bears a heavy burden" and must provide clear and convincing evidence establishing the attorney defrauded the court<sup>29</sup>. Further, NRCP 60(b) motions based on fraud upon the court are available *only* "to prevent a grave miscarriage of justice."<sup>30</sup>

18 In Occhiuto, quoting United States v. International Telephone & Tel. Corp.,
19 the Nevada Supreme Court held<sup>31</sup>:

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<sup>22 &</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Through ignorance or a misunderstanding of the law at best, or at worst, intentionally ignored and concealed from the Court, making such conduct a violation of candor and sanctionable.

<sup>24 &</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> See Occhiuto v. Occhiuto, 97 Nev. 143, 625 P.2d 568 (1981); Mohney v. Eliades, 2017 Nev. App. Unpub. LEXIS 742; *NC-DSH, Inc. v. Garner*, 125 Nev. 647, 218

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> P.3d 853 (2009); Estate of Adams v. Fallini, 132 Nev. 814, 386 P.3d 621 (2016).

**<sup>26</sup>**  $||^{29}$  NC-DSH, supra, at 657-58, 218 P.3d at 860-61.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Bonnell v. Lawrence, 128 Nev. 394, 404, 282 P.3d 712, 715 (2012) (quoting United States v. Beggeerly, 524 U.S. 38, 47, 118 S.Ct. 1862) (internal quotation marks omitted).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> 349 F.Supp. 22, 29 (D.Conn. 1972), aff'd without opinion, 410 U.S. 919 (1973).

1	Generally speaking, only the most egregious misconduct, such as				
2	bribery of a judge or members of a jury, or the fabrication of evidence				
3	by a party <i>in which an attorney is implicated</i> , will constitute a fraud on the court. See Hazel-Atlas Glass Co. v. Hartford-Empire				
4	Co., 322 U.S. 238, 64 S.Ct. 997, 88 L.Ed. 1250 (1944); Root Refin.				
5	Co. v. Universal Oil Products, 169 F.2d 514 (3d Cir. 1948); 7 J. W. Moore, Federal Practice, para. 60.33 at 510-11. <i>Less egregious</i>				
6	misconduct, such as nondisclosure to the court of facts allegedly				
7	pertinent to the matter before it will not ordinarily rise to the level of fraud on the court. See Kupferman v. Consolidated Research &				
8	Mfg. Co., 459 F.2d 1072 (2d Cir. 1972); see also England v. Doyle, 281 F.2d 304, 310 (9th Cir. 1960) (emphasis supplied).				
9	The Court further noted:				
10	"[I]n order to set aside a judgment or order because of fraud upon				
11	the court under Rule $60(b)$ it is necessary to show an				
12	unconscionable plan or scheme which is designed to improperly influence the court in its decision." England v. Doyle, supra, 281 F.2d				
13	at 309. See also United States v. Standard Oil Co. of California, 73 F.R.D. 612, 615 (N.D.Cal. 1977).				
14	As noted in NC-DSH, Inc. v. Garner <sup>32</sup> , "fraud upon the court" does not mean				
15	any conduct of a party or lawyer of which the court disapproves and thus defined				
16	"fraud upon the court" as embracing:				
17	only that species of fraud which does, or attempts to, subvert the				
18	integrity of the court itself, or is a fraud perpetrated by officers of the court so that the judicial machinery cannot perform in the usual				
19	manner its impartial task of adjudging cases and relief should be				
20	denied in the absence of such conduct.				
21	NC-DSH recognized fraudulent conduct of an attorney/officer of the Court,				
22	and distinguished "fraud 'by an opposing party" from that by an attorney. "Where				
23	a judgment is obtained by fraud perpetrated by an attorney acting as an officer of				
24	the court, the judgment may be attacked for fraud on the court." Indeed, fraud on				
25	the court:				
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27	$\frac{1}{32}$ 125 Nev. 647, 218 P.3d 853 (2009) (dealing with fraud committed by a lawyer				
28	who is an officer of the court—noting attorney involvement is "a signal characteristic of many of the fraud on the court cases).				
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embrace[s] only that species of fraud which does, or attempts to, subvert the integrity of the court itself, or is a fraud perpetrated by officers of the court so that the judicial machinery cannot perform in the usual manner its impartial task of adjudging cases ... and *relief* should be denied in the absence of such conduct<sup>33</sup> (emphasis supplied).

"Where a judgment is obtained by fraud perpetrated by an attorney acting as an officer of the court, the judgment may be attacked for fraud on the court."<sup>34</sup> "Although not present in all fraud on the court cases, attorney involvement in the fraud is a signal characteristic of many." (citation omitted)<sup>35</sup>

While it has been established that Tessie engaged in no fraudulent conduct, nor committed any fraud, assuming arguendo such, it could not constitute fraud upon the court. Rodney initiated the divorce, Rodney instructed Tessie to begin the process and Rodney monitored the status and actively negotiated its terms<sup>36</sup>. As a matter of law, Rodney was not incapacitated nor lacked contractual capacity.

14 In conclusion, Sheryl's position and argument is untenable. Accordingly, the entirety of Sheryl's argument and application of "fraud on the court" is inaccurate, factually and legally unsustainable, and misplaced.

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<sup>19</sup> 33 NC-DSH, supra; Demjanjuk v. Petrovsky, 10 F.3d 338, 352 (6th Cir. 1994) (citing 7 Moore's Federal Practice § 60.33 (2d ed. 1978) (now at 20 12 Moore's Federal Practice, § 60.21[4][a] (3d ed. 2009)); Kupferman, 459 F.2d at 21 1078 (noting the Second Circuit adopted Moore's formulation); In re Intermagnetics America, Inc., 926 F.2d 912, 916 (9th Cir. 1991) (also adopting Moore's 22 formulation); see Occhiuto, 97 Nev. at 146 n.2, 625 P.2d at 570 n.2 (citing this 23 section of Moore's but without referring to the passage quoted in Demjanjuk).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Id., In re Tri-Cran, 98 B.R. 609, 616 (Bankr. D. Mass. 1989). 24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> *Id*; see also Demianiuk, 10 F.3d at 352 (noting that "[c]ases dealing with fraud on 25 the court often turn on whether the improper actions are those of parties alone, or if the attorneys in the case are involved"); Eastern Financing Corp. v. JSC Alchevsk 26 Iron, 258 F.R.D. 2008) (analyzing Hazel-Atlas, 76, 85 (S.D.N.Y. 27 Kupferman, and H. K. Porter Co. in these terms).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Including Rodney providing Tessie a list of the vehicles he wanted included in 28 the divorce settlement.

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# C. The Decree of Divorce is fair and equitable as a matter of law.

2 It is significant to note that Rodney had, as a matter of law, contractual capacity at the time the parties divorced and did not lack the legal capacity to 3 initiate, direct, and negotiate the Decree and execute his Answer. Indeed, Rodney 4 5 wasn't even appointed a guardian until almost a year later—and even then, Sheryl's powers were limited. Moreover, that court did not declare Rodney lacked 6 7 contractual capacity—and did not declare Rodney lacked contractual capacity when 8 negotiating and agreeing to the terms of the Decree (which are consistent with the 9 Trust Rodney prepared years before the parties ever married) $^{37}$ .

Furthermore, as a matter of law<sup>38</sup>, the Decree of Divorce (and Order of this Court) expressly provides that the terms of the Divorce Decree are "fair and reasonable" and "equitable and just"<sup>39</sup>—making Sheryl's claim the Decree did "not provide for an equitable distribution" patently *false* and serves only to further confirm Sheryl's bad faith and greed. Sheryl needlessly argues "unconscionability" knowing it is not applicable in this matter, hoping to mislead this Court with use of the catchphrase alone.

Sheryl violates the duty of candor that is owed to this Court when she falsely
claims Tessie exploited Rodney's limitations—*because Rodney was legally competent, had contractual capacity as a matter of law, and he initiated the decree and negotiated terms that were admittedly fair, equitable and just.* Sheryl
defames Tessie when stating Tessie knew of Rodney's "diminished capacity"
because at the time of their divorce he had no "diminished capacity". Lastly,
Sheryl lies when she states the divorce was fundamentally unfair because it

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Assuming the Colorado Guardianship Order is not void, Sheryl's failure to seek such relief at that time now precludes/estops her (res judicata, claim preclusion, issue preclusion) from seeking such relief at this time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Decree, Exhibit "5", page 11, line 20, page 12, line 6.

represents Rodney's intent and directives (consistent with his Trust of 2007—prior
 to the parties' marriage).

Further, the legal authority cited by Sheryl provides no support to her 3 The case of DelVecchio v. DelVecchio, 143 So.2d 17 (Fla. 1962), position. 4 addressed antenuptial agreements, the disclosure rule stated therein has been 5 superseded by statute, and is inapplicable in this case. Sheryl also cites *Petersen v*. 6 *Petersen*<sup>40</sup>, that involves a *default* judgment and a NRCP 60(b) motion that was 7 filed within 6 months. Significantly, the Petersen Court expressly noted it was not 8 commenting on the merits of the claim she was "defrauded". The case is inapposite 9 to the case at hand. 10

In the case of *Carlson v. Carlson<sup>41</sup>* that Sheryl cites, the Husband
"misrepresented the value of his pension" and "the record clearly demonstrate[d]
that the representations were the result of either mistake or fraud." In this case,
there was *no* misrepresentation and *no* misunderstanding as to the value of the
property and debt that was distributed. *Carlson* has no application to this case.

Lastly, the final case cited by Sheryl, *Cook v. Cook<sup>42</sup>*, is likewise immaterial
and unrelated to this matter. In *Cook*, the Husband, who drafted the property
settlement agreement, was an attorney who breached his duty of full and fair
disclosure and notably<sup>43</sup>, the wife *timely* filed a motion to vacate the divorce decree.

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<sup>43</sup> The *Cook* court noted the Husbands efforts of drafting the agreement constituted 25 an attorney-client relationship giving rise to legal ramifications. These ramifications included (1) the agreement being subject to this court's close scrutiny on appeal; the 26 attorney having a duty of full and fair disclosure; and the attorney having to 27 demonstrate by a higher standard of clear and satisfactory evidence that the transaction was fundamentally fair and free of professional 28 overreaching. Williams, 108 Nev. at 471-472, 836 P.2d at 618.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> 105 Nev. 133, 771 P.2d 159 (1989).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> <sup>41</sup> 108 Nev. 358, 832 P.2d 380 (1992).

**<sup>24</sup>** <sup>42</sup> 112 Nev. 179, 912 P.2d 264 (1996).

In this case, Rodney memorialized his intent to dispose of his assets to Tessie
 long before the parties were married when he prepared his Trust. Rodney also
 admitted to, and disclosed, significant marital waste and freely negotiated the terms
 of the Decree of Divorce. The parties deemed the Decree to be fair and reasonable,
 equitable and just, and is, by no means, unconscionable. Lastly, contrary to
 Sheryl's misguided interpretation, the division of the marital estate was equitable
 and consistent with the policy and laws of this State.

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# D. The Decree was, at best, voidable-not void.

Sheryl confuses (or mischaracterizes) void judgments with voidable ones. As 9 a threshold matter, the Decree of Divorce is valid, enforceable, and precludes 10 Sheryl from setting aside the Decree of Divorce between Rodney and Tessie. There 11 is no question the Family Court had jurisdiction to render the Decree of Divorce, 12 and neither party challenged its terms or validity. Accordingly, even if there was a 13 sufficient basis to set aside the Decree (which there was not), the time for doing so 14 has long lapsed.<sup>44</sup> It is long-established law that when a court has jurisdiction the 15 Decree would be voidable, not void. Hence, Sheryl's claim the Decree is "void" 16 and "void ab intio [sic]" is contrary to the law. 17

"If a judgment is deemed void, it is considered a legal nullity which can be
attacked collaterally<sup>45</sup>. It is significant to note that *only* a void judgment may be
attacked collaterally<sup>46</sup>. In *State Eng'r v. Sustacha*, the Nevada Supreme Court
confirmed that only void judgments are subject to collateral attack and ruled that
one district court could not set aside another district court's order <sup>47</sup>.

Citing *Rohlfing v. District Court*, 106 Nev. 902, 906, 803 P.2d 659, 662 (1990), the *Sustacha* Court affirmed "[t]he district courts of this state have equal

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<sup>26</sup> 44 See NRCP 60(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> 4<sup>5</sup> *In re Vance*, 2009 Tex. App. LEXIS 9154.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> See State ex rel. Smith v. Sixth Judicial Dist. Court, 63 Nev. 249 (1946).
 <sup>47</sup> 108 Nev. 223, 826 P.2d 959 (1992).

and coextensive jurisdiction; therefore, the various district courts lack jurisdiction
 to review the acts of other district courts."<sup>48</sup>

A voidable judgment, on the other hand, is one rendered by a court having
jurisdiction, and although seemingly valid, is irregular and erroneous<sup>49</sup>.
Significantly, a voidable decree will have the effect of a proper legal order unless *its propriety is successfully challenged through a direct attack on the merits*<sup>50</sup>.

In this case, the Decree of Divorce is a valid and enforceable Decree. As a 7 voidable Decree (at best), no challenge was made and as a matter of law, remains 8 binding and the law of the case. Because there was no challenge to the Decree of 9 Divorce between Rodney and Tessie before Judge Forsberg, the Decree remains 10 valid, enforceable, and binding. More importantly, there has been an agreement 11 and a judicial determination and Order that the terms of the Divorce Decree are 12 "fair and reasonable" and "equitable and just"<sup>51</sup>—making Sheryl's claim the Decree 13 did "not provide for an equitable distribution" false as a matter of law. 14

As noted above, this Court clearly had jurisdiction and the Decree was
voidable—not void. Sheryl's argument of void judgments and the inapplicability of
the "six-month limitation" to void judgments, has no bearing to this case. Rodney
was *not* legally incapacitated nor lacked contractual capacity when he submitted to

**<sup>21</sup>**  $||_{48}$  108 Nev. at 226.

**<sup>22</sup>** <sup>49</sup> Black's law Dictionary (7 Ed. 1999) 848.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> State ex rel. Newitt v. Fourth Judicial Dist. Court, 61 Nev. 164, 121 P.2d 442 23 (1942); Vaile v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 118 Nev. 262, 44 P.3d 506 (2002) (court action "valid until it is set aside by a direct proceeding for that 24 purpose"); Orrway Motor Service, Inc. v. Illinois Commerce Com., 353 N.E.2d 253 25 (1976); Moore v. Moore, 75 Nev. 189, 336 P.2d 1073 (1959) (voidable Decree is valid until vacated and set aside (cited with approval on many occasions and [court] 26 consider[ed] the rule well settled.); State ex rel. Newitt v. Fourth Judicial Dist. 27 Court, 61 Nev. 164, 121 P.2d 442 (1942) (holding voidable judgment valid and subsisting unless set aside). 28 <sup>51</sup> Decree, Exhibit "5", page 11, line 20, page 12, line 6.

the jurisdiction of this Court and Sheryl's representations are baseless, false, and
 disproved by the evidence.

Further, it is significant to note Sheryl fails to provide any legal authority to
support her argument that the Court lacked personal jurisdiction over Rodney. This
failure alone enables this Court to deem that an admission that her motion is *not*meritorious<sup>52</sup>. Sheryl also fails to address those factors that must be considered
when a party seeks to defeat personal jurisdiction<sup>53</sup>.

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# E. Sheryl's insatiable quest for financial gain does not entitle her a fishing expedition or an evidentiary hearing.

Sheryl admits she *doesn't* know what caused Rodney's dementia,<sup>54</sup> but there is no question Rodney wasn't born with it and upon reaching the age of maturity, obtained legal competence and contractual capacity, and exercised such throughout his life. There was no judicial determination that Rodney was legally incompetent or lacked contractual capacity, and a guardianship wasn't established until long after he initiated and obtained a divorce from Tessie, and thus, as a matter of law, he was both legally competent and capable of entering into contractual relations at the time he negotiated the terms of the Decree and executed his Answer.

Further, the medical records that Sheryl disclosed to the Court reveal the onset of dementia began in May of 2020—again, after the Decree was obtained. Despite Sheryl's admissions, coupled with the evidence and applicable precedent,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> See EDCR 5.503.

<sup>See Mattel, Inc. v. Greiner & Hausser GmbH, 354 F.3d 857 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. Ct. of App. 2003), wherein the court identified the following factors: (1) the extent of the defendants' purposeful interjection into the forum state's affairs; (2) the burden on the defendant of defending in the forum; (3) the extent of conflict with the sovereignty of the defendants' state; (4) the forum state's interest in adjudicating the dispute; (5) the most efficient judicial resolution of the controversy; (6) the importance of the forum to the plaintiff's interest in convenient and effective relief; and (7) the existence of an alternative forum. No one factor is dispositive; rather, the court balances all seven.</sup> 

**<sup>28</sup>** <sup>54</sup> Sheryl's "Opposition" in the civil action, submitted herewith as Exhibit "7" for the Court's convenience and review, page 3 of 18, lines 25-26.

Sheryl's claim Rodney was legally incompetent and lacked contractual capacity is
 disingenuous and untenable. It is significant to note Sheryl admits, following the
 parties divorce, that Tessie arranged for law enforcement and social services to
 check on Rodney, and even sending her son on occasions, to see how Rodney was
 doing.

Notably, *none of these agencies*—skilled and entrusted with recognizing
legally incapable persons, found Rodney to be lacking in capacity. When Sheryl
sought guardianship, the Court did not find Rodney was legally incapacitated or
lacked contractual capacity when the Decree was entered. Hence, there is no legal
or factual basis for Sheryl seeking to set aside the Decree, or for this Court to
sanction a fishing expedition.

Sheryl's reliance on *Hale v. Hale<sup>55</sup>*, is misplaced and the ruling actually 12 confirms the impropriety of Sheryl commencing litigation before this Court or in 13 the civil action and reinforces the corresponding need to dismiss the action in its 14 entirety. In Hale, the appellant represented himself in the summary divorce 15 proceedings and subsequently filed a 60(b) motion to set aside the decree based 16 upon his dementia. Unlike this case, Hale had been diagnosed with dementia 17 before executing the agreement—the onset of Rodney's dementia did not happen 18 until after the divorce. Hale confirms that the Decree of Divorce under such 19 circumstances is voidable—and must be brought before the Court that executed the 20 Decree. Seeking such relief before this Court is improper and disallowed by law. 21

It is also significant to note that in *Hale*, the Decree of Divorce was *not* set
aside. *The only party that is acting in bad faith is Sheryl*.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> 130 Nev. 1184 (2014).

1	F. Tessie is entitled to an award of Attorney's fees and costs for					
2	having to respond to and oppose a baseless motion that was filed in bad faith.					
3	Sheryl should be ordered to pay Tessie's attorney's fees and costs for having					
4	to respond to a Motion to Dismiss devoid of merit, riddled with gross misstatements					
5	of fact and law, and lacking of dispositive facts. NRS 18.010 provides, in pertinent					
6	part, as follows:					
7	1. The compensation of an attorney and counselor for his or her					
8	services is governed by agreement, express or implied, which is not restrained by law.					
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10	2. In addition to the cases where an allowance is authorized by specific statute, the court may make an allowance of attorney's fees to a					
11	prevailing party:					
12	(a) When the prevailing party has not recovered more than \$20,000; or					
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	(b) Without regard to the recovery sought, when the court finds that the claim, counterclaim, cross-claim or third-party complaint or defense of the opposing party was brought or maintained without					
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15	reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. The court shall liberally construe the provisions of this paragraph in favor of					
16	awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations. It is the intent					
17	of the Legislature that the court award attorney's fees pursuant to this					
18	paragraph and impose sanctions pursuant to Rule 11 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure in all appropriate situations to punish for and					
19	deter frivolous or vexatious claims and defenses because such claims and defenses overburden limited judicial resources, hinder the timely resolution of meritorious claims and increase the costs of engaging in					
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21	business and providing professional services to the public.					
22	Additionally, E.D.C.R. 7.60(b) states:					
23	(b) The court may, after notice and an opportunity to be heard, impose					
24	upon an attorney or a party any and all sanctions which may, under the					
25	facts of the case, be reasonable, including the imposition of fines, costs or attorney's fees when an attorney or a party without just cause:					
26	(1) Presents to the court a <i>motion</i> or an opposition to a motion <i>which</i>					
27	is obviously frivolous, unnecessary or unwarranted.					
28	(2) Fails to prepare for a presentation.					
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1 2	(3) So multiplies the proceedings in a case as to increase costs unreasonably and vexatiously.
	(4) Fails or refuses to comply with these rules.
3	(5) Fails or refuses to comply with any order of a judge of the court.
4	Further, NRS 7.085 also provides this Court with the requisite authority to
5	make Tessie whole for Sheryl's bad faith and frivolous filing. Therein, it states:
6	1. If a court finds that an attorney has:
7	(a) Filed, maintained or defended a civil action or proceeding in any
8	court in this State and <i>such action</i> or defense <i>is not well-grounded in</i>
9	<i>fact or is not warranted by existing law</i> or by an argument for changing the existing law that is made in good faith; or
10	(b) Unreasonably and vexatiously extended a civil action or
11	proceeding before any court in this State, the court shall require the
12	attorney personally to pay the additional costs, expenses and attorney's fees reasonably incurred because of such conduct.
13	2. The court shall liberally construe the provisions of this section in
14	favor of awarding costs, expenses and attorney's fees in all appropriate situations. It is the intent of the Legislature that the court
15	award costs, expenses and attorney's fees pursuant to this section and
16	impose sanctions pursuant to Rule 11 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure in all appropriate situations to punish for and deter frivolous
17	or vexatious claims and defenses because such claims and defenses
18	overburden limited judicial resources, hinder the timely resolution of
19	meritorious claims and increase the costs of engaging in business and providing professional services to the public. (emphasis added).
20	Thus, "NRS 7.085 allows a district court to make an attorney personally
21	liable for the attorney fees and costs an opponent incurs when the attorney files,
22	maintains or defends a civil action that is not well-grounded in fact or is not
23	warranted by existing law or by a good-faith argument for changing the existing
24	law." <sup>56</sup>
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28	<sup>56</sup> Watson Rounds, P.C., v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Ct. (Himelfarb & Associates), 131 Nev. 783, 784, 358 P.3d 228, 230 (2015).
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NRCP 11 also enables this Court to impose sanctions if any pleading, written motion, or other paper is filed that is being filed for any improper purpose, such as to "harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation."

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The Nevada Supreme Court, in Watson Rounds, held that NRCP 11 and NRS 4 7.085 each represent a distinct, independent mechanism for sanctioning attorney 5 misconduct. 131 Nev. at 791. 6

With specific reference to Family Law matters, the Court has adopted "well-7 known basic elements," which in addition to hourly time schedule kept by the 8 attorney, are to be considered in determining the reasonable value of an attorney's 9 services and qualities, commonly referred to as the Brunzell factors. The Nevada 10 Supreme Court in Brunzell v. Golden Gate National Bank<sup>57</sup>identifies those factors 11 as follows: 12

1. The Qualities of the Advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; 14 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; and 4. The Result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived. Each of these factors should be given consideration, and no one element should predominate or be given undue weight.<sup>58</sup> Additional guidance is provided by reviewing the "attorney's fees" cases most often cited in Family Law.<sup>59</sup> The 5785 Nev. 345, 349, 455 P.2d 31, 33 (1969) 26 <sup>58</sup>Miller v. Wilfong, 121 Nev. 619, 119 P.3d 727, 730 (2005). 59 Fletcher v. Fletcher, 89 Nev. 540, 516 P.2d 103 (1973); Levy v. Levy, 96 Nev. 902, 620 P.2d 860 (1980), Hybarger v. Hybarger, 103 Nev. 255, 737 P.2d 889 (1987).

Brunzell factors require counsel to make a representation as to the "qualities of the
 advocate," the character and difficulty of the work performed, and the work
 actually performed by the attorney.

4 Those factors, when applied to the facts of this case, warrant Sheryl being
5 directed to reimburse Tessie for the attorney's fees she has incurred having to bring
6 Sheryl's bad faith, material misrepresentations, and violation of her duty of candor,
7 to the attention of this court.

8 Tessie's counsel has considerable experience in the fields of civil and family 9 law litigation. As demonstrated, *supra*, the work presented has been legally and 10 factually adequate and representative of a diligent review of the applicable law and 11 relevant facts. Tessie should be awarded fees sufficient to reimburse her for the 12 fees she has incurred in preparing this opposition and countermotion.

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# V.

## **Conclusion**

Sheryl is opportunistic, greedy, and dishonest. Her quest for financial gain,
now that she has obtained guardianship over an estranged brother, has resulted in a
frantic maneuver to mislead the Court. Sheryl grossly misstates the facts and
applicable law. Based on the foregoing Tessie respectfully requests this Court to
enter an Order:

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- 1. Denying Defendant's motion in its entirety;
- 2. Awarding Tessie attorney's fees for having to respond to a patently frivolous motion and to misstatements of fact and law; and

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1	3. Addressing any additional relief this Court deems necessary.						
2	Dated this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.						
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2	DECLARATION OF TESSIE ELMA ALMARIO			
3	I, Tessie Elma Almario, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of			
4	the State of Nevada that the following is true and correct.			
5	1. That I am the Plaintiff in this action and am competent to testify as to the			
6	matters stated herein.			
7	2. I have read the foregoing opposition and countermotion, and the factual			
8	averments it contains are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, except as to			
9	those matters based on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe			
10	them to be true. Those factual averments contained in the referenced filing are			
11	incorporated here as if set forth in full.			
12	DATED this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.			
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14	<u>/s/ Tessie Elma Almario</u> Tessie Elma Almario			
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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE					
2	I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of HOFLAND &					
3	TOMSHECK, that pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2, NEFCR 9, and NRCP					
4	5(b), on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021, I served the forgoing PLAINTIFF'S					
5	OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO SET ASIDE THE					
6	<b>DIVORCE DECREE PURSUANT TO NRCP 60(b) and COUNTERMOTION</b>					
7	FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES AND RELATED RELIEF on the following parties					
8	by E-Service through the Odyssey filing system and/or U.S. Mail addressed as					
9	follows:					
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11	JAMES W. KWON, ESQ.					
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.	and Plaintiff's Countermotion for Relief Pursuant to					
	NRCP 60 in Case No. A-20-825-785-C					
	DATED this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.					
	HOFLAND & TOMSHECK					
,	By: <u>/s/ Bradley J. Hofland</u>					
	Bradley J. Hofland, Esq.					
	Nevada Bar No. 6343					
	228 South 4 <sup>th</sup> Street, 1 <sup>st</sup> I					
	Las Vegas, Nevada 8910					
	Telephone: (702) 895-6760 Attorney for Plaintiff, Tessie Elma Almario					
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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE						
2	I hereby certify that I am an employee of Hofland & Tomsheck, that Pursuant						
3	to NRCP 5(b) and EDCR 7.26, I certify that on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021, I						
4	served the foregoing APPENDIX OF EXHIBITS IN SUPPORT OF						
5	PLAINTIFF'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO SET ASIDE						
6	THE DIVORCE DECREE PURSUANT TO NRCP 60(b) and						
7	COUNTERMOTION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES AND RELATED RELIEF						
8	on the following party via E-Service through Odyssey and/or U.S. Mail addressed,						
9	as follows:						
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11	JAMES W. KWON, ESQ. jkwon@jwklawfirm.com						
12	Attorney for Defendant						
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14	By: <u>/s/ Nikki Woulfe</u>						
15	An Employee of Hofland & Tomsheck						
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# EXHIBIT "1"

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District Court, Lincoln County, Colorado 103 Third Ave, PO Box 128 Hugo, CO 80821	DATE FILED: November 23, 2020 1:22 PM	
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In the Matter of the Estate of: Rodney Edward Wilkinson	Case Number: 2020PR30016	
	Division: 1	
ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN FOR ADULT		

Upon consideration of the Petition for Appointment of Guardian for the above respondent and

hearing on \_\_\_\_\_ November 23, 2020 (date),

The court has considered any express wishes of the respondent concerning the selection of the

guardian. The court has considered the powers and duties of the guardian, the scope of the

guardianship, and the priority and qualifications of the nominee.

The court finds, determines and orders:

- 1. Venue is proper and required notices have been given or waived.
- 2. The evidence is clear and convincing that the respondent is an incapacitated person and the respondent's needs cannot be met by less restrictive means, including the use of appropriate and reasonably available technological assistance.
- 3. The nature and extent of the respondent's incapacity is as follows: Ward is not capable of completely caring for himself. Due to his strokes and Traumatic brain. Injuries he "forgets" simple tasks such as how to use a microwave or other household appliances. Ward cannot always remember to feed himself or to visit his medical doctors and take prescriptions on time.

4. The court appoints the following persons as co-guardian for the ward:

Sheryl Kay Atterberg PO Box 4109 Idaho Springs, CO 80452 520-820-8338 k9ul@icloud.com

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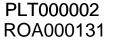
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- 5. The guardian must promptly notify the court if the guardian's street address, email address, or phone number changes or of any change of address for the ward.
- 6. The guardian may not establish or move the ward's custodial dwelling outside the State of Colorado without a court order.
- 7. Within 30 days of appointment, the guardian must provide a copy of this Order Appointing Guardian for Adult to the ward and persons given notice of the petition and must advise those persons using Notice of Appointment of Guardian and/or Conservator (JDF 812) that they have the right to request termination or modification of the guardianship.
- The guardian must file the initial Guardian's Report Adult (JDF 850) by <u>January 14, 2021</u> (date 60 days from appointment) and must file annual Guardian's Report - Adult (JDF 850) by each <u>February 28</u> (date) beginning in <u>2022</u> (year), for the duration of the guardianship.
- 9. [] The guardian must manage the day-to-day finances for the support, care, education, health and welfare of the ward. The guardian is required to maintain supporting documentation for all receipts and all disbursements during the duration of this appointment. The court further orders the following:
- 10. Decide Medical powers of attorney, whether executed prior to or following the entry of this order, are terminated, except as follows:

11. Copies of all future court filings must be provided to the following interested persons:

Name	Relationship to the Ward	
Rodney Edward Wilkinson	Ward	
Sheryl Atterberg	Guardian	
Steve Atterberg	Co-Guardian	

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- 12. The guardian is authorized to access the ward's medical records and information. The guardian is deemed to be ward's personal representative for all purposes relating to ward's protected health information, as provided in HIPAA, Section 45 CFR 164.502(g)(2).
- 13. The guardian does not have the authority to obtain hospital or institutional care and treatment for mental illness, developmental disability, alcoholism or substance abuse against the will of the ward.
- 14. If the ward is an "at risk elder" or "at risk adult with an intellectual and developmental disability," and if the guardian has reasonable cause to believe that the ward has been abused or exploited or is at imminent risk of abuse or exploitation, the guardian is required to make a report to law enforcement within 24 hours after the observation or discovery pursuant to C.R.S. § 18-6.5-108(1)(b)(XII).

# 15. Letters of Guardianship will be issued. The powers and duties of the guardian are unrestricted. The powers and duties of the guardian are limited by the following restrictions:

16. The court further orders:

November 23, 2020

[8] Judge 4] Magistrate

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District Court, Lincoln County, Colorado 103 Third Ave, PO Box 128 Hugo, CO 80821		
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In the Matter of the Estate of:		
	Case Number: 2020PR30016	
Rodney Edward Wilkinson		
	Division: 1	
LETTERS OF PERMANENT CO-GUARDIANSHIP FOR AN ADULT		

Sheryl Atterberg and Steven Atterberg (co-guardians) were appointed by court order on November 23, 2020 (date) as: Co-Guardians pursuant to § 15-14-311, C.R.S.

The guardians must have access to respondent's/ward's medical records and information to the same extent that the respondent/ward is entitled. The guardians must be deemed to be the respondent's /ward's personal representative for all purposes relating to his or her protected health information, as provided in HIPAA, Section 45 CFR 164.502(g)(2).

These Letters of Guardianship are proof of the guardian's full authority to act, except for the following restrictions:

The guardians do not have the authority to obtain hospital or institutional care and treatment for mental illness, developmental disability, or alcoholism against the will of the respondent/ward pursuant to § 15-14-316(4), C.R.S.

The respondent /ward's place of residence must not be changed from the State of Colorado without an order of the court pursuant to § 15-14-315(1)(b), C.R.S.  $\Box$  Other lumitations:



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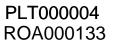
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#### CERTIFICATION

Certified to be a true copy of the original in my custody and to be in full force and effect as of

Docember 1, 2020 (date).

Probate Registrar/(Deputy)Clerk of Court



# LINCOLN COUNTY COMBINED COURT



103 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue P O Box 128 Hugo, CO 80821-0128

Telephone: (719) 743-2455

December 1, 2020

Steve Atterberg PO Box 4109 Idaho Springs, CO 80452

RE: Case No. 20PR30016

Mr. Atterberg,

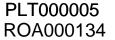
Enclosed you will find five certified copies of Amended Letters of Permanent Co-Conservatorship for an Adult. We added one more piece to the Letters per Judge Hurst's instructions. On the Amended Letters you will see a fourth box that says *Co-Conservators are authorized to file appropriate legal proceedings and Lis Pendes to protect preserve and marshal the protected person's estate.* 

I am sorry for any inconvenience.

Sincerely,

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In the Interest of:	
	Case Number: 20PR30016
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	Division: 1
AMENDED LETTERS OF PERMANENT CO-CONSERVATORSHIP FOR AN	
ADULT	

Sheryl Kay Atterberg and Steven Atterberg (co-conservators) was appointed by court order on November 23, 2020 \_\_(date) as:

Conservator pursuant to § 15-14-409, C.R.S.

These Letters of Conservatorship are proof of:

The conservator's authority to exercise all the powers in § 15-14-425, C.R.S., subject to the exclusions in § 15-14-411, C.R.S. The powers and duties of the conservator are otherwise unrestricted.

Ithe conservator's authority to exercise the powers in § 15-14-425, C.R.S., are limited by the following restrictions:

Ithe conservator must not, without prior court order, convey or encumber any real estate owned by the protected person.

Co-Conservators are authorized to file appropriate legal proceedings and Lis Pendes to protect preserve and marshal the protected person's estate.

Date: December 1, 2020

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#### CERTIFICATION

Certified to be a true copy of the original in my custody and to be in full force and effect as of DECEMBER 1, 20,20 (date).

Probate Registrar/(DeputyClerk of Court

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# EXHIBIT "2"

### THE RODNEY E. WILKINSON TRUST

Dated this 14 DAY OF August, 2007

#### Rodney E. Wilkinson

whose current address is 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Sherman County, Ks 67735, hereinafter referred to "Settlor," and

#### **Rodney E. Wilkinson**

hereinafter referred to as the TRUSTEE, is as follows:

The Settlors hereby transfer to the Trustees the property described in Schedule "A" which is hereto attached and made a part of this agreement, and the Trustees accept that property and agree to hold the property in trust pursuant to the terms hereof. That property and any other property added to the trust in accordance with the provisions of this instrument and all investments and reinvestments hereof shall be held in trust under the following terms and conditions:

#### **ARTICLE I**

#### NAME OF TRUST

This instrument of trust is hereby named "The Rodney E. Wilkinson Trust dated the <u>1449</u> day of <u>Avgust</u>, 2007."

#### ARTICLE II

#### FAMILY OF THE SETTLOR

Rodney E. Wilkinson has never been married, has no children, either living or dead, and has one brother, John Wilkinson, and one sister, Sheryl Atterberg. Under no

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#### ADDITIONS TO AND WITHDRAWLS FROM THE TRUST ESTATE

The Settlor or any other person may transfer, by will or otherwise, any other property to the trust estate with the consent of the trustces to be administered under the terms and provisions of this trust agreement.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### AMENDMENT AND REVOCATION

The Settlor may, from time to time, amend this trust agreement in any respect or revoke it in whole or in part by an instrument in writing signed by the Settlor and delivered to the trustees during the Settlor's lifetime, provided that the duties and compensation of the trustees shall not be materially changed by any amendment without their written approval. Settlor shall have the right to alter, amend, change or revoke this instrument during their lifetimes, or during the lifetime of the survivor of them.

#### ARTICLE V

# DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME AND/OR PRINCIPAL DURING SETTLOR'S LIFETIME

The Trustee may distribute the trust income and or principal, to the extent of exhausting the trust assets, to Rodney E. Wilkinson, during his lifetime. However, if the settlor become incapacitated through illness, age or other causes, the trustee may, in his or her discretion, from time to time, during the period the trustees believes such incapacity continues, use so much of the net income and any portion or all of the principal of the trust for the reasonable support, maintenance and health of the settlor as the trustees from

PLT000008 ROA000138 time to time determines to be necessary; and the trustee, or successor trustees, may in their uncontrolled discretion.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

### DISPOSITION OF THE TRUST PROPERTY AFTER THE SETTLOR'S DEATH

After the Settlor's death, , the trustees shall pay all the just and provable debts of the Settlor, the expenses of last illness, funeral expenses, cost of administration and claims allowed in the administration of the settler's estate, if any, and pay all death taxes imposed on said estate, whether federal or state. All such payments shall be made prior to the distribution of my assets to a beneficiary hereunder.

The balance of the trust assets, of whatsoever kind and whosesoever situated, shall be distrusted, as follows:

(a) To my friend and confidant Tessie Mae Brown, whose current address is 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Ks 67735;

Road 10, Goodland, Ks 67735;  $\mathcal{FL}$  (b) If the said Tessie Mae Brown shall fail to survive me, then all of the proceeds of the trust shall be distributed to Erica Sarai Bell, whose address is 377 Alta Vista Drive, S., San Francisco, CA 94080.

RW (c) If neither of the foregoing survive me, then I direct that all trust proceeds be distributed to <u>Sheeye</u>. Atterburg, my EISTER.

#### ARTICLE VI

# CONTESTING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS INSRUMENT OF TRUST

I have carefully considered the provisions of this trust instrument and the distribution of the assets there under. I feel that the provisions are very fair and should be enforced as we have stated herein. Should any distributee or heir, whether named herein or not, threaten or attempt to contest any of the trust provisions, then his or her

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#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### **INCAPACITY OF SETTLOR OR TRUSTEES**

If at any time the Settlor or a trustee named herein shall receive a written statement signed by the personal physician of either of the Settlor or a Trustee stating that the said physician considers either the Settlor, or either of them, or a Trustee to be so mentally or physically incapacitated as to be unable to effectively manage or apply her estate to necessary ends, and if the other Trustees shall concur in any such statement and shall file a similar statement in the records of the trust, then, whether or not that a Settlor or a Trustee may have been adjudicated or certified an incapacitated or incompetent person and notwithstanding any contrary direction from Settor or the Trustee, that Settlor or that Trustee may be considered incapacitated.

If a Settlor or a Trustee is determined to be incapacitated, then, during the period of such incapacity, (a) if a Settlor or a Trustee is then acting as a Trustee hereunder, he or she shall be deemed to have resigned; (b) any attempt by Settlor or Trustee to exercise any of the powers under this agreement shall be without force and effect; (c) if a disinterested trustee shall have power and authority to exercise or perform any act, power, duty, right or obligation whatsoever that Settlor or a Trustee may have, relating to any person, matter, transaction or property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, whether in the trust estate or owned by Settlor, including, with limitation, power to transfer to itself upon the terms set forth in this agreement any property owned by the Settlor. The power granted to the Trustee or Trustees under (c) shall be construed and interpreted as a general, durable power of attorney to act as Settlors' attorney-in-fact and agent in their names and for their benefit and shall in addition to all other powers bestowed upon the Trustee or Trustees by this agreement.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The following administrative provisions are for the express purpose of guiding the trustees in the prudent administration of this trust:

1. If at any time a beneficiary eligible to receive net income or principal distributions is under legal disability, or in the opinion of the trustees in incapable of property managing her personal financial affairs, then the trustees may make those distributions directly to the beneficiary, to a lawful guardian of the beneficiary or to a custodian selected by the trustee for the beneficiary under a Uniform Trustees to Minors Act or similar applicable law, or may otherwise expend the amounts to be distributed for the beneficiary in such manner as the trustees deems advisable.

2. As used throughout this instrument, the term lawful guardian: shall mean successively in the order named: (i) the court-appointed guardian of the estate; (ii) either parent, or (iii) the individual having personal custody (whether or not a court-appointed guardian) where no guardian of the estate has been appointed.

3. The trustees may withhold distribution of principal or interest to the beneficiary in such cases to make certain that the income and principal distributions are used wisely and prudently for the benefit of that beneficiary. If a dispute arises, then they are directed to seek the guidance of the District Court of the State of Kansas having jurisdiction of the trust instrument under Kansas law to assist them in their decisions.

4. Except as may otherwise be provided by law, no power of appointment or power of withdrawal shall be subject to involuntary exercise, and no interest of any beneficiary shall be subject to anticipation, to claims for alimony or support, to the payment of medical, doctor, hospitalization or nursing home expenses, to voluntary transfer without the written consent of the trustees, or to involuntary transfer in any event.

5. If there is a dispute concerning who is rightfully entitled to distribution under the terms and conditions of this trust, then the trustees shall use their own discretion in making that distribution and be guided by Kansas law in such cases made and provided.

## ARTICLE VIII

### TRUSTEES POWERS

The Trustee or trustees serving under the terms of this trust shall have full power as set forth under the Uniform Trustees' Power Act, specifically K.S.A. 58-12-01, et seq., and the trustees herein appointed shall have the specific authority to sell lease, mortgage or other side dispose of or lease real or personal property, as they deem best, without interference from or an order from the District Court of any county or state. The purchaser of real or personal property from the trustees of the trust shall be under no duty to follows the proceeds of such sale.

#### ARTICLE IX

### TRUSTEES

Any trustee may resign at any time by giving prior written notice to the co trustee, if then living, or if the cotrustee is not then living, to the beneficiaries to whom the current trust income may or must then be distributed.

There shall always be at least two successor trustees under this trust who shall

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serve as co-trustees. I respectfully ask that a corporate trustee not be appointed to serve as co- trustee or as trustee under the provisions of this instrument.

m successor trustee shall not be liable for acts, defaults or omissions of prior trustees. A successor trustee shall have the title, duties, powers and discretion of the trustee succeeded without the necessity of conveyance or transfer.

## RESIGATION AND APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEES

If the original trustee hereunder shall die, resign, become incapacitated or unwilling or unable to perform the duties of a trustee, then a successor trustee shall be appointed. I direct that Kenneth Yoke and Bernard E. Whalen be appointed as cotrustees. The successor trustees shall not incur any liability or be under any legal duty to act, until they have accepted their position in writing. The trustees, shall be entitled to a reasonable fee while service in office. It is my intention that family members shall not serve as trustees at any time or for any reason.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Settlors have affixed their hands and seals and the trustees have executed this instrument all on this  $\frac{144}{14}$  day of  $\frac{1}{140}$ , 2007...

**SETTLOR:** 

Rodney E. Willinson

**TRUSTEES:** 

Rodry E. Williow Rodney E. Wilkinson

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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STATE OF KANSAS, SHERMAN COUNTY, SS

On this  $\underline{/^{1/2}}_{day}$  day of  $\underline{A_{1/2}}_{disc}$ , 2007, came before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county and state aforesaid, came Rodney E. Wilkinson, Settlor of said trust in my presence and duly acknowledged the execution thereof.

NOTARY PUBLIC - State of Kanass J. CHANCE SCHILLING My Appl. Expires 8/2/2011	9. Ur 5d
	Notary Public

My appointment expires:\_\_\_\_\_

## STATE OF KANSAS, SHERMAN COUNTY, SS

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

On this  $\underline{///}$  day of  $\underline{//////}_{2050}$ , 2007, came before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the county and state aforesaid, came Rodney E. Wilkinson, and duly acknowledged the foregoing instrument as the Trustees of said Trust.

J. CHANCE SCHILLING	J. A. Schilly
My Appt Expires 8/02/2011	Notary Public
My commission expires:	

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### SCHEDULE "A"

## RODNEY E. WILKINSON TRUST DATED \_\_\_\_\_DAY OF AUGUST, 2007

Rodney E. Wilkinson does on this <u>day</u> of August, 2007, transfer, assign full and complete ownership in and to all the following described property to Rodney E. Wilkinson, Trustee, and his successor trustees, the following described real and personal property:

Real Estate:

## The Northeast one-quarter (¼) of Section Twenty-Six (26), and The South one-half of Section Twenty-Eight (28), All in Township Nine (9), S, Range Forty-one (41) West of the P.M. in Sherman County, Kansas.

Personal Property:

Four thousand shares of Western Crane and Rigging, Inc., a Kansas Corporation, represented by stock certificate number Five (5), of said corporation.

All farm equipment owned by Rodney E. Wilkinson, of every kind and description, including tractors, combines, comheads, and all personal property used in the care and repair of said described equipment, with specifically listed herein, or not.

All cars, trucks and other licensed vehicles, whether the title has yet been transferred, or not.

All furniture, household effects and other personal property in the hone of Rodney E. Wilkinson, whether specifically listed herein, or not.

Dated at Goodland, Ks this day of August, 2007.

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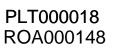
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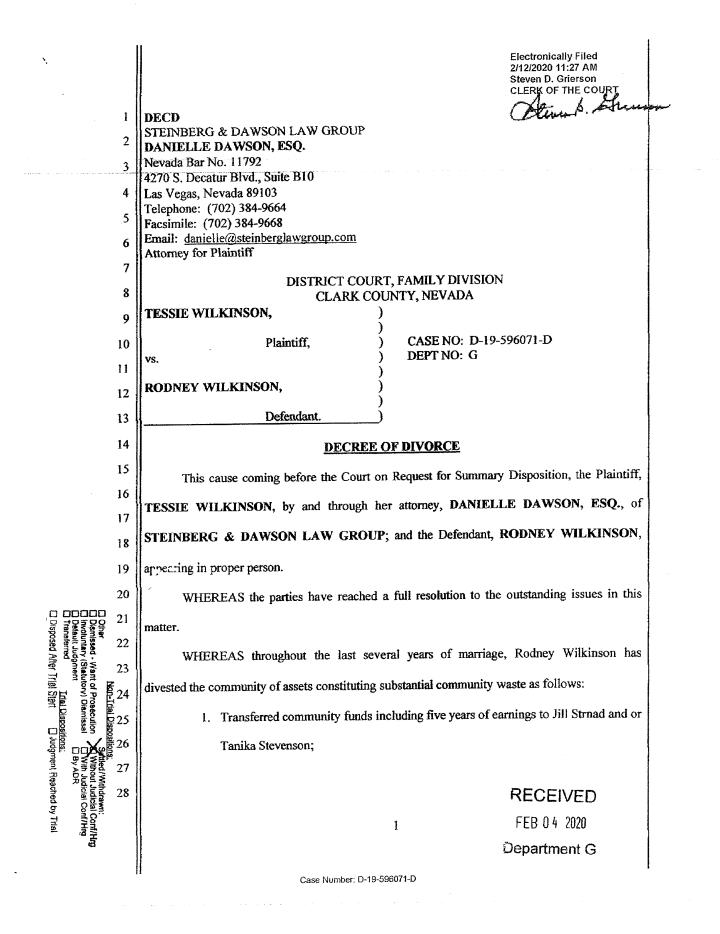
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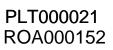
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7	Therefore, <b>IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED</b> that the following community property shall be set
9	over and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate property:
10	1. The Chevrolet Suburban VIN ending in 9469;
11	<ol> <li>All personal property owned prior to the marriage;</li> </ol>
12	<ol> <li>Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension</li> </ol>
13 14	plans or otherwise in his name only not otherwise herein named;
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18	<ol> <li>Any personal items currently in his possession.</li> <li>IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that the following community property shall be set</li> </ol>
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20	over and hereby awarded to the Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate property:
22	1. US Bank account ending in the numbers 8904 with a current approximate value of
23	\$373;
24	2. The real property located at 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada
25	89178;
26	3. The real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
27 28	4. The 2012 Chevrolet Corvette VIN ending in 0723;
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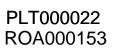
1	5,	The Service Truck VIN 2GCFK29K951206963;
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3	6.	The 1977 Kenworth Winch Truck VIN 155197SG2;
4	7.	The following heavy equipment:
5	a.	P & H 140 Ton crane, Model 9125-TC;
6	b.	Manitowac 100 ton crane, Model 3900A, SN 39670;
7	c.	Lima 90 ton crane, Model 990TC;
8	d.	P & H 90 ton crane, Model 8115TC, SN 35419;
9	e.	P & H 50 ton crane;
10	f.	P & H 25 ton crane;
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13 14		2 bulldozers;
14	i.	1977 Kenworth VIN 055097SGL;
16	j.	1972 Peterbilt ID 41337P, FHP364802;
17	k.	1955 Mack VIN B705T1209;
18	1.	1955 Kenworth VIN 64338;
19	m.	1959 Mack VIN B73S1370;
20	n.	1962 Mack winch truck;
21	0.	6000 Cherry Picker;
22	p.	100 ton press;
23		Lo Boy 35 ton Cozad Trailer # CC80062;
24	q.	
25	г.	1993 Western Star Boom Truck Serial No. 2WKPDCCHIPK931154;
26	S.	750 Holmes Wrecker Tow Truck;
27	t.	Autocar Winch Truck;
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1	u. Maritime Hydraulic Drilling Rig;
2	v. Any and all tools located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735.
3	8. Any and all rights assigned to Rodney Wilkinson through the contract with Dan
4	Fontenot of Synergy Oil Field Services, LLC.
5	9. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;
6 7	10. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension
, 8	plans or otherwise in her name only;
9	11. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to her;
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11	12. Any and all bank accounts in her name only; and
12	13. Any personal items currently in her possession.
13	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that the following community debts shall be set over
14	and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate debts:
15 16	1. The loan on the real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
10	2. The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of
18	\$20,000;
19	3. Any and all tax debts in his name only;
20	4. Any and all student loan debts in his name only;
21	5. Any and all credit card debt in his name only;
22	6. Any and all credit instruments in his name only.
23 24	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that the following community debts shall be set over
24 25	and hereby awarded to Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate debts:
26	1. The Chase credit account ending in the numbers 9416 with an approximate
27	current balance of \$3,860;
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I	2. The US Bank credit account ending in the numbers 9270 with an approximate
2	current balance of \$4,300;
3	3. Any and all student loan debts in her name only;
4	4. Any and all credit card debt in her name only;
5	5. Any and all credit instruments in her name only.
7	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that each party shall bear their own attorney's fees
8	and costs in this matter.
9	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name
10	to wit: Tessie Elma Almario.
11	IT IS SO STIPULATED.
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13	DATED this 2 day of Tarward 2020. DATED this 17th day of January, 2020.
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16	DANHELLEE DAWSON, ESQ. RODNEY WILKINSON
17	Nevada Bar No. 11792 Defendant in Proper Person Attorney for Plaintiff
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19	ORDER
20	UPON THE FOREGOING STIPULATION of the parties, and this appearing to be a
21	proper case therefor:
22	THAT the Court has complete jurisdiction in the premises, both as to the subject matter
23 24	thereof as well as the parties thereto;
25	THAT the Plaintiff now is, and has been, an actual bona fide resident of the County of
26	Clark, State of Nevada, and has been actually domiciled therein for more than six (6) weeks
27	immediately preceding the verification of the Complaint for Divorce in this action;
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1	THAT the parties were duly and legally married on March 22, 2008 in Burlington,
2	Colorado and have been since that time, and are at the present time, husband and wife.
3	THAT the Plaintiff believes that all of the allegations contained in her Complaint for
4	Divorce are true and that the Plaintiff is entitled to the relief sought subject to the terms as set
5 6	forth in this Decree of Divorce;
7	THAT the parties have waived Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, written Notice of
8	Entry of Judgment, and to move for a new Trial in said cause;
9	THAT there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage. No minor children
10	were adopted and Plaintiff is not now pregnant.
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12	NOW, THEREFORE, by reason of the law in such cases made and provided, and the
13	Court deeming this a proper case therefore,
14	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing
15 16	between Plaintiff and Defendant be, and the same are hereby wholly dissolved, and an absolute
10	Decree of Divorce is hereby granted to the Plaintiff and each of the parties hereto is hereby
18	restored to the status of a single, unmarried person.
19	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community property shall be set over
20	and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate property:
21	1. The Chevrolet Suburban VIN ending in 9469;
22	2. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;
23	3. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension plans or
24 25	otherwise in his name only not otherwise herein named;
26	4. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to him;
27	5. Any and all bank accounts in his name only not otherwise herein named; and
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1	6. <i>I</i>	any personal items currently in his possession.
2	I	T IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community property shall be set over
3	and here	by awarded to the Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate property:
4	1	. US Bank account ending in the numbers 8904 with a current approximate value of
6	\$	373;
7	2	. The real property located at 8382 Hollywood Hills Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada
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9	3	. The real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
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16		a. P & H 140 Ton crane, Model 9125-TC;
17		b. Manitowac 100 ton crane, Model 3900A, SN 39670;
18		c. Lima 90 ton crane, Model 990TC;
19		d. P & H 90 ton crane, Model 8115TC, SN 35419;
20		e. P & H 50 ton crane;
21		f. P & H 25 ton crane;
22		g. P & H 70 ton crane;
23 24		h. 2 bulldozers;
25		i. 1977 Kenworth VIN 055097SGL;
26		j. 1972 Peterbilt ID 41337P, FHP364802;
27		k. 1955 Mack VIN B705T1209;
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1	1. 1955 Kenworth VIN 64338;
2	m. 1959 Mack VIN B73S1370;
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5	o. 6000 Cherry Picker;
6	p. 100 ton press;
7	q. Lo Boy 35 ton Cozad Trailer # CC80062;
8	r. 1993 Western Star Boom Truck Serial No. 2WKPDCCHIPK931154;
9	s. 750 Holmes Wrecker Tow Truck;
10	t. Autocar Winch Truck;
11	u. Maritime Hydraulic Drilling Rig;
12	v. Any and all tools located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735.
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14	14. Any and all rights assigned to Rodney Wilkinson through the contract with Dan
15 16	Fontenot of Synergy Oil Field Services, LLC.
17	8. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;
18	9. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension
19	plans or otherwise in her name only;
20	10. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to her;
21	11. Any and all bank accounts in her name only; and
22	12. Any personal items currently in her possession.
23	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event that any property has been omitted from
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25	this Decree that would have been community property or otherwise jointly-held property under
26	applicable law as of the date hereof, the concealing or possessory Party will transfer or convey to
27	the other Party, at the other Party's election:
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(1) The full market value of the other Party's interest on the date of this Decree, plus statutory interest through and including the date of transfer or conveyance; or(2) The full market value of the other Party's interest at the time that Party discovers that

he has an interest in such property, plus statutory interest through and including the date of transfer or conveyance; or

(3) An amount of the omitted property equal to the other Party's interest herein, if it is reasonably susceptible to division.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except as otherwise specified herein, any and all 9 10 property acquired or income received by either party from and after the date of entry of this 11 Decree shall be the sole and separate property of that party, and each party respectively grants to 12 the other all such further acquisitions of property as the sole and separate property of the one so 13 acquiring the same. Each party shall have an immediate right to dispose of, or bequeath by Will, 14 his respective interest in and to any and all property belonging to him from and after the date 15 16 hereof, and such rights shall extend to all of the future acquisitions of property as well as to all 17 property set over to either of the parties hereto by this Decree. 18

19 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and
20 hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate debts:

1. The loan on the real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;

2. The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of \$20,000;

3. Any and all tax debts in his name only;

Any and all student loan debts in his name only;

- 5. Any and all credit card debt in his name only;
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1	6. Any and all credit instruments in his name only.	
2	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and	
	hereby awarded to Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate debts:	
4	1. The Chase credit account ending in the numbers 9416 with an approximate	
5	current balance of \$3,860;	
7	2. The US Bank credit account ending in the numbers 9270 with an approximate	
8	current balance of \$4,300;	
9	3. Any and all student loan debts in her name only;	
10	4. Any and all credit card debt in her name only;	
11	5. Any and all credit instruments in her name only.	
12 13	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any claim, action or proceeding is brought seeking	
14	to hold the other party liable on account of any debt, obligation, liability act or omission assumed	
15	by the other Party, such party will, at his or her sole expense, defend the other against any such	
16	claim or demand and that he or she will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party.	
17 18	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tessie Wilkinson shall receive the sum of \$3,000 pe	ſ
19	month from Rodney Wilkinson for the duration of her life as and for Spousal Support. Thi	s
20	amount shall be due on or before the 10 <sup>th</sup> day of each month.	
21	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any claim, action or proceeding is brought seeking	
22	to hold the other party liable on account of any debt, obligation, liability act or omission assumed	
23	by the other Party, such party will, at his sole expense, defend the other against any such claim or	
24	demand and that he will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party.	
25 26	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each Party shall execute any and all legal documents,	
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28	certificates of title, bills of sale, deeds or other evidence transfer necessary to effectuate this	
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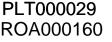
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Decree and the division of community assets within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Decree,
except as otherwise provided herein. Should either party fail to execute any of said documents to
transfer interest to the other, then this Decree shall constitute a full transfer of the interest of one
to the other, as herein provided. It is further agreed that pursuant to NRCP 70, the Clerk of the
Court shall be deemed to have hereby been appointed and empowered to sign, on behalf of the
non-signing party, any of the said documents of transfer which have not been executed by the
party otherwise responsible for such.

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that it is hereby mutually understood and agreed by and 10 between the parties hereto that this Decree of Divorce is deemed to be a final, conclusive and 11 integrated agreement between the parties, and that except as herein specified, each party hereto is 12 hereby released and absolved from any and all liabilities and obligations for the future and past 13 acts and duties of the other, and that each of the said parties hereby releases the other from any 14 and all liabilities, future accounts, alimony and support or otherwise, or debts or obligations of 15 16 any kind or character incurred by the other except as provided herein provided, it being 17 understood that his instrument is intended to settle finally and conclusively the rights of the 18 parties hereto in all respects arising out of their marital relationship except as provided herein. 19

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions in this Decree are fair and reasonable 20 and the parties agree to be bound by all its terms. The parties further acknowledge that they have 21 22 made an independent investigation into the existence and value of the assets and liabilities 23 divided hereunder, and the tax consequences, if any. The parties hereby waive any and all claims 24 against Danielle Dawson, Esq. of Steinberg Law Group related to the value and/or existence of 25 any asset divided hereunder or the tax consequences resulting therefrom. The parties further 26 acknowledge that they did not receive tax advice from Danielle Dawson, Esq. and have been 27 28



advised to seek the advice of a tax expert for any tax related questions they may have. The parties have further been advised to seek the advice of independent counsel regarding these terms.

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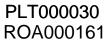
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4 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each party acknowledges that they have read this 5 Decree of Divorce and fully understand the contents and accept the same as equitable and just, 6 that the parties agree this Decree of Divorce has been reached via negotiation and in the spirit of 7 compromise, and that there has been no promise, agreement or understanding of either of the 8 9 parties to the other except as set forth herein, which have been relied upon by either as a matter 10 of inducement to enter into this agreement, and each party hereto has had the time and 11 opportunity to be advised by an attorney and has been encouraged to do so. The parties further 12 acknowledge that this stipulated Decree of Divorce is a global resolution of their case and that 13 each provision herein is made in consideration of all the terms in the Decree of Divorce as a 14 whole. The parties further acknowledge that they have entered into this stipulated Decree of 15 16 Divorce without undue influence or coercion, or misrepresentation, or for any other cause except 17 as stated herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should it be necessary for either Party to enforce the
 terms of this Decree, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover their attorneys' fees and
 costs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall submit the information required in NRS 125B.055, NRS 125.130 and NRS 125.230 on a separate form to the Court and the Welfare Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days from the date this Decree is filed. Such information shall be maintained by the Clerk in a confidential manner and not part of the public record. The parties shall update the information filed with the Court and the Welfare



Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days should any of that information 1 2 become inaccurate. 3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name to 4 wit: Tessie Elma Almario. 5 DATED this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of 2020. 6 7 8 COURY JUDGE Rhonda K. Forsberg 9 STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP 10 11 Res Wilha 12 **RODNEY WILKINSON** DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ. 13 613 Eagle Drive Apt 36 Nevada Bar No. 11792 Newtown, ND 58763 4270 S. Decatur Blvd., Suite B10 14 Defendant in Proper Person Las Vegas, Nevada 89103 15 Attorney for Defendant 16 17 18 **TESSIE WILKINSON** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 13

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VERIFICATION OF TESSIE WILKINSON 1 2 I, Tessie Wilkinson, being duly sworn under the penalties of perjury, depose and say: 3 I am the Plaintiff herein, and I have read the foregoing Stipulated Decree of Divorce and 4 know the contents thereof; that the same is true to the best of my own knowledge, except as to 5 those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them 6 7 to be true. 8 9 TÉSSIE WILKINSON 10 STATE OF NEVADA ) 11 ) ss. COUNTY OF CLARK ) 12 al day of Unuary, 2020. SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this \_ 13 Mouline Mod 14 15 Notary Public JACQUELINE MORA Notary Public-State of Nevada 16 APPT. NO. 10-2780-1 My Appt. Expires 06-15-2022 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 14

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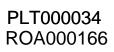
1	VERIFICATION OF RODNEY WILKINSON
2	I, Rodney Wilkinson, being duly sworn under the penalties of perjury, deposes and says:
<u>3</u> 4	I am the Defendant herein, and I have read the foregoing Stipulated Decree of Divorce
5	and know the contents thereof; that the same is true to the best of my own knowledge, except as
6	to those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe
7	them to be true.
8	I understand that the foregoing document has been prepared by Danielle Dawson, Esq., of
9	the Law Firm of Steinberg & Dawson Law Group, who represents the interests of the Plaintiff,
10 11	Tessie Wilkinson, in the within action, and does not represent my interests in this matter.
11	I have been informed of my right to retain my own counsel.
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# EXHIBIT "6"

	2 3	HOFLAND & TOMSHECK Bradley J. Hofland, Esq. Nevada Bar No. 6343 228 South 4 <sup>th</sup> Street, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 Telephone: (702) 895-6760 Facsimile: (702) 731-6910 <u>bradh@hoflandlaw.com</u> <i>Attorney for Defendant, Tessie Elma Alman</i> DISTRICT CLARK COUN	T COURT ITY, NEVADA
- Attorneys at Law First Floor 39101 X: (702) 731-6910	9	SHERYL ATTERBERG, ON BEHALF	CASE NO.: A-20-825785-C DEPT NO.: 14
	10	WILKINSON;	DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF
	11	Plaintiff,	MOTION AND MOTION TO
	12 13	vs.	DISMISS COMPLAINT PURSUANT TO NRCP 12(b)(1),
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ЮН	19	TO: PLAINTIFF SHERYL ATTERBERG, ON BEHALF OF HER WARD RODNEY WILKINSON AND YOUR ATTORNEY OF RECORD:	
	20	COMES NOW, Defendant, Tessie Elma Almario, and hereby submits this motion to Dismiss the Complaint pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5) and moves the Court for an order dismissing the complaint for failure to state a claim pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5) because, quite simply, there lacks a recognizable and sufficient legal basis	
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	24	to maintain an action in Nevada because Decree of Divorce predates the date of	
	25	appointment of guardianship in Colorado and the guardianship order was not	
	26	registered in Nevada.	
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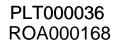
1	This motion is made and based on the following Memorandum of Points and
2	Authorities, the declarations and exhibits, attached hereto, the papers and pleadings
3	already on file herein, and any argument the Court may permit at the hearing of this
4	matter.
5	Dated this 28 <sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020
6 7	HOFLAND & TOMSHECK
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9	By: <u>/s/ Bradley J. Hofland</u>
	Bradley J. Hofland, Esq. State Bar of Nevada No. 6343
10	228 South 4th Street, First Floor
11	Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 (702) 895-6760
12	Attorneys for Defendant
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## TO ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Please take notice that Defendant, Tessie Elma Almario, by and through her
counsel, Bradley Hofland, Esq., of Hofland & Tomsheck, hereby move that the
Complaint be dismissed pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5), and towards that end hereby
submits her Motion to Dismiss the Complaint, which shall be brought on for
hearing on the date and time set by the court, before Department 14 of the aboveentitled Court, located at 200 Lewis Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.



## MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

## I.

## **Statement of Facts**

Rodney Wilkinson ("Mr. Wilkinson") and Defendant Tessie Elma Almario
("Tessie") were married on March 22, 2009 in Burlington, Colorado. (Complaint at
¶ 1). On September 9, 2019, Tessie filed a Complaint for Divorce in Clark County,
Nevada under Case No. D-19-596071-D<sup>1</sup> ("Divorce Action"). (Complaint at ¶ 6).
Notably, Mr. Wilkinson engaged in and committed "substantial community waste"<sup>2</sup>
throughout the last several years of marriage<sup>3</sup>.

Rodney filed his Answer to the Complaint for Divorce on January 28, 2020 10 and admitted to all of the allegations set forth in the Complaint<sup>4</sup>. The Stipulated 11 Decree of Divorce was entered on February 12, 20205. Plaintiff falsely alleges that 12 the Stipulated Decree "does not provide for an equitable distribution of the marital 13 estate"6, but conveniently omits that the Mr. Wilkinson "divested the community of 14 assets constituting substantial community waste"7, and conceals the fact the 15 Court/Decree repeatedly affirmed the division of community property was indeed 16 17 equitable and fair<sup>8</sup>.

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In short, the finding and fact there was an equitable distribution of the marital

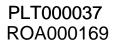
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20 || <sup>1</sup> A copy of the Complaint for Divorce in the Divorce Action is attached hereto as Exhibit "1".

<sup>21</sup> <sup>2</sup> Mr. Wilkinson admitted the marital waste he committed included transferring five
<sup>22</sup> years of earnings to Jill Strnad and or Tanika Stevenson; gifting Jill Straud community gold coins valued in excess of \$100,000, gifting a 2004 Corvette to
<sup>23</sup> Tanika Stevenson, and transferring his \$1,000,00 life insurance policy to Jill Strnad.

- <sup>3</sup> Decree of Divorce, page 1.
- 25  $\|^4$  A copy of the Answer in the Divorce Action is attached hereto as Exhibit "2".
- 26 <sup>5</sup>A copy of the Decree of Divorce in the Divorce Action is attached hereto as Exhibit "3"
- 27 6 Subject Complaint at ¶ 9.
- **28**  $||^7$  Decree of Divorce, p. 1, line 23 p. 2, line 6

See e.g. Decree, page 6, line 5; page 11, line 20; page 12, line 6



estate is the law of the case, binding upon the parties, and Plaintiff's representation otherwise is false and violates the duty of candor owed to this Court<sup>9</sup>.

Significantly, the Notice of Entry of the Decree of Divorce was filed on 3 February 13, 2020. Mr. Wilkinson did not seek reconsideration or move for any of 4 the relief that was available pursuant to NRCP 60(b). More than 10 months have 5 passed and the Decree is, and remains, valid and enforceable<sup>10</sup>. Because there was 6 no factual or legal basis in which to set aside the Decree, Plaintiff endeavors to 7 manipulate the legal system by filing a baseless independent action that completely 8 ignores the above, that conceals the dispositive facts that are fatal to Plaintiff's 9 action. The Stipulated Decree is an enforceable contract and the law of the case<sup>11</sup>--10 and while Plaintiff may choose to ignore this fact, this Court certainly cannot. 11

According to Plaintiff, on November 23, 2020, "a Court in Lincoln County, Colorado appointed Mrs. Atterberg Mr. Wilkinson's guardian due to the fact that Mr. Wilkinson was and is unable manage his finances or otherwise care for himself as a result of cognitive impairment" on November 23, 2020<sup>12</sup>. Notably, Plaintiff does not assert he is, or was, unable and/or lacked the capacity to enter into contractual relations.

Equally disturbing is that in the complaint, Plaintiff further alleges that

Tessie "exerted undue influence upon Mr. Wilkinson to procure his signature on the

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 $||^{12}$  Complaint at ¶ 17.

<sup>Plaintiff also misstates the Decree and his duty of candor with his claim that
"100% of Mr. Wilkinson's future earnings [were] awarded to [Defendant]
(Complaint at ¶ 9). Review of the Decree will confirm no such award was made, and significantly, as this Court knows, alimony awards are subject to modification
based upon changed circumstances—however, doing so would require Plaintiff to disclose his finances in their entirety and the fact Plaintiff has not sought such relief is telling.</sup> 

<sup>26 &</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Cavell v. Cavell, 90 Nev. 334, 526 P.2d 330 (1974).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See Grisham v. Grisham, 128 Nev. 679, 289 P.3d 230 (2012); see also Kramer v.

<sup>27</sup> Kramer, 96 Nev. 759, 616 P.2d 395 (1980) (holding "A decree of divorce cannot be

**<sup>28</sup>** modified or set aside except as provided by rule or statute").

Stipulated Decree of Divorce." (Complaint at ¶ 14). However, the allegation is
 false, unsupported, and Plaintiff fails to provide any independent, objective facts as
 to what and how there was purported "undue influence".

Comparison of Plaintiff 's complaint, coupled with a review of applicable
legal authority, confirms Plaintiff's Complaint is improper, without merit, and
cannot survive the instant motion to dismiss.

## II.

## Legal Analysis

## A. Standard of Review.

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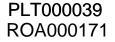
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N.R.C.P. 12 states in pertinent part:

- (b) Every defense, in law or fact, to a claim for relief in any pleading, whether a claim, counterclaim, crossclaim, or third-party claim, shall be asserted in the responsive pleading thereto if one is required, except that the following defenses may at the option of the pleader be made by motion:
- (5) Failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted, (6) failure to join a party under Rule 19. ... If, on a motion asserting the defense number (5) to dismiss for failure of the pleading to state a claim upon which relief can be granted, matters outside the pleading are presented to and not excluded by the court, the motion shall be treated as one for summary judgment and disposed of as provided in Rule 56, and all parties shall be given reasonable opportunity to present all material made pertinent to such a motion by Rule 56.

It has long been held a court must dismiss a cause of action for failure to state
a claim upon which relief can be granted. See NRCP 12(b)(5). A motion to dismiss
under Rule 12(b)(5) tests the complaint's sufficiency. See Morris v. Bank of
America Nevada, 110 Nev. 1274, 1276-77, 886 P.2d 454, 456 (1994) (stating that a
court must take the allegations stated in the complaint "at face value" when ruling
upon a NRCP 12(b)(5) motion); N. Star Int'l v. Ariz. Corp. Comm'n., 720 F.2d 578,



581 (9th Cir. 1983). All material allegations in the complaint, "even if doubtful in
 fact," are assumed to be true. *Id.* The court must assume the truth of all factual
 allegations and must "construe them in light most favorable to the nonmoving
 party." *Gompper v. VISX, Inc.*, 298 F.3d 893, 895 (9th Cir. 2002); *see also Walleri v. Fed. Home Loan Bank of Seattle*, 83 F.3d 1575, 1580 (9th Cir. 1996).

Courts have long and consistently held that when considering whether a 6 motion to dismiss should be granted, if a plaintiff is unable to "prove no set of facts, 7 if accepted by the trier of fact, would entitle him or her to relief", dismissal is 8 warranted and appropriate. Simpson v. Mars, Inc., 113 Nev. 188, 190, 929 P.2d 9 966, 967 (1997) (citing Vacation Village v. Hitachi America, 110 Nev. 481, 484, 10 874 P.2d 744, 746 (1994)). "The test for determining whether the allegations of a 11 cause of action are sufficient to assert a claim for relief is whether the allegations 12 give fair notice of the nature and basis of the claim and the relief requested." 13 Ravera v. City of Reno, 100 Nev. 68, 70; 675 P.2d 407, 408 (1984). While simple 14 conclusions of law can at times be acceptable under this rule, the plaintiff still must 15 prove enough information to give "fair notice of the nature and basis of the claim." 16 Crucil v. Carson City, 95 Nev 583, 585, 600 P.2d 216, 217 (1979). 17

However, as the Supreme Court has explained, "[w]hile a complaint attacked 18 by a Rule [12(b)(5)] motion to dismiss does not need detailed factual allegations, a 19 plaintiff's obligation to provide the 'grounds' of his 'entitlement to relief' requires 20 more than labels and conclusions, and a formulaic recitation of the elements of a 21 cause of action will not do." (emphasis supplied). Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombly, 127 22 S.Ct. 1955, 1964 (2007). Instead, the allegations in the complaint "must be enough 23 to raise a right to relief above the speculative level." Id. at 1964-65. A complaint 24 may be dismissed as a matter of law either for lack of a cognizable legal theory or 25 for insufficient facts under a cognizable theory. Robertson v. Dean Witter 26 Reynolds, Inc., 749 F.2d 530, 534 (9th Cir. 1984). 27

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Generally, courts may not consider material outside the complaint when

ruling on a motion to dismiss. Hal Roach Studios, Inc. v. Richard Feiner & Co., 1 896 F.2d 1542, 1555 n.19 (9th Cir. 1990). However, courts may consider 2 documents specifically identified in the complaint whose authenticity is not 3 questioned by parties. Fecht v. Price Co., 70 F.3d 1078, 1080 n.1 (9th Cir. 1995) 4 (superseded by statutes on other grounds). Moreover, courts may consider the full 5 text of those documents, even when the complaint quotes only selected portions. Id. 6 The court may also consider material properly subject to judicial notice without 7 converting the motion into one for summary judgment. Barron v. Reich, 13 F.3d 8 1370, 1377 (9th Cir. 1994). Lastly, a court is permitted to consider exhibits that are 9 attached to the pleading. Breliant v. Preferred Equities Corp., 109 Nev 842, 846, 10 858 P.2d 258, 1260 (1993). 11

Moreover, the law is clear that a complaint should be dismissed when it fails 12 to "state a claim upon which relief can be granted." NRCP 12(b)(5). Even the 13 most liberal reading of Plaintiff's complaint reveals a failure on its part to state a 14 claim for which relief can be granted. NRCP 8(a) provides, in pertinent part, that in 15 order to plead sufficiently the plaintiff must include, "(1) a short and plain 16 statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief, and (2) a 17 demand for judgment for the relief the pleader seeks." In his complaint, a plaintiff 18 must set forth "sufficient facts to establish all necessary elements of a claim for 19 relief." Hay v. Hay, 100 Nev 196, 198, 678 P.2d 672 (1984) quoting Johnson v. 20 Travelers, Ins. Co., 89 Nev 467, 472, 515 P.2d 68, 71 1973). 21

As noted above, and established herein, the Plaintiff's complaint is deficient and cannot survive the instant motion to dismiss.

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## **B.** The Premise of Plaintiff's Complaint establishes its lack of merit and is insufficient to stave off dismissal.

At the time Mr. Wilkinson signed *his* Answer to the Complaint and the
Decree of Divorce in January, 2020, there was no determination, by any court, that
Mr. Wilkinson was incompetent or lacked contractual capacity. Indeed, Mr.

Wilkinson regularly engaged in, and honored, contractual/financial transactions.
Following notice of entry of the Decree there was no motion for reconsideration, motion to set aside, appeal, or other challenge to the Decree. Thus, the Decree
remains valid, enforceable, and the law of the case<sup>13</sup>.

Nine months after Mr. Wilkinson signed the Decree, "a Court in Lincoln 5 County, Colorado appointed Mrs. Atterberg Mr. Wilkinson's guardian due to the 6 fact that Mr. Wilkinson was and is unable manage his finances or otherwise care for 7 himself as a result of cognitive impairment"<sup>14</sup>. It is well-established that upon and 8 following the appointment of a guardian that an individual placed under the care of 9 a guardianship, lacks contractual capacity. However, in the absence of judicial 10 declaration and appointment of a guardian, an individual not placed under the care 11 of a guardian does not lack contractual capacity and any such transactions prior to 12 the appointment of guardian are valid and binding. 13

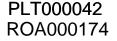
Further, Plaintiff alleges in his complaint that Mr. Wilkinson was legally 14 incapacitated within the meaning of NRS 132.175 at the time Defendant filed the 15 Complaint for Divorce referenced above (D-19-596071-D) and when he signed the 16 Stipulated Decree of Divorce on January 17, 202015. Of course, as noted above, 17 there was no such determination made, the facts, evidence, and court record, 18 disprove such claims, and the time to challenge the validity of the Decree has long 19 Thus, Plaintiff's claims are false and legally insufficient to support passed. 20 Plaintiff's ancillary attack of Defendant. 21

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## C. The guardianship order was not registered in Nevada.

Pursuant to NRS §159.2027, after a guardian has been appointed in another
state and or country is *registered* in Nevada pursuant to NRS §159.2025, the

- **26** || <sup>13</sup> See FN 11, supra.
- 27  $1^4$  Complaint at ¶ 17.
- $^{15}$  Complaint at ¶ 10-11.
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powers of the guardianship appointed in another state and or country becomes
effective in Nevada except as prohibited under the laws of Nevada.

Pursuant to NRS §159.2023, where a guardian of the estate of the
nonresident has not been appointed in Nevada, but the nonresident has a foreign
guardian, the nonresident may deliver the property and such delivery shall
constitute a release and discharge with respect to such property or debt.

Significantly, *no action was ever* filed by Mr. Wilkinson or anyone else on
his behalf to find Mr. Wilkinson *retroactively* incompetent from prior to Divorce
Action, nor at any other time, by a Nevada Court This deficiency is fatal to the
survival of Plaintiff's complaint. Therefore, as a matter of law, Mr. Wilkinson
possessed the contractual capacity to engage in and conclude the domestic action.

Under Nevada law, Mr. Wilkinson was legally competent on January 16, 2020 when he executed the Answer and on January 17, 2020 when he executed the Decree of Divorce because he had not been found incompetent or in need of a guardianship prior to or during the domestic proceedings. As noted above, the Stipulated Decree is valid. The Colorado Case didn't find Mr. Wilkinson in need of a guardian until November of 2020; the order, however, was not filed, nor registered in Nevada pursuant to NRS § 159.2025.

## D. Plaintiff's allegations for Cause of Actions for Elder Abuse and Constructive Fraud are Vague, Unintelligible, and insufficient to prevent the dismissal of the claims.

1. Elder Abuse.

In order to sustain a cause of action of Elder Abuse in Nevada, the Plaintiff
must prove culpability beyond mere negligence—he must demonstrate by clear and
convincing evidence that the defendant is guilty of recklessness, oppression, fraud,
or malice<sup>16</sup>. Recklessness refers "to a subjective state of culpability greater than
simple negligence, which has been described as a 'deliberate disregard' of the 'high

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See Delaney v. Baker, 971 P.2d 986 (1999).

degree of probability' that an injury will occur."17 Oppression, fraud and malice 1 "involve `intentional,' `willful,' or `conscious' wrongdoing of a `despicable' or 2 `injurious' nature."<sup>18</sup> 3 The elements for a claim of elder abuse, applicable to the instant complaint, 4 are<sup>19</sup>: 5 1. A person over the age of 60 years or is vulnerable as defined by NRS 6 41.1395 (physical or mental impairment); 2. Suffers a loss of money or property by reason of their exploitation by 7 another; 3. The defendant knows or has reason to know that the plaintiff is elderly or 8 vulnerable; 9 4. If the defendant acted with recklessness, oppression, fraud or malice, the plaintiff shall be entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs of the 10 suit. 11 Notably, these provisions do not apply to a person who caused injury, death or loss to a vulnerable person if he did not know or have reason to 12 know that the harmed person was a vulnerable person. 13 Review of these elements with the Plaintiff's allegations and irrefutable facts 14 of this case confirm Plaintiff (1) fails to adequately state a claim for elder abuse; (2) 15 is unable to prove such a cause of action, and (3) is unable to defeat Defendant's 16 motion to dismiss. 17 First, it has already been judicially determined that Mr. Wilkinson 18 effectuated "substantial community waste" for years<sup>20</sup>. As a result of such waste, 19 the division of the marital estate, of which Plaintiff complains, has been judicially 20 determined to be fair and equitable<sup>21</sup>. Being a valid Decree, Mr. Wilkinson is 21 22 23 <sup>17</sup> Ibid. <sup>18</sup> Ibid; see also Covenant Care, Inc. v. Superior Court Conduct, 86 P.3d 290 24 (2004) (holding conduct giving rise to the enhanced remedies available under the Elder Abuse Act is "essentially equivalent to conduct that would support recovery 25 of punitive damages 26 <sup>19</sup> See DeRuise v. Progressive Cas. Ins. Co. Inc., 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 92433. 27 <sup>20</sup> Decree, pages 1-2. <sup>21</sup> See e.g., Decree, page 6, line 5; page 11, line 20; page 12, line 6 28 -11-

judicially estopped from asserting a monetary loss due to exploitation, and the cause of action cannot be met as a matter of law. Dismissal of the cause of action is 2 warranted. 3

Additionally, while Plaintiff makes a general claim that Defendant "knew or 4 had reason to know that Mr. Wilkinson was vulnerable"22, the facts prove the 5 statement to be false and unsupportable. As detailed above, Mr. Wilkinson has 6 been competent and possessed with contractual capacity for more than 46 years.<sup>23</sup> 7 Mr. Wilkinson was not a vulnerable, incompetent, or in need of a guardian at any 8 time during his 46 plus years of adulthood, including during the time he chose to 9 marry, during the years he chose to commit substantial marital waste, and when he 10 prepared his Answer and stipulated to the Decree of Divorce. 11

In fact, it wasn't until November 23, 2020, when "a Court in Lincoln County, 12 Colorado" identified Mr. Wilkinson's cognitive impairment and determined that 13 from that time forward, Mr. Wilkinson was in need of a guardian. Significantly, 14 there was no hearing or determination that Mr. Wilkinson's "cognitive impairment" 15 was retroactively recognized or determined. As a result, Mr. Wilkinson was, as a 16 matter of law, competent, not vulnerable, and contractually capable-just like any 17 other adult who has not been judicially declared otherwise. 18

Accordingly, Plaintiff's allegation that Defendant knew Mr. Wilkinson was 19 "legally incapacitated" is false as a matter of law! The truth is, Mr. Wilkinson was 20 not legally incapacitated at the time of the dissolution proceedings and nobody-no 21 court-possessed such knowledge-because Mr. Wilkinson, as a matter of law, 22 was not! Therefore, no person knew or should have known that Mr. Wilkinson was 23

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Complaint at ¶ 22. 25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Until November of 2020, Mr. Wilkinson had never been found to have been 26 vulnerable, incompetent, or in need of a guardian; Mr. Wilkinson is now 65 years of age. Of course, until Mr. Wilkinson turned 18 years of age, he lacked contractual 27 capacity as a matter of law-the difference between that age and the Colorado 28 ruling is more than 46 years.

vulnerable, and Plaintiff certainly cannot establish that Defendant knew or should
 have known Mr. Wilkinson was vulnerable, and Plaintiff's motion for elder abuse
 cannot stand.

Lastly, notwithstanding the above fatal deficiencies, Plaintiff also claims 4 Defendant "acted with fraud, malice, oppression, and or conscious disregard". As 5 noted above, the law requires the Complaint to provide the Defendant "fair notice 6 of the nature and basis of the claim". However, Plaintiff's Complaint fails to do so. 7 Plaintiff's use of the disjunctive/alternative word "or" is legally insufficient to 8 apprise Defendant of what intent/state of mind she would need to know to 9 adequately defend at trial (assuming the cause of action was not so deficient and 10 went to trial). Which one(s) is it? 11

Of course, as this Court knows, fraud claims must meet a heightened 12 pleading standard under NRCP 9(b). Pleading fraud with sufficient/adequate 13 particularity requires "an account of the time, place, and specific content of the 14 false representations, as well as the identities of the parties to the 15 misrepresentations."24 Rule 9(b) requires "the circumstances constituting the 16 alleged fraud [to] be specific enough to give defendants notice of the particular 17 misconduct so that they can defend against the charge and not just deny that they 18 have done anything wrong."25 To survive a challenge based on Rule 9(b), a 19 complaint must allege the "who, what, when, where, and how" of the 20 misrepresentation<sup>26</sup>. The complaint must also explain why the representation 21 complained of was false<sup>27</sup>. 22

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<sup>25 24</sup> See Swartz v. KPMG, LLP, 476 F.3d 756, 764 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2007); see also Morris v.
26 Bank of Nev., 110 Nev. 1274, 886 P.2d 454, 456, n.1 (1994).

*Bank of Ivev.*, 110 Nev. 1274, 000 1724 104, 100, 110 (9th Cir. 2003) (internal
 *Vess v. CibaGeigy Corp. USA*, 317 F.3d 1097, 1106 (9th Cir. 2003) (internal
 citations and quotation marks omitted).

Further, under Nevada law, a claim for fraud (or fraudulent misrepresentation) requires a party to show each of the following elements: (1) a false representation; (2) knowledge or belief that the representation was false (or knowledge that the defendant had an insufficient basis for making the representation); (3) intent to induce the plaintiff to act or refrain from acting; (4) justifiable reliance upon the misrepresentation; and (5) damage resulting from such reliance<sup>28</sup>.

8 It is clear Plaintiff has failed to adequately plead fraud and the cause of 9 action must fail.

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2. Constructive Fraud.

While Plaintiff references fraud in the disjunctive when addressing the
untenable claim of elder abuse, this cause of action is specifically pled as
constructive fraud. Obviously, fraud is an essential element of the claim, yet the
particularity that is required with claims of fraud, set forth in detail above and
incorporated herein by reference, is absent.

To sustain a claim of constructive fraud in Nevada, Plaintiff must allege and
be able to prove:

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  1. The existence of a confidential relationship or some legal or equitable duty or fiduciary duty;
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  - 2. Breach of that duty in a way that the law declares fraudulent because of its tendency to deceive others or to violate a duty or confidence; and
- **21** 3. Causation and damages<sup>29</sup>.

In both claims where fraud is referenced, Plaintiff did not provide the specific facts as to what acts are to have been taken by Defendant to exerted undue influence upon Mr. Wilkinson in order to procure his signature on the Stipulated

27 ||<sup>29</sup> See Perry v. Jordan, 111 Nev. 943, 947, 900 P.2d 335, 337 – 338 (1995); Long v.
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Co., 114 Nev. 823, 963 P. 2d 465 (Nev. 1998).

<sup>26 28</sup> J.A. Jones Constr. Co. v. Lehrer McGovern Bovis, Inc., 89 P.3d 1009, 1017 (Nev. 2004); see also Barmettler v. Reno Air, Inc., 956 P.2d 1382, 1386 (Nev. 1998).

Decree of Divorce" in the Divorce Action. As shown *supra*, Mr. Wilkinson signed
 the answer and decree of divorce nine months before Mr. Wilkinson was appointed
 a guardian and when, for the first time in Mr. Wilkinson's life, he was determined
 to be in need of a guardian.

Moreover, Plaintiff miserably fails to provide the requisite detail pertaining
to the fraud, and in this claim, the necessary details on what duty was owed, and the
details of how the duty was ostensibly breached as required by law. The requisite
facts are missing. The facts of this case, confirm Mr. Wilkinson was not
incapacitated at the time he signed the divorce papers. Lastly, given the judicial
findings and order that the division of the marital estate was fair and reasonable,
Plaintiff cannot, as a matter of law, be able to show "causation and damages".

Accordingly, while Defendant is entitled to the necessary detail pertaining to
fraud, the fact Plaintiff cannot satisfy the third element obviates the need and calls
for the dismissal of the claim in its entirety.

3. Declaratory Relief.

The elements for an equitable claim of declaratory relief are:

17 || 1. A justifiable controversy exists between two or more parties;

18 2. Regarding their respective rights pursuant to a contract;

19 3. Such that the plaintiff asserts a claim of a legally protected right;

20 4. The issue is ripe for judicial determination; and

21 5. Plaintiff asks the court to determine the parties' relative rights under the

 $contract^{30}$ .

In support of Plaintiff's claim for declaratory relief, Plaintiff alleges the
following:

32. A justifiable controversy exists between Mr. Wilkinson and Ms. Almario. Regarding their respective rights pursuant to the February 12, 2020 Decree of Divorce, such that the plaintiff asserts a claim of a legally

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28 <sup>30</sup> See NRCP 57, NRS 30 et. seq.; Kress v. Corey, 65 Nev. 1, 189 P.2d 352 (1948); MB Am., Inc. v. Alaska Pac. Leasing Co., 132 Nev. 78, 367 P.3d 1286 (2016). protected right.

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33. The issue is ripe for judicial determination; and

34. Mr. Wilkinson asks the Court to rule that the Decree of Divorce is either void for lack of subject matter jurisdiction given that it signed by a legally incapacitated person or in the alternate determine that the Decree of Divorce was procured as a result of Ms. Almario's fraudulent and/or improper conduct.

Comparison of those allegations to the necessary elements for a claim of declaratory relief, coupled with application of the dispositive, irrefutable facts of this case, confirm that Plaintiff has failed, and is unable, to satisfy the elements necessary to prove a claim for declaratory relief.

10 First, there is no justifiable controversy. Plaintiff references the "Divorce 11 Decree", but the Decree actually reflects the *absence* of a justifiable controversy. 12 Any controversy that may have otherwise existed commenced with the filing of 13 Defendant's complaint for divorce. The justifiable controversy in that pleading was 14 resolved when Mr. Wilkinson filed his answer and stipulated to the Decree of 15 Divorce. Just the absence of a justifiable controversy mandates dismissal of this 16 action. It is also significant to note Plaintiff is not challenging or seeking the 17 return of the hundreds of thousands of dollars of marital waste that Mr. 18 Wilkinson accomplished through Jill Strnad and or Tanika Stevenson.

Second, because Mr. Wilkinson did not appeal or file for any NRCP 60(b)
post entry relief, the Decree of Divorce is no longer subject to challenge and is a
valid and enforceable Decree. Accordingly, the validity of the Decree is moot.
Failure to satisfy this element likewise warrants the dismissal of this claim for relief.

Continuing, Plaintiff's suggestion the Family Court lacked subject matter jurisdiction is simply misguided, untrue, and legally unsupportable<sup>31</sup>. Of course,

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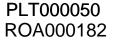
**<sup>28</sup>** <sup>31</sup> Indeed, Family Court was created and expressly vested with the authority to hear dissolution matters. *See* NRS 3.223.

Mr. Wilkinson did not lack contractual capacity when he signed his answer and the
stipulated Decree and no court has ever found him lacking such capacity<sup>32</sup>. In fact,
Plaintiff admits it wasn't until November 23, 2020—more than 9 months after the
entry of the Decree, that a Colorado court found "as a result of his (unquantified)
cognitive impairment" that he was appointed a guardian. If Mr. Wilkinson lacks
contractual capacity, that status did not exist until November 23, 2020.

7 Lastly, Plaintiff again gratuitously inserts unfounded, unspecific, and
8 undetailed allegations of fraud. Plaintiff's use of and/or is legally insufficient, but
9 any reliance on fraud must be sufficiently pled as detailed at length herein—
10 something Plaintiff fails to do.

Clearly, Plaintiff is unable to meet and sustain the burden to seek declaratory
relief. As established above, there are multiple reasons that mandate the cause of
action for declaratory relief be dismissed.

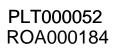
||| /// <sup>32</sup> As addressed herein, no court has ever found Mr. Wilkinson to be incapacitated, nor made any ruling of retroactive application.



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2	<u>Conclusion</u>	
3	Based on the foregoing pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5), Defendants respectfully	
4	request an order is entered dismissing the three causes of actions contained therein	
5	and the complaint in its entirety for failure to state a claim pursuant to NRCP	
6	12(b)(5) and because there lacks a recognizable and sufficient factual and legal	
7	basis to maintain an action in Nevada.	
8	Dated this 28 <sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020	
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10	TOTLAND & TOMSHECK	
11	HOFLAND & TOMSHECK By: <u>/s/ Bradley J. Hofland</u>	
12	Bradley J. Hofland, Esq. State Bar of Nevada No. 6343	
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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
2	I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of HOFLAND &
3	TOMSHECK, that pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2, NEFCR 9, and NRCP
4	5(b), on the 28 <sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020, I served the forgoing DEFENDANTS'
5	NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION TO DISMISS THE COMPLAINT
6	PURSUANT TO NRCP 12(b)(5) on the following parties by E-Service through
7	the Odyssey filing system and/or U.S. Mail addressed as follows:
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9	JAMES W. KWON, ESQ.
10	jkwon@jwklawfirm.com Attorney for Plaintiff
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12	BY: <u>/s/ Nikki Woulfe</u> An Employee of HOFLAND & TOMSHECK
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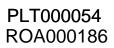
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	8	CLARK CO	DUNTY, NEVADA
	9	TESSIE E. WILKINSON,	)
	10	Plaintiff,	) CASE NO: ) DEPT NO:
	11	VS.	)
•	12	RODNEY WILKINSON,	•)
	13	Defendant.	<u>ا</u> ز
	14	COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE	
	15	COMES NOW the Plaintiff, TESS	SIE E. WILKINSON, by and through her legal
	16		he STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP and
	17	files her complaint against the Defendant, RC	DDNEY WILKINSON, and alleges as follows:
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	20	That Plaintiff has been physically p	resent and domiciled in, and an actual, bona fide
	21		f Clark for more than six (6) weeks immediately
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	23	preceding the commencement of this action.	
•	24		II.
	25	That Plaintiff and Defendant were	duly and legally married on March 22, 2008 in
	26	Burlington, Colorado and have been since t	hat time, and are at the present time, husband and
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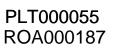
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1	III.
2	That there are no minor children born to the issue of this marriage. To the Plaintiff's
3	knowledge, she is not pregnant at this time and the parties have not adopted any minor children.
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5	That there are sole and separate properties of each of the parties to be confirmed as the
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7	sole and separate properties of each of the parties by the Court.
8	VIII.
9	That there is community property of the parties to be equitably divided and adjudicated
10 11	by the Court.
11	IX.
12	That there are community debts of the parties to be equitably divided and adjudicated by
14	the Court.
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16	That the Plaintiff be awarded spousal support/alimony from the Defendant.
17	XIII.
18	That Plaintiff has been compelled to obtain the services of an attorney to prosecute this
19 20	action, and is therefore entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
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22	XIV.
23	That Plaintiff and the Defendant are incompatible in their tastes, natures, views, likes and
24	dislikes, which have become widely separate and divergent so that the parties hereto have been,
25	and now are, incompatible to such an extent that it now appears that there is no possibility of
26	reconciliation between Plaintiff and Defendant, and that a happy marital status can no longer
27	exist.
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WHE 1. 2. 3.	<b>EREFORE, PLAINTIFF</b> prays for judgment of this Court which: Wholly dissolves the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between the parties and that the parties, and each of them, be restored to the status of single unmarried person;
1. 2.	Wholly dissolves the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between the parties and that the parties, and each of them, be restored to the status of single unmarried person;
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2	Confirms the sole and separate properties of each of the parties;
э.	Equitably divides the community property of the parties;
4.	Equitably divides the community debts of the parties;
5.	Orders the Defendant to pay the Plaintiff spousal support/alimony;
6.	Orders the Defendant to pay the Plaintiff's reasonable attorney's fees and he
	costs of Court; and
7	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in th
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	premises. TED this day of day of 2019.
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1	VERIFICATION
2	TESSIE E. WILKINSON, being first duly sworn upon her oath, deposes and states:
3	1. That I am over the age of 18 years and I am competent to testify as to the matters
4	contained in this Affidavit.
5	2. That I am the Plaintiff in the above-entitled action; that I have read the above and
6	foregoing Complaint for Divorce and know the contents thereof; the same is true of my own
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° 9	knowledge, except for those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to those
10	matters, I believe them to be true.
11	3. That I have lived in Nevada for at least six (6) weeks prior to the filing of the
12	Complaint for Divorce.
13	4. That I have read the Complaint for Divorce and can testify that all of the
14	allegations contained therein are true.
15	5. That the Défendant and I are incompatible in marriage.
16	6. That there is no possibility that the Defendant and I will reconcile.
17	DATED this day of September, 2019.
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20	TESSIE E. WILKINSON
21	STATE OF NEVADA )
22	) ss:
23	COUNTY OF CLARK ) SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this day of September, 2019.
24	SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this day of day of, 2019.
25	Jamara Eads
26.	NOTARY PUBLIC in the State of Nevada, County of Clark
27	TAMARA EADS NOTARY PUBLIC
28	4 STATE OF NEVADA CLARK COUNTY My Commission Expires: 02/26/23 Certificate No: 19-1682-1

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# EXHIBIT "2"

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### DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Tessie	E Wilkinson
	Plaintiff,
vs. Rodney	wilkinson
	Defendant.

CASE NO .: 0-19-596071-D DEPT NO .:

## ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

Defendant (vour name) Rodney E Wilkinson \_\_\_\_\_, respectfully states:

- 1. Defendant admits the following allegations: (write the paragraph numbers from the Complaint you agree with) <u>I, II, III, IX, V, VIII, IX, X, XIII,</u> XIV, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
- 2. Defendant denies the following allegations: (write the paragraph numbers from the Complaint you disagree with)

3. Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to admit or deny the following allegations: (write the paragraph numbers you are unsure about)

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Answer (Divorce)

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#### Defendant requests:

1. That the marriage existing between Plaintiff and Defendant be dissolved and that Defendant be granted an absolute Decree of Divorce and that each of the parties

be restored to the status of a single, unmarried person; and

2. For such other relief as the Court finds to be just and proper.

DATED this (day) 16th day of (month) January, 2020.

Submitted By: (your signature) + <u>Relax & Withham</u> (print your name) <u>Rodney & Wilkinson</u>

### VERIFICATION

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I am the Defendant in the above-entitled action; that I have read the foregoing Answer and know the contents thereof; that the pleading is true of my own knowledge, except for those matters therein contained stated upon information and belief, and that as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

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

DATED this (day) 16th day of (month) January, 2020. Submitted By: (your signature) > Rhy Wilh by (print your name) Podncy E Wilkinson

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# EXHIBIT "3"

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	8	DISTRICT COURT, FAMILY DIVISION CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA
	9	TESSIE WILKINSON, )
	10 11	Plaintiff, vs. ) CASE NO: D-19-596071-D DEPT NO: G
	12	RODNEY WILKINSON,
	13	Defendant.
	14	DECREE OF DIVORCE
	15	This cause coming before the Court on Request for Summary Disposition, the Plaintiff,
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	17	TESSIE WILKINSON, by and through her attorney, DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ., of
	18	STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP; and the Defendant, RODNEY WILKINSON,
	19	appearing in proper person.
	20	WHEREAS the parties have reached a full resolution to the outstanding issues in this
	21	matter.
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	24	1. Transferred community funds including five years of earnings to Jill Strnad and or
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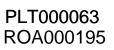
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	<ol> <li>Divested the community of gold coins valued at over \$100,000 by gifting them to Jill Strnad;</li> <li>Divested the community of a 2004 Corvette by gifting it to Tanika Stevenson;</li> <li>Transferred ownership of a \$1,000,000 life insurance policy on himself to Jill Strnad;</li> <li>Therefore,</li> <li>IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that the following community property shall be set</li> </ol>
9	over and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate property:
10	1. The Chevrolet Suburban VIN ending in 9469;
11 12	2. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;
13	3. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension
14	plans or otherwise in his name only not otherwise herein named;
15	4. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to him;
16	5. Any and all bank accounts in his name only not otherwise herein named; and
17	6. Any personal items currently in his possession.
18 19	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that the following community property shall be set
20	over and hereby awarded to the Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate property:
21	1. US Bank account ending in the numbers 8904 with a current approximate value of
22	\$373;
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25	89178;
26	3. The real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735;
27 28	4. The 2012 Chevrolet Corvette VIN ending in 0723;
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2 6. The 1977 Kenworth Winch Truck VIN 155197SG2;	
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4 a. P & H 140 Ton crane, Model 9125-TC;	
5 b. Manitowac 100 ton crane, Model 3900A, SN 39670;	
7 c. Lima 90 ton crane, Model 990TC;	
8 d. P & H 90 ton crane, Model 8115TC, SN 35419;	
9 e. P & H 50 ton crane;	
10 f. P & H 25 ton crane;	
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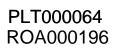
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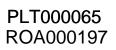


1	u. Maritime Hydraulic Drilling Rig;
2	v. Any and all tools located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735.
3	8. Any and all rights assigned to Rodney Wilkinson through the contract with Dan
4	Fontenot of Synergy Oil Field Services, LLC.
5	9. All personal property owned prior to the marriage;
7	10. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension
8	plans or otherwise in her name only;
9	11. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to her;
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11	13. Any personal items currently in her possession.
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13	and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate debts:
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17	2. The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of
18	\$20,000;
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20	4. Any and all student loan debts in his name only;
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22	6. Any and all credit instruments in his name only.
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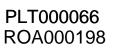
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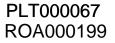
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1	2. The US Bank credit account ending in the numbers 9270 with an approximate		
2	current balance of \$4,300;		
3	3. Any and all student loan debts in her name only;		
4	4. Any and all credit card debt in her name only;		
5	5. Any and all credit instruments in her name only.		
7	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that each party shall bear their own attorney's fees		
8	and costs in this matter.		
9	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED that Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name		
10	to wit: Tessie Elma Almario.		
11	IT IS SO STIPULATED.		
12 13	DATED this 21 day of Januar 2020. DATED this 17th day of Jennary, 2020.		
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15	. The Revolution		
16	DANHELLE DAWSON, ESQ.RODNEY WILKINSONNevada Bar No. 11792Defendant in Proper Person		
17	Attorney for Plaintiff		
18	ORDER		
19 20	UPON THE FOREGOING STIPULATION of the parties, and this appearing to be a		
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22	proper case therefor:		
23	THAT the Court has complete jurisdiction in the premises, both as to the subject matter		
24	thereof as well as the parties thereto;		
25	THAT the Plaintiff now is, and has been, an actual bona fide resident of the County of		
26	Clark, State of Nevada, and has been actually domiciled therein for more than six (6) weeks		
27   28	immediately preceding the verification of the Complaint for Divorce in this action;		
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THAT the parties were duly and legally married on March 22, 2008 in Burlington, 1 Colorado and have been since that time, and are at the present time, husband and wife. 2 3 THAT the Plaintiff believes that all of the allegations contained in her Complaint for 4 Divorce are true and that the Plaintiff is entitled to the relief sought subject to the terms as set 5 forth in this Decree of Divorce; 6 THAT the parties have waived Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, written Notice of 7 8 Entry of Judgment, and to move for a new Trial in said cause; 9 THAT there are no minor children born the issue of this marriage. No minor children 10 were adopted and Plaintiff is not now pregnant. 11 NOW, THEREFORE, by reason of the law in such cases made and provided, and the 12 Court deeming this a proper case therefore, 13 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing 14 between Plaintiff and Defendant be, and the same are hereby wholly dissolved, and an absolute 15 16 Decree of Divorce is hereby granted to the Plaintiff and each of the parties hereto is hereby 17 restored to the status of a single, unmarried person. 18 IT IS FURTHER GRDERED that the following community property shall be set over 19 and hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate property: 20 21 1. The Chevrolet Suburban VIN ending in 9469; 22 2. All personal property owned prior to the marriage; 23 3. Any and all current and future retirement accounts, savings plans, IRA, pension plans or 24 otherwise in his name only not otherwise herein named; 25 4. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to him; 26 27 5. Any and all bank accounts in his name only not otherwise herein named; and 28 6



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13		6. The 1977 Kenworth Winch Truck VIN 155197SG2;				
14 15		7. The following heavy equipment:				
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23 24		h. 2 bulldozers;				
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26		j. 1972 Peterbilt ID 41337P, FHP364802;				
27		k. 1955 Mack VIN B705T1209;				
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1	1. 1955 Kenworth VIN 64338;
2	m. 1959 Mack VIN B73S1370;
3	n. 1962 Mack winch truck;
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6	p. 100 ton press;
7	q. Lo Boy 35 ton Cozad Trailer # CC80062;
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9	s. 750 Holmes Wrecker Tow Truck;
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20	10. Any and all wearing apparel, personal ornaments, and jewelry belonging to her;
21 22	11. Any and all bank accounts in her name only; and
23	12. Any personal items currently in her possession.
24	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event that any property has been omitted from
25	this Decree that would have been community property or otherwise jointly-held property under
26	applicable law as of the date hereof, the concealing or possessory Party will transfer or convey to
27	the other Party, at the other Party's election:
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(1) The full market value of the other Party's interest on the date of this Decree, plus 1 statutory interest through and including the date of transfer or conveyance; or 2 3 (2) The full market value of the other Party's interest at the time that Party discovers that 4 he has an interest in such property, plus statutory interest through and including the date 5 of transfer or conveyance; or 6 (3) An amount of the omitted property equal to the other Party's interest herein, if it is 7 8 reasonably susceptible to division. 9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except as otherwise specified herein, any and all 10 property acquired or income received by either party from and after the date of entry of this 11 Decree shall be the sole and separate property of that party, and each party respectively grants to 12 the other all such further acquisitions of property as the sole and separate property of the one so 13 acquiring the same. Each party shall have an immediate right to dispose of, or bequeath by Will, 14 his respective interest in and to any and all property belonging to him from and after the date 15 16 hereof, and such rights shall extend to all of the future acquisitions of property as well as to all 17 property set over to either of the parties hereto by this Decree. 18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and 19 hereby awarded to Rodney Wilkinson as his sole and separate debts: 20 The loan on the real property located at 5730 Road 10, Goodland, Kansas 67735; 21 1. 22 The loan through Dorman Renewable Fuels, LLC in the approximate amount of 2. 23 \$20,000; 24 Any and all tax debts in his name only; 3. 25 Any and all student loan debts in his name only; 26 4. 27 Any and all credit card debt in his name only; 5. 28 9

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1	6. Any and all credit instruments in his name only.		
2	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following community debts shall be set over and		
3	hereby awarded to Tessie Wilkinson as her sole and separate debts:		
4	1. The Chase credit account ending in the numbers 9416 with an approximate		
5	current balance of \$3,860;		
7	2. The US Bank credit account ending in the numbers 9270 with an approximate		
8	current balance of \$4,300;		
9	3. Any and all student loan debts in her name only;		
10	4. Any and all credit card debt in her name only;		
11 12	5. Any and all credit instruments in her name only.		
13	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any claim, action or proceeding is brought seeking		
14	to hold the other party liable on account of any debt, obligation, liability act or omission assumed		
15	by the other Party, such party will, at his or her sole expense, defend the other against any such		
16	claim or demand and that he or she will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party.		
17 18	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tessie Wilkinson shall receive the sum of \$3,000 per		
19	month from Rodney Wilkinson for the duration of her life as and for Spousal Support. This		
20	amount shall be due on or before the 10 <sup>th</sup> day of each month.		
21	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any claim, action or proceeding is brought seeking		
22	to hold the other party liable on account of any debt, obligation, liability act or omission assumed		
23 24	by the other Party, such party will, at his sole expense, defend the other against any such claim or		
25	demand and that he will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party.		
26	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each Party shall execute any and all legal documents,		
27	certificates of title, bills of sale, deeds or other evidence transfer necessary to effectuate this		
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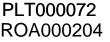
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Decree and the division of community assets within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Decree, except as otherwise provided herein. Should either party fail to execute any of said documents to transfer interest to the other, then this Decree shall constitute a full transfer of the interest of one to the other, as herein provided. It is further agreed that pursuant to NRCP 70, the Clerk of the Court shall be deemed to have hereby been appointed and empowered to sign, on behalf of the non-signing party, any of the said documents of transfer which have not been executed by the party otherwise responsible for such.

9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that it is hereby mutually understood and agreed by and 10 between the parties hereto that this Decree of Divorce is deemed to be a final, conclusive and 11 integrated agreement between the parties, and that except as herein specified, each party hereto is 12 hereby released and absolved from any and all liabilities and obligations for the future and past 13 acts and duties of the other, and that each of the said parties hereby releases the other from any 14 15 and all liabilities, future accounts, alimony and support or otherwise, or debts or obligations of 16 any kind or character incurred by the other except as provided herein provided, it being 17 understood that his instrument is intended to settle finally and conclusively the rights of the 18 parties hereto in all respects arising out of their marital relationship except as provided herein. 19

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions in this Decree are fair and reasonable 20 and the parties agree to be bound by all its terms. The parties further acknowledge that they have 21 22 made an independent investigation into the existence and value of the assets and liabilities 23 divided hereunder, and the tax consequences, if any. The parties hereby waive any and all claims 24 against Danielle Dawson, Esq. of Steinberg Law Group related to the value and/or existence of 25 any asset divided hereunder or the tax consequences resulting therefrom. The parties further 26 acknowledge that they did not receive tax advice from Danielle Dawson, Esq. and have been 27 28



advised to seek the advice of a tax expert for any tax related questions they may have. The parties have further been advised to seek the advice of independent counsel regarding these terms.

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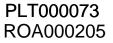
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each party acknowledges that they have read this 5 Decree of Divorce and fully understand the contents and accept the same as equitable and just, 6 that the parties agree this Decree of Divorce has been reached via negotiation and in the spirit of 7 compromise, and that there has been no promise, agreement or understanding of either of the 8 9 parties to the other except as set forth herein, which have been relied upon by either as a matter 10 of inducement to enter into this agreement, and each party hereto has had the time and 11 opportunity to be advised by an attorney and has been encouraged to do so. The parties further 12 acknowledge that this stipulated Decree of Divorce is a global resolution of their case and that 13 each provision herein is made in consideration of all the terms in the Decree of Divorce as a 14 whole. The parties further acknowledge that they have entered into this stipulated Decree of 15 16 Divorce without undue influence or coercion, or misrepresentation, or for any other cause except 17 as stated herein. 18

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should it be necessary for either Party to enforce the
 terms of this Decree, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover their attorneys' fees and
 costs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall submit the information required in
 NRS 125B.055, NRS 125.130 and NRS 125.230 on a separate form to the Court and the Welfare
 Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days from the date this Decree is
 filed. Such information shall be maintained by the Clerk in a confidential manner and not part of
 the public record. The parties shall update the information filed with the Court and the Welfare



Division of the Department of Human Resources within ten days should any of that information 1 2 become inaccurate. 3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tessie Wilkinson shall return to her maiden name to 4 wit: Tessie Elma Almario. 5 в DATED this <u>]</u> 2020. day of 6 7 8 DISTRICT COURT JUDGE 9 Rhonda K. Forsberg STEINBERG & DAWSON LAW GROUP 10 11 Ros Wilhun 12 **RODNEY WILKINSON** DANIELLE DAWSON, ESQ. 13 613 Eagle Drive Apt 36 Nevada Bar No. 11792 Newtown, ND 58763 4270 S. Decatur Blvd., Suite B10 14 Defendant in Proper Person Las Vegas, Nevada 89103 15 Attorney for Defendant 16 17 18 **FESSIE WILKINSON** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 13

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1 VERIFICATION OF TESSIE WILKINSON 2 I, Tessie Wilkinson, being duly sworn under the penalties of perjury, depose and say: 3 I am the Plaintiff berein, and I have read the foregoing Stipulated Decree of Divorce and 4 know the contents thereof; that the same is true to the best of my own knowledge, except as to 5 those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them 6 7 to be true. 8 9 TÉSSIE WILKINSON 10 STATE OF NEVADA ) 11 ) ss. COUNTY OF CLARK ) 12 day of ANUARY, 2020. 21 SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 13 14 Inqueline Mod 15 **v**Public JACQUELINE MORA otary Public-State of Nevada 16 APPT. NO. 10-2780-1 My Appt. Expires 06-15-2022 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 14 PLT000075

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1	VERIFICATION OF RODNEY WILKINSON				
2	I, Rodney Wilkinson, being duly sworn under the penalties of perjury, deposes and says:				
3	I am the Defendant herein, and I have read the foregoing Stipulated Decree of Divorce				
4	and know the contents thereof; that the same is true to the best of my own knowledge, except as				
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6	to those matters therein stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe				
7	them to be true.				
8	I understand that the foregoing document has been prepared by Danielle Dawson, Esq., of				
9 10	the Law Firm of Steinberg & Dawson Law Group, who represents the interests of the Plaintiff,				
11	Tessie Wilkinson, in the within action, and does not represent my interests in this matter.				
12	I have been informed of my right to retain my own counsel.				
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17	STATE OF <u>Next</u> ) ss.				
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19	SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before Me this day of <u>JUNUUY</u> , 2020.				
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24	State of North Dakota My commission axpires Aug 30, 2023				
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		<ul> <li>HOFLAND &amp; TOMSHECK Bradley J. Hofland, Esq.</li> <li>Nevada Bar No. 6343 228 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor</li> <li>Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 Telephone: (702) 895-6760</li> <li>Facsimile: (702) 731-6910</li> </ul>			
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		5 Attorney for Defendant, Tessie Elma Almario			
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	25 26		e lacks a recognizable and sufficient legal basis		
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1	This reply and opposition is made and based on the following Memorandum							
2	of Points and Authorities, the declarations and exhibits, attached hereto, the papers							
3	and pleadings already on file herein, and any argument the Court may permit at the							
4	hearing of this matter.							
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# **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES** I.

## Introduction

Make no mistake-Plaintiff's actions are not done for altruistic reasons. The 4 dispositive facts-deliberately concealed by Plaintiff, confirms Plaintiff is simply 5 selfish and opportunistic. Because the facts of this case and applicable precedent 6 lend no support to her claims, Plaintiff substitutes fact with fiction, misstates, 7 misapplies, and conceals applicable precedent, and egregiously violates the duty of 8 candor that is owed this Honorable Court. In short, Plaintiff shows deceit and 9 manipulation is acceptable when she will gain from such conduct. 10

Aside from Plaintiff's misguided belief that she is not bound by truth, 11 Plaintiff's actions and arguments also illuminates a disturbing belief that Plaintiff 12 can ignore Orders and controlling precedent. Lastly, the narrative that Plaintiff has 13 crafted is patently false, devoid of support and accuracy, and deliberately 14 misleading. Plaintiff shamelessly endeavors to manipulate this Court at all cost. 15 As a result, it is necessary to address Plaintiff's dishonesty, provide the vital facts 16 and corrections that Plaintiff has concealed, and reference the applicable precedent 17 that is fatal to the relief Plaintiff seeks from this Court. 18

II.

**Correction and Clarification** 

(to Sheryl's False Narrative)

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23 Plaintiff does not characterize the first three pages of the "opposition", but 24 even a cursory review of Plaintiff's ramblings confirms the absence of support, the 25 absence of accuracy, and more disturbing, the absence of validity. Indeed:

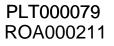
A. From the beginning, Plaintiff's dishonesty is manifest.

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• Plaintiff falsely states the Divorce Decree was rushed—it was not.

• Plaintiff grossly misstates Rodney Wilkinson's condition as "Dementia [so far advanced' -- the Colorado Court, however, described the nature and extent of Rodney's incapacity as:



1 "Ward is not capable of completely caring for himself. Due to his strokes and Traumatic brain Injuries he "forgets" simple tasks such 2 as how to use a microwave or other household appliances. Ward cannot always remember to feed himself or to visit his medical 3 doctors and take prescriptions on time." (emphasis supplied)<sup>1</sup>. 4 • Plaintiff is not being candid with the Court and the evidence disproves her representations. Significantly, Plaintiff has no support for her 5 claim. 6 • Plaintiff is the only party seeking to mislead the Court. • Plaintiff falsely and incorrectly characterizes the procurement of the 7 Decree. Plaintiff fails to disclose the fact that Rodney initiated, sought, 8 and pushed the Divorce-not Tessie-and there was no exploitation. 9 • Plaintiff falsely states Rodney lacked contractual capacity when the Decree was entered-notably, there is no evidence to support her 10 claim. Plaintiff's claim it was obtained by fraud is defamatory and contrary to the evidence. 11 There is absolutely no evidence that Rodney "lacked contractual 12 capacity before the Divorce case was even initiated" and Plaintiff's representations of what will be shown convenient, fanciful speculation, 13 and meaningless-Plaintiff is unable to show anything now to support 14 Plaintiff's claims. • Plaintiff grossly misstates the law. This action is improper, 15 impermissible and must be dismissed. 16 B. Plaintiff conceals dispositive facts—particularly those that are 17 crippling to her legal maneuvers, in her purported "introduction and statement of essential facts". 18 As a threshold matter, the professed guardian in this action is Rodney's 19 sister, Sheryl Atterberg ("Sheryl" or "guardian"). Sheryl fails to disclose to this 20 Court that the relationship between her and Rodney was estranged<sup>2</sup>, and had been 21 for decades. Coincidentally, Sheryl had no relationship with Rodney until 2020. 22 Rodney made this point clear as far back as 2007 (years before the parties were 23 24 25 <sup>1</sup> More importantly, the very medical records that Plaintiff provides the Court proves Plaintiff's dishonesty and shows that the onset of Rodney's dementia didn't 26 happen until many months after the parties divorced. (See Exhibit "1") Clearly, her 27 claim Rodney's dementia was "so far advanced" is untrue-and sanctionable. <sup>2</sup> Rodney disclosed to others his belief that Sheryl wanted to put him in a mental 28 facility—something he did not want and was fearful of it happening.

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even married), when he prepared "The Rodney E. Wilkinson Trust" and provides
 therein that "[u]nder no circumstances, is a distribution of income or principal to
 be made to either my brother, John Wilkinson or my sister, Sheryl Atterberg."<sup>3</sup>

While Sheryl professes to be Rodney's guardian, given the nature of the
relationship between she and Rodney, coupled with her documented lack of candor,
there is reason to believe Rodney was not properly served, which would render the
Order Appointing Guardian for Adult *void ab initio*. Because void judgments can
be attacked collaterally, the fact Sheryl does not validate the Colorado Order should
be addressed and validation required—if, in fact, Sheryl can do so.

Since Sheryl has had virtually *no* contact with her brother, Rodney, for
decades, she clearly has no knowledge of what Rodney did, of his capacities, of his
interests, of his activities, or anything else for that matter. Thus, her claims are
nothing more than speculation, that cannot be relied upon by this Court.

The evidence, however, confirms that Rodney and Tessie had a close,
profound, and caring relationship, long before they married. Rodney's intentions
towards Tessie were memorialized and made clear long *before* they married. In his
trust, he provided:

**18** The balance of the trust assets (after expenses), of whatsoever kind and whosesoever situated, shall be distrusted, as follows:

19 (a) To my friend and confidant Tessie Mae Brown, (address omitted);

(b) If the said Tessie Elma Brown shall fail to survive me, then all of the proceeds of the trust shall be distributed to Erica Sarai Bell (address omitted);

22 (c) If neither of the foregoing survive me, then I direct that all trust proceeds be distributed to Sheryl Atterberg, my sister.

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**28** <sup>3</sup> See Article II of The Rodney E. Wilkinson Trust, pages 1-2, submitted herewith as Exhibit "2" for the Court's convenience and review.

does not claim that caused his "Dementia"-nor does Sheryl provide proof such

Rodney prepared his trust in 2007. Rodney and Tessie were married in 2009.

Sheryl claims Rodney sustained a "Traumatic Brain Injury" in 2017-but

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diagnosis. Sheryl claims Rodney was suffering from Dementia before he filed his 1 Answer in the Divorce Case—but submits no evidence to support her claim. In 2 fact, the Colorado Order (Guardianship Order-if not void) wasn't signed until 3 almost a year later (and the medical records confirm the onset of Rodney's 4 dementia wasn't until May of 2020<sup>4</sup>. Thus, as a matter of law, at the time of the 5 parties' divorce, Rodney had the legal capacity to contract. In reality, Rodney 6 continued working, traveling, hauling loads, and negotiating with various parties up 7 to and after Rodney and Tessie divorced. 8

As for the divorce, *Rodney* is the one who had initiated it. Rodney disclosed 9 he no longer wanted to own or be responsible for anything—he simply wanted to 10 live at the farmhouse and work. Rodney had his reasons, followed up to ensure it 11 was being accomplished repeatedly, and the phone records confirm this fact. 12 During this process, the parties reached an agreement and Rodney was content, 13 stopping work only because of shoulder trouble. Sheryl's tale surrounding 14 Rodney's verification is pure fiction—intended only to unfairly prejudice this Court 15 and deflect from the facts that disprove Sheryl's claims. As noted above, Rodney 16 did not, in truth and as a matter of law, lack contractual capacity, and Sheryl's 17 allegation of fraud is self-serving and defamatory. 18

Sheryl has no idea what Tessie did or did not do, and her speculation is just
that—bearing no relation to the truth (which is why there is a conspicuous absence
of proof, support, or evidence to substantiate her defamatory claims). For example,
Sheryl maligns Tessie and claims she "absconded" with one million dollars in 2013
(while the parties were married). What Sheryl conceals from the Court is the
parties had just sold some real estate for 2.5 million dollars<sup>5</sup>. At Rodney's

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**28** <sup>5</sup> A copy of the settlement statement is submitted herewith as Exhibit "3" for the Court's convenience and review.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Such medical records, confirming the diagnosis of the onset of dementia wasn't made until May of 2020, long after the parties divorced, are submitted herewith as
<sup>27</sup> Exhibit "1" for the Court's convenience and review.

insistence, Rodney and Tessie placed 1million in her account and the balance in his
 account. Rodney also deposited the approximate 300k from the sale of the corn that
 had been harvested in his account. On top of that, Rodney placed the proceeds of
 the combines and related equipment that was sold in his account. Sheryl's
 characterization of "absconding" is absurd and patently false.

6 Continuing, the \$60,000 in gold coins Sheryl blames Tessie for taking is 7 incorrect in value and blame is misplaced. In reality, the value of the gold coins 8 was closer to \$100k and were given to a woman named Tanika Stevenson by 9 Rodney. During the parties' marriage, Rodney gave Ms. Stevenson considerable 10 amounts of money, took a 20k loan and gave her the proceeds, and Tessie has 11 cancelled checks substantiating this fact. Sheryl's confusion of the two women is 12 understandable given her absence in her brother's life.

Between 2014 and 2018, Rodney lived with a woman named Jill Strnad. 13 During this time, Rodney was still driving truck and gave her his income, with the 14 belief she would take care of the bills and expenses. Jill chose to write checks to 15 herself (again, Tessie has some of the cancelled checks), and neglected paying the 16 bills, property taxes, income taxes, and legal bills. In late 2018, Rodney contacted 17 Tessie, promised he was done with Jill and Tanika, hoping to reconcile their 18 relationship. During this time Rodney worked, had contractual capacity, and 19 showed no signs of "dementia". The truth is, during the marriage Rodney 20 committed considerable marital waste and admitted that fact on multiple occasions. 21

After the divorce the parties remained close and got along well. Tessie
visited him on numerous occasions, spoke to him often, and there is no truth the
Divorce was "rushed"; it was initiated by Rodney, discussed, considered, and
reflective of Rodney's intent (expressed long before the parties were even
married)<sup>6</sup>. Phone records will substantiate these facts, and Plaintiff's medical

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<sup>6</sup> See Exhibit "2".

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records confirm Tessie remained involved in Rodney's life and was concerned with
 his well-being.

In the Spring of 2020, Rodney's health began to decline and Tessie was
concerned (unlike Sheryl). Plaintiff concedes Tessie contacted social services, law
enforcement—as well as neighbors, and sending her son to check on him on
multiple occasions. Indeed, the very medical record that Sheryl submits shows that
in May of 2020 a diagnosis of the *onset* of dementia was made<sup>7</sup>.

8 Sheryl is desperate, and quick to state, that Rodney lacked contractual
9 capacity five months earlier when he negotiated and agreed to the terms of the
10 Divorce and verified his Answer. However, the Trust Rodney prepared 13 years
11 before the divorce, and prior to the parties' marriage, confirms the provisions of the
12 Decree are consistent with his intent.

As noted above, in May of 2020, the diagnosis of dementia noted it was at its *onset* (*the beginning*)<sup>8</sup>. The Court did not find him in need of a guardian (assuming the Order was properly obtained and isn't void). Sheryl is unable to provide any support for her claim Rodney lacked contractual incapacity at the time of divorce.

In sum, Sheryl wasn't even involved in Rodney's life until the latter part of
2020. Sheryl's narrative is patently false, defamatory, and self-serving. The
evidence shows she lacks credibility and the litigation that she has commenced is
improper, flawed, and inconsistent with established precedent.

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**25** || <sup>7</sup> See Exhibit "1".

<sup>26 &</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Sheryl argues dementia "is a slow-progressing disease that does not appear overnight", but conceals the fact that with dementia, contractual incapacity likewise does not occur overnight or accompany the initial diagnosis. While Guardian ship was established on November 23, 2020, Rodney's contractual incapacity wasn't determined.

#### III.

#### **Statement of Facts**

Rodney and Tessie married on March 22, 2009 and divorced at the
beginning of 2020. The Decree confirms Rodney's substantial marital waste,
represents their agreement, and found and confirmed by the Court as being
equitable and fair<sup>9</sup>.

7 Notice of Entry of the Decree of Divorce was filed on February 13, 2020. 8 Mr. Wilkinson did not seek reconsideration or move for any of the relief that was 9 available pursuant to NRCP 60(b). More than 10 months have passed and the Decree is, and remains, valid and enforceable<sup>10</sup>. Because there was no factual or 10 legal basis in which to set aside the Decree, Plaintiff endeavors to manipulate the 11 legal system by filing a baseless independent action that completely ignores the 12 13 above, that conceals the dispositive facts that are fatal to Plaintiff's action. The Stipulated Decree is an enforceable contract and the law of the case<sup>11</sup>--and while 14 Plaintiff may choose to ignore this fact, this Court certainly cannot. 15

According to Plaintiff, on November 23, 2020, "a Court in Lincoln County,
Colorado appointed Mrs. Atterberg Mr. Wilkinson's guardian due to the fact that
Mr. Wilkinson was and is unable manage his finances or otherwise care for himself
as a result of cognitive impairment"<sup>12</sup>. Review of the Colorado Court's Order,
however, confirms Sheryl's statement is false and deliberately misleading. In fact,
the Colorado Order expressly *excluded* guardian (Sheryl) from managing the day-

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**26**  $||^{10}$  See Cavell v. Cavell, 90 Nev. 334, 526 P.2d 330 (1974).

<sup>12</sup> Plaintiff's Complaint at ¶ 17.

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&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See e.g. Decree, page 6, line 5; page 11, line 20; page 12, line 6, submitted herewith as Exhibit "4" for the Court's convenience and review.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See Grisham v. Grisham, 128 Nev. 679, 289 P.3d 230 (2012); see also Kramer v.
Kramer, 96 Nev. 759, 616 P.2d 395 (1980) (holding "A decree of divorce cannot be modified or set aside except as provided by rule or statute").

to-day finances for Rodney<sup>13</sup> (Rodney's medical records likewise disprove Sheryl's
 representations). Notably, Plaintiff does not, and did not assert he is, or was,
 unable and/or lacked the capacity to enter into contractual relations.

#### Legal Analysis

IV.

#### A. Standard of Review.

N.R.C.P. 12(b) expressly provides the defenses of lack of subject-matter
jurisdiction and failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted by motion.
Plaintiff cites NRCP 12 as well, and thus, there is no challenge to the authority.
Defendant incorporates argument in the underlying motion by reference.

As clearly established, infra, Plaintiff is unable to "prove no set of facts, if 11 accepted by the trier of fact, would entitle him or her to relief", and dismissal is 12 warranted and appropriate<sup>14</sup>. Rodney had, as a matter of law, legal capacity to seek, 13 negotiate, and obtain a divorce. The Decree, as a matter of law, is valid, 14 enforceable, and binding-preventing Plaintiff from bringing the claims of "Elder 15 Abuse" and "Constructive Fraud" claims against Defendant. Lastly, this Court 16 lacks jurisdiction and ability to set aside or invalidate the Decree of Divorce entered 17 18 by Judge Forsberg.

Plaintiff's discussion of "summary judgment" is misplaced and inapposite.
Defendant is seeking the dismissal of Plaintiff's action/claims pursuant to NRCP
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<sup>23 &</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Colorado Order, page 2 of 3, paragraph 9, submitted herewith as Exhibit "5" for the Court's convenience and review. The Court also prevented Sheryl from obtaining hospital or institutional care and treatment for mental illness, developmental disability, alcoholism or substance abuse against the will of the ward. (Paragraph 13).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> || <sup>14</sup> Simpson v. Mars, Inc., 113 Nev. 188, 190, 929 P.2d 966, 967 (1997) (citing Vacation Village v. Hitachi America, 110 Nev. 481, 484, 874 P.2d 744, 746 (1994)).

1 jurisdiction. Nevertheless, NRCP 12(c) does allow the Court to render judgment on
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# **B.** The marital decree is valid, enforceable, and necessitates the dismissal of the complaint initiated by Plaintiff.

As a threshold matter, the Decree of Divorce is valid, enforceable, and precludes Plaintiff from seeking the relief sought in the civil action she commenced. There is no question Family Court had jurisdiction to render the Decree of Divorce, and neither party challenged its terms or validity. Accordingly, even if there was a sufficient basis to set aside the Decree (which there was not), the time for doing so has long lapsed.<sup>15</sup> In addition, if any challenge was made, it would have needed to be made before Department G of Family Court because, having jurisdiction, if there were any irregularities (which there were none), the Decree would be voidable, not void.

Indeed, "[i]f a judgment is deemed void, it is considered a legal nullity which
can be attacked collaterally<sup>16</sup>. It is significant to note that *only* a void judgment
may be attacked collaterally<sup>17</sup>. In *State Eng'r v. Sustacha*, the Nevada Supreme
Court confirmed that only void judgments are subject to collateral attack and ruled
that one district court could not set aside another district court's order <sup>18</sup>.

18 Citing Rohlfing v. District Court, 106 Nev. 902, 906, 803 P.2d 659, 662
19 (1990), the Sustacha Court affirmed "[t]he district courts of this state have equal and coextensive jurisdiction; therefore, the various district courts lack jurisdiction to review the acts of other district courts."<sup>19</sup>

A voidable judgment, on the other hand, is one rendered by a court having jurisdiction, and although seemingly valid, is irregular and erroneous<sup>20</sup>.

- 25  $||_{15}$  See NRCP 60(b).
- **26** || <sup>16</sup> In re Vance, 2009 Tex. App. LEXIS 9154.
  - <sup>17</sup> See State ex rel. Smith v. Sixth Judicial Dist. Court, 63 Nev. 249 (1946).
- 27 || <sup>18</sup> 108 Nev. 223, 826 P.2d 959 (1992).
- **28** 19 108 Nev. at 226.
  - ||<sup>20</sup> Black's law Dictionary (7 Ed. 1999) 848.

Conversely, if a judgment is deemed voidable, it will have the effect of a proper
 legal order unless its propriety is successfully challenged through a direct attack
 on the merits<sup>21</sup>.

In this case, the Decree of Divorce is a valid and enforceable Decree that 4 precludes the civil action before this Court. As a voidable Decree (at best), no 5 challenge was made and as a matter of law, remains binding until set aside. As 6 noted above, while a void judgment may be collaterally attacked, a voidable 7 judgment *cannot* be collaterally attacked and is subject only to direct attack<sup>22</sup>. As 8 this Court knows, a direct attack "is an action or motion for the specific and 9 primary purpose of setting aside or annulling the judgment."23 The Supreme Court 10 of Nevada has confirmed that a motion to vacate an order is a direct attack<sup>24</sup>. Of 11 course, NRCP 60(b) relief "must be made to the trial court that rendered the 12 judgment from which relief is sought."25 13

Because there was no challenge to the Decree of Divorce between Rodney and Tessie before Judge Forsberg, the Decree remains valid, enforceable, and binding. There has been a judicial determination and Order that the terms of the

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**26** 23 See Intermill v. Nash, 75 P.2d 157 (1938).

<sup>24</sup> Abel v. Lowry, 68 Nev. 284, 231 P.2d 191 (1951).

<sup>19 &</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> State ex rel. Newitt v. Fourth Judicial Dist. Court, 61 Nev. 164, 121 P.2d 442 (1942); Vaile v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 118 Nev. 262, 44 P.3d 506 (2002)
20 (court action "valid until it is set aside by a direct proceeding for that purpose");Orrway Motor Service, Inc. v. Illinois Commerce Com., 353 N.E.2d 253 (1976); Moore v. Moore, 75 Nev. 189, 336 P.2d 1073 (1959) (voidable Decree is valid until vacated and set aside (cited with approval on many occasions and [court] consider[ed] the rule well settled.); State ex rel. Newitt v. Fourth Judicial Dist. Court, 61 Nev. 164, 121 P.2d 442 (1942) (holding voidable judgment valid and subsisting unless set aside).
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<sup>27 [25]</sup> See supra,; see also State v. Montgomery, 2003 Ohio-App LEXIS 3652
28 (emphasis supplied); Wagenbrenner v. Wagenbrenner, 2011 Ohio App. LEXIS 2356; Cochenour v. Cochenour, 2014 Ohio App. LEXIS 3055; Vance, supra.

Divorce Decree are "fair and reasonable" and "equitable and just"<sup>26</sup>—making Sheryl's claim the Decree did "not provide for an equitable distribution" *false as a matter of law.* 

Accordingly, by Judicial Order (Decree of Divorce), Rodney did not sustain 4 a loss of money or property as required by NRS 41.1395 and relied upon by 5 Plaintiff. The absence of such element is fatal to Plaintiff's action, and without 6 such, the claims of Elder Abuse and Constructive Fraud are untenable, and must be 7 dismissed as a matter of law. Lastly, because this Court lacks the ability to review 8 and/or set aside the Decree of Divorce, again as a matter of law, Plaintiff cannot 9 bring, nor can this Court entertain, a claim for the Declaratory Relief sought by 10 Plaintiff. 11

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## C. Plaintiff's claim Rodney was legally incompetent and lacked contractual capacity at the time of his divorce is patently false.

13 Plaintiff admits she *doesn't* know what caused Rodney's dementia,<sup>27</sup> but 14 there is no question Rodney wasn't born with it and upon reaching the age of 15 maturity, obtained legal competence and contractual capacity, and exercised such 16 throughout his life. There was no judicial determination that Rodney was legally 17 incompetent or lacked contractual capacity, and a guardianship wasn't established 18 until long after he initiated and obtained a divorce from Tessie, and thus, as a matter 19 of law, he was both legally competent and capable of entering into contractual 20 relations at the time he negotiated the terms of the Decree and executed his Answer. 21 Further, the medical records that Plaintiff disclosed to the Court reveal the 22 onset of dementia began in May of 2020-again, after the Decree was obtained. 23 Despite Plaintiff's admissions, coupled with the evidence and applicable precedent, 24 Plaintiff's claim Rodney was legally incompetent and lacked contractual capacity is 25 disingenuous and untenable. 26

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28 <sup>26</sup> Decree, Exhibit "4", page 11, line 20, page 12, line 6. <sup>27</sup> Plaintiff's "Opposition", page 3 of 18, lines 25-26.

Plaintiff's reliance on Hale v. Hale<sup>28</sup>, is misplaced and the ruling actually 1 confirms the impropriety of Plaintiff's litigation before this Court and the 2 corresponding need to dismiss the action in its entirety. In Hale, the appellant 3 represented himself in the summary divorce proceedings and subsequently filed a 4 60(b) motion to set aside the decree based upon his dementia. Unlike this case, 5 Hale had been diagnosed with dementia *before* executing the agreement—the onset 6 of Rodney's dementia did not happen until after the divorce. Hale confirms that the 7 Decree of Divorce under such circumstances is voidable-and must be brought 8 before the Court that executed the Decree. Seeking such relief before this Court is 9 improper and disallowed by law. 10

It is also significant to note that in *Hale*, the Decree of Divorce was not set aside. *The only party that is acting in bad faith is Sheryl*. Sheryl cites authority that confirms her bringing suit before this Court is impermissible and improper, but she files the instant complaint anyway<sup>29</sup>. The Decree of Divorce is valid and must be accepted and followed. Because the decree is fair and equitable by judicial decree, the claims she raised are untenable and must be dismissed.

Moreover, Sheryl states under penalty of perjury, that she *doesn't know* when Rodney succame to dementia, and that it is a disease that progresses over the course of several years<sup>30</sup>. The evidence relied upon by Sheryl confirms Rodney's *initial* diagnosis of the "*onset*" of dementia was not made until months *after* the Decree<sup>31</sup>, guardianship was not obtained until six months after Rodney's initial

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<sup>31</sup> Exhibit "1"

**<sup>24</sup>**  $||^{28}$  130 Nev. 1184 (2014).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Plaintiff falsely represents Tessie's argument that "no court could ever void or correct a judgment obtained while a party was incapacitated". Tessie simply reiterates the law that a void judgment can be collaterally attacked, and a voidable decree—like in *Hale*, must be done in a timely manner directly (before the Court rendering the Decree).

diagnosis and onset of dementia<sup>32</sup>, and even then, Rodney's contractual capacity
 was not addressed and Sheryl was not ordered to manage Rodney's day to day
 finances<sup>33</sup>.

Continuing, Sheryl makes defamatory claims against Tessie, including she
exploited Rodney (which the Decree and Rodney's Trust he established in 2007
disprove), obtained a multimillion-dollar windfall (also disproved by the Decree
and Trust) and "hid" Rodney's "incapacity" (but Sheryl concedes and the evidence
confirms, Tessie is actually the one who helped and contacted multiple
others/agencies to monitor and assist Rodney.

Lastly, Sheryl is not "a friend of the Court", she engaged in forum shopping to find a court that would give her guardianship over her brother (being unsuccessful when first attempted in another court—casting concern over the validity of the instant order), and is ignoring and violating established and controlling precedent by filing an independent action before this Court and seeking relief that is unsustainable.

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## D. Plaintiff's Complaint did not properly plead each cause of action and, in fact, violates NRCP 11

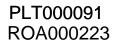
The above facts and precedent warrant and mandate the dismissal of the instant Complaint. Notwithstanding, Plaintiff incorrectly states her causes of action were properly pled; a lack of candor that merits correction and clarification.

First, Rodney was competent and capable when he sought the divorce from
Tessie and negotiated its terms, as a matter of law. *No Court* has ever found him to
be legally incompetent or lacking contractual capacity. The onset of dementia was
after the divorce—the guardianship was after the divorce—and the Decree remains
valid, enforceable and binding as a matter of law!

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Accordingly, by judicial determination, Rodney was not exploited and the

27 28 <sup>32</sup> Exhibit "5" <sup>33</sup> Id.



claim of Elder Abuse cannot stand, nor can the claim of "Constructive Fraud", for
 the same reasons. Lastly, this Court cannot set aside Judge Forsberg's Decree as a
 matter of law, and thus, Plaintiff's claim for declaratory relief cannot stand. Hence,
 Plaintiff cannot sustain her claims or justify the filing of the instant action and a
 complaint may be dismissed as a matter of law either for lack of a cognizable
 legal theory or for insufficient facts under a cognizable theory<sup>34</sup>.

#### <u>Elder Abuse.</u>

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8 In short, the elements for a claim of elder abuse, applicable to the instant
9 complaint, include<sup>35</sup>:

10 1. Suffers a loss of money or property by reason of their exploitation by another;

2. The defendant knows or has reason to know that the plaintiff is elderly or vulnerable;

3. If the defendant acted with recklessness, oppression, fraud or malice, the plaintiff shall be entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs of the suit.

The Decree of Divorce has adjudicated Rodney did *not* suffer the requisite
loss—thereby precluding the preservation of the claim of Elder Abuse—and
warranting its dismissal.

Of course, as this Court knows, fraud claims must meet a heightened pleading standard under NRCP 9(b). Pleading fraud with sufficient/adequate particularity requires "an account of the time, place, and specific content of the false representations, as well as the identities of the parties to the misrepresentations."<sup>36</sup> Rule 9(b) requires "the circumstances constituting the alleged fraud [to] be specific enough to give defendants notice of the particular misconduct so that they can defend against the charge and not just deny that they

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- <sup>34</sup> *Robertson v. Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.*, 749 F.2d 530, 534 (9th Cir. 1984).
- 27 || <sup>35</sup> See DeRuise v. Progressive Cas. Ins. Co. Inc., 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 92433.
- 28 <sup>36</sup> See Swartz v. KPMG, LLP, 476 F.3d 756, 764 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2007); see also Morris v. Bank of Nev., 110 Nev. 1274, 886 P.2d 454, 456, n.1 (1994).

have done anything wrong."<sup>37</sup> To survive a challenge based on Rule 9(b), a
complaint must allege the "who, what, when, where, and how" of the
misrepresentation<sup>38</sup>. The complaint must also explain why the representation
complained of was false<sup>39</sup>.

Constructive Fraud.

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6 While Plaintiff references fraud in the disjunctive when addressing the
7 untenable claim of elder abuse (which was insufficiently pled), this cause of action
8 is specifically pled as constructive fraud.

9 To sustain a claim of constructive fraud in Nevada, Plaintiff must allege and
10 be able to prove:

The existence of a confidential relationship or some legal or equitable duty or fiduciary duty;

2. Breach of that duty in a way that the law declares fraudulent because of its tendency to deceive others or to violate a duty or confidence; and

14  $\parallel$  3. Causation and damages<sup>40</sup>.

In both claims where fraud is referenced, Plaintiff did not provide the
specific facts as to what acts were to have been taken or statements made by
Defendant to exerted undue influence upon Rodney. Plaintiff miserably fails to
provide the requisite detail pertaining to the fraud, including disclosing the duty
that was owed, and the additional "who, what, when, where, and how" that must be
provided.<sup>41</sup>.

21 Declaratory Relief.

The elements for an equitable claim of declaratory relief are:

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- 24 <sup>37</sup> Vess v. CibaGeigy Corp. USA, 317 F.3d 1097, 1106 (9th Cir. 2003) (internal citations and quotation marks omitted).
- 25  $||_{38}$  Id.
- **26**  $||^{39}$  *Id.*
- <sup>40</sup> See Perry v. Jordan, 111 Nev. 943, 947, 900 P.2d 335, 337 338 (1995); Long v.
  <sup>27</sup> Towne, 98 Nev. 11, 13, 639 P.2d 528, 530 (1982); Exec. Mgmt. v. Ticor Title Ins.
  <sup>28</sup> Co., 114 Nev. 823, 963 P. 2d 465 (Nev. 1998).
  - 41 *Id*.

1. A justifiable controversy exists between two or more parties;

2. Regarding their respective rights pursuant to a contract;

3. Such that the plaintiff asserts a claim of a legally protected right;

4. The issue is ripe for judicial determination; and

5. Plaintiff asks the court to determine the parties' relative rights under the contract<sup>42</sup>.

7 This Court did not enter the Decree of Divorce and has no jurisdiction to
8 review and set it aside. There is no justifiable controversy, the parties' rights have
9 been adjudicated, and the Decree is valid and binding. This cause of action must be
10 dismissed.

Lastly, Plaintiff's request for leave to amend the Complaint to remedy the above noted deficiencies fatal to the stated causes of action is ill-judged and legally unsupportable. The Decree of Divorce has already made findings and adjudicated matters that render the claims of Elder Abuse and Constructive Fraud untenable, and this Court lacks the ability to set aside or render declaratory relief pertaining to the Decree of Divorce. No number of revisions of Plaintiff's complaint will enable her to stave off the dismissal of the instant Complaint.

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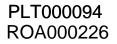
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#### **OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S "COUNTERMOTION"**

#### A. Legal Standard.

Initially, it must be remembered that Plaintiff's "opposition and
countermotion" was untimely and should not be considered pursuant to court rule.

Continuing, while Tessie agrees NRCP 60(b) is designed to redress any injustices that may have resulted because of excusable neglect or the wrongs of an opposing party, the facts of this case, including Orders of the Court (Decree), confirm there has been neither excusable neglect or wrongdoing by either party (other than the baseless litigation commenced by Plaintiff). Moreover, NRCP



 <sup>28
 42</sup> See NRCP 57, NRS 30 et. seq.; Kress v. Corey, 65 Nev. 1, 189 P.2d 352 (1948); MB Am., Inc. v. Alaska Pac. Leasing Co., 132 Nev. 78, 367 P.3d 1286 (2016).

60(b) does not contemplate, nor allow, litigation as initiated and maintained by 1 Plaintiff. 2

#### B. Plaintiff's claims of fraud upon the Court are inaccurate and contrary to established precedent.

4 With Plaintiff's arguments and positions espoused, Plaintiff apparently 5 confuses (or deliberately misstates) a void and a voidable Decree and what constitutes "fraud upon the court".

7 Plaintiff needlessly argues "fraud upon the court" and citing cases that have 8 no bearing or application to the subject motion. The Nevada Supreme Court, in 9 Occhiuto v. Occhiuto<sup>43</sup>, noted the meaning of "fraud on the court" is distinguishable 10 from "fraud" otherwise found in NRCP 60(b). Therein, quoting United States v. 11 International Telephone & Tel. Corp.<sup>44</sup>, the Court held:

Generally speaking, only the most egregious misconduct, such as bribery of a judge or members of a jury, or the fabrication of evidence by a party in which an attorney is implicated, will constitute a fraud on the court. See Hazel-Atlas Glass Co. v. Hartford-Empire Co., 322 U.S. 238, 64 S. Ct. 997, 88 L. Ed. 1250 (1944); Root Refin. Co. v. Universal Oil Products, 169 F.2d 514 (3d Cir. 1948); 7 J. W. Moore, Federal Practice, para. 60.33 at 510-11. Less egregious misconduct, such as nondisclosure to the court of facts allegedly pertinent to the matter before it will not ordinarily rise to the level of fraud on the court. See Kupferman v. Consolidated Research & Mfg. Co., 459 F.2d 1072 (2d Cir. 1972); see also England v. Doyle, 281 F.2d 304. 310 (9th Cir. 1960).

20 The Court further noted:

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"[I]n order to set aside a judgment or order because of fraud upon the court under Rule 60(b). . . it is necessary to show an unconscionable plan or scheme which is designed to improperly influence the court in its decision." England v. Doyle, supra, 281 F.2d at 309. See also United States v. Standard Oil Co. of California, 73 F.R.D. 612, 615 (N.D.Cal. 1977).

27 <sup>43</sup> 97 Nev. 143, 625 P.2d 568 (1981).

<sup>44</sup> 349 F. Supp. 22, 29 (D. Conn. 1972), aff'd without opinion, 410 U.S. 919, 28 (1973).

As noted in NC-DSH, Inc. v. Garner<sup>45</sup>, "fraud upon the court" does not mean 1 any conduct of a party or lawyer of which the court disapproves and thus defined 2 "fraud upon the court" as embracing: 3 only that species of fraud which does, or attempts to, subvert the 4 integrity of the court itself, or is a fraud perpetrated by officers of the court so that the judicial machinery cannot perform in the usual 5 manner its impartial task of adjudging cases ... and relief should be 6 denied in the absence of such conduct. 7 NC-DSH recognized fraudulent conduct of an attorney/officer of the Court, 8 and distinguished "fraud 'by an opposing party" from that by an attorney. Indeed: 9 'Fraud upon the court' ... embrace[s] only that species of fraud which does or attempts to, defile the court itself, or is a fraud perpetrated by 10 officers of the court so that the judicial machinery can not perform in 11 the usual manner its impartial task of adjudging cases that are presented for adjudication.<sup>46</sup>(emphasis provided) 12 While it has been established that Tessie engaged in no fraudulent conduct, 13 nor committed any fraud, assuming arguendo such, it could not constitute fraud 14 upon the court. Rodney initiated the divorce, Rodney instructed Tessie to begin the 15 process and Rodney monitored the status and actively negotiated its terms. As a 16 matter of law, Rodney was not incapacitated nor lacked contractual capacity. 17 In conclusion, Sheryl's speculation, misrepresentations, baseless conclusions, 18 and most importantly, controlling legal authority, lend no support to her position 19 and render her "countermotion" baseless. 20 C. Plaintiff's claim the Decree of Divorce is Void ab initio is a gross 21 misstatement of law. 22 Plaintiff confuses void judgments with voidable ones. Obviously, a 23 judgment obtained through insufficient service of process is void<sup>47</sup>, but this case 24 25 <sup>45</sup> 125 Nev. 647, 218 P.3d 853 (2009) (dealing with fraud committed by a lawyer who is an officer of the court-noting attorney involvement is "a signal 26 characteristic of many of the fraud on the court cases). 27 <sup>46</sup> Jones v. Wainwright, 2008 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 1111585 (U.S. Dist. Ct. 9<sup>th</sup> Cir) <sup>47</sup> See e.g., C.H.A. Venture v. G. C. Wallace Consulting, 106 Nev. 381, 794 P.2d 28 707 (1990) (judgment reversed because service was not properly effectuated and -20-

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does not involve insufficient service of process, and thus Plaintiff's reference to
NRCP 60(b)(4) is misplaced and has *no* bearing on this case. Moreover, there is no
question Judge Forsberg had jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter
jurisdiction, therefore rendering the Decree voidable (*see* Section IV (C), *supra*).
Accordingly, any discussion Plaintiff's makes pertaining to "void" judgments is
misplaced and irrelevant.

Family Court clearly has jurisdiction/subject matter jurisdiction to render
Decrees of Divorce<sup>48</sup>. With personal jurisdiction of the parties thereto, any Decree
is merely voidable—and not void. Voidable Decrees cannot be attacked
collaterally—and can only be set aside through a direct challenge. In this case, no
such challenge was ever made, and the law is also absolute with its ruling that
voidable decrees, judgments, and orders are valid and enforceable, and remain so,
unless and until set aside or reversed.

Of course, in this case, there was no challenge, no appeal, and the Decree is
not only binding, it renders Plaintiff's litigation improper and unsustainable.
Plaintiff's causes of action fail to state a claim upon which relief can be granted,
Plaintiff's complaint lacks merit and is frivolous, and must be dismissed in their/its
entirety.

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#### **Conclusion**

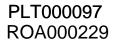
Based on the foregoing pursuant Defendant respectfully request an order is
entered dismissing the three causes of actions contained therein and the complaint
in its entirety for failure to state a claim pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5) and because

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thus, jurisdiction did not attach); Foster v. Lewis, 78 Nev. 330, 372 P.2d 679 (1962)
(a judgment based on a void order of publication is void); Doyle v. Jorgensen, 82
Nev. 196, 414 P.2d 707 (1966) (a judgment not supported by proper service is void).
<sup>48</sup> See NRS 3.223



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1	DECLARATION OF TESSIE ELMA ALMARIO		
2	I, Tessie Elma Almario, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of		
3	the State of Nevada that the following is true and correct.		
4	1. That I am the Defendant in this action and am competent to testify as to		
5	the matters stated herein.		
6	2. I have read the foregoing Reply and Opposition, and the factual averments		
7	it contains are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, except as to those		
8	matters based on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to		
9	be true. Those factual averments contained in the referenced filing are incorporated		
10	here as if set forth in full.		
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2	TOMSHECK, that pursuant to Administrative Order 14-2, NEFCR 9, and NRCP
3	5(b), on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021, I served the forgoing <b>REPLY TO</b>
4	PLAINTIFF'S OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISMISS
5	COMPLAINT PURSUANT TO NRCP 12(b)(1), NRCP 12(b)(5), and NRCP
6	12(h)(2); AND DEFENDANT'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S
7	COUNTERMOTION FOR RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRCP 60 on the
8	following parties by E-Service through the Odyssey filing system and/or U.S. Mail
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	21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	To be clear, we are not talking about a difference of years or decades, between rushed entry of a Divorce Decree and a medical determination that Plaintiff Rod Wilkinson's ("Rodney") <sup>1</sup> Dementia was so far advanced that he not only was built incapable of caring for himself and thus requiring a permanent guardian, but a matter months. A Colorado Court determined that Rodney's 2017 Traumatic Brain Injury			
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PLT000101 ROA000234 Dementia required the appointment of a permanent guardianship.

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Defendant Tessie Elma Almario's ("Tessie") Motion to Dismiss is nothing more 2 3 than a continued attempt to mislead this Court.

First, Tessie improperly relies on the parties' Divorce, which Tessie secured by 4 exploiting Rodney's inability to think and be cognizant. Frankly, Tessie's reliance on the Decree of Divorce and the Answer in the parties' family law case, which she had prepared 6 and had Rodney sign in proper person, while he lacked contractual capacity, and without the benefit of counsel, is pure misdirection. Tessie cannot rely on legal documents she obtained by fraud.

Rodney will show through discovery and a subsequent trial that he lacked (a) he lacked contractual capacity before the Divorce case was even initiated, (b) he lacked contractual capacity when the Divorce Decree was signed, and (c) Tessie knew he lacked such capacity.

The Decree prepared by Tessie and adopted by the Court provides that she gets everything, and Rodney gets nothing. That fact alone should shock the conscious of this Court.

Sec 17 Second, there is no basis for Tessie's to rely on federal court precedent as this **E**18 matter raises issues of State Law in State Court. And in Nevada, after taking every allegation as true and making all reasonable inferences in Rodney's favor, this Court only 19 may dismiss a case if it appears "beyond a doubt" Rodney can prove no set of facts that 20 would entitle him to relief. A rigorous standard that Tessie cannot even come close to 21 22 meeting.

Tessie's next argues that Rodney failed to register the Colorado Guardianship in 23 Nevada-so what. Tessie does not dispute that a Court of Competent Jurisdiction 24 determined that Mrs. Atterberg proved by clear and convincing evidence that Rodney's 25 2017 Traumatic Brain Injury and Dementia required the appointment of a permanent 26 guardianship. Nor does she claim that Rodney or his guardians reside in Nevada, own 27 property in Nevada, or otherwise conduct business in the State of Nevada. And Tessie 28

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makes no such claim, given they do not live here, nor do they own property here, or 1 conduct any business in the State. Therefore, they should be treated simply as friends of 2 this Court, and thus there was no need to register any Foreign Judgment. 3

It should be noted that Rodney has filed the Foreign Judgment (Guardianship) in 4 5 Case No. G-21-054224-A.

6 Last, Tessie again bases her entire position on the language in the Answer and Divorce Decree, both of which she had drafted, and had executed while Rodney lacked 7 contractual capacity, attempts to argue that Rodney has failed to state a claim for which 8 relief can be granted. Tessie cannot rely on her own fraud which kept Rodney from the courthouse doors.

Common sense dictates that a false statement of fact obtained via fraud cannot later 11 ลี 12 be used to establish an irrefutable fact.

However, if a civil action was not the proper vehicle to address the issues raised in this matter, which Rodney disputes. See Bonnell v. Lawrence, 128 Nev. 394, 398, 282 P.3d 712, 714 (2012) (Relief under Rule 60(b) can be sought by either (1) a motion in the same case where the final order or judgment is entered; or (2) by filing an independent action). Then this Court should transfer this matter to the Family Court to address Rodney's Countermotion for relief under NRCP 60(b).

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#### MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

#### INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF ESSENTIAL FACTS I.

The parties wed on March 22, 2009, in Burlington, Colorado. 1.

In February 2013, the parties separated, and Tessie moved to Las Vegas, 2.22 Nevada, where she remained. 23

In 2017, two years before Tessie filed for Divorce, Rodney sustained a 24 3. Traumatic Brain Injury.<sup>2</sup> Whether Rodney's Traumatic Brain Injury caused his Dementia 25 is unknown, and that will be an issue for expert witnesses to determine. 26

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<sup>2</sup> See Exhibit 1 (Professional Opinion of Kathy Dyer, LPN) submitted under seal.

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On September 9, 2019, after being separated from Rodney for over six years, 4. Tessie filed for Divorce.<sup>3</sup>

On January 17, 2020, before he filed his answer in the Divorce Case, 3 5. Rodney, who was suffering from Dementia, was forced into signing the Decree of Divorce 4 by Tessie, who flew out to North Dakota to get him to sign said Decree of Divorce. 5

Bethany Hann, the Notary who stamped Rodney's Verification, specifically 6 6. recalls that Rodney did not speak, that he did not seem to know what was going on, and 7 that Tessie was in complete control on January 17, 2020 when Rodney signed his 8 9 Verification.

Ms. Hann was so concerned that before stamping the Verification, she spoke 7. 10 to her supervisor, who advised her Ms. Hann could stamp the Verification since all she 11 ຊື່ 12 was attesting that the fact that Rodney was signing the Verification. <sup>2</sup>5<sup>1</sup>5 13

Nine days later, Rodney, proceeding in proper person, filed his answer, a 8. document prepared by Tessie.<sup>4</sup>

On February 12, 2020, the Court filed the Stipulated Decree of Divorce. 9.

7EGAS, 1 15-1200 15-1200 Upon information and belief, Tessie's counsel Danielle Dawson, Esq., never 10. once met with or otherwise spoke to Rodney during the parties' Divorce proceedings.

Upon information and belief, Tessie instructed her counsel to include the **E**18 11. language in the Stipulated Decree to justify her award of millions and dollars, and nothing 19 20 to Rodney.

Tessie committed fraud when she knew full well that Rodney was suffering 21 12. from severe mental deficiencies and was incompetent. 22

Upon information and belief, Tessie hid that fact from her counsel, Danielle 23 13. Dawson, to secure an award of millions of dollars and nothing to Rodney. 24

Tessie intentionally concealed that Rodney was suffering from severe mental 25 14. deficiencies and was otherwise lacked contractual capacity from the Court not only when 26

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28 <sup>3</sup> See Case No. D-19-596071-D. <sup>4</sup> See Case No. D-19-596071-D.

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she filed for Divorce but when she obtained a Decree of Divorce.

Tessie used this knowledge to commit a fraud upon the Court and obtain an 15. unequal distribution of the marital estate.

When she moved to Las Vegas, Nevada, in February 2013, Tessie absconded 4 16. with one million dollars from Rodney's bank account.

Tessie also stole more than \$60,000.00 in gold coins, which Rodney 6 17. 7 purchased with his inheritance money.

During the parties' marriage, it was Tessie, not Rodney, who engaged in 8 18. 9 marital waste.

If Rodney made poor financial decisions that devalued the marital estate, 10 19. such decisions resulted directly from his Traumatic Brain Injury, Dementia, and cognitive 11 ຊື່ 12 decline.

-515 13 On or about May 4, 2020, less than three months after the Court entered the 20.Decree of Divorce, Rodney was formally diagnosed with Dementia.<sup>5</sup>

On May 18, 2020, Tessie herself informed the medical personnel treating 21.Rodney:6 **⊴** 16

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That Rodney lived alone;

**E**18 That Rodney had refused in-home health care services and would not accept help from anyone; 19

That Tessie had called social services and police to conduct welfare checks 20 21 on Rodney;

That Rodney was not taking care of himself and failing to properly eat and 22 23 drink.

On November 23, 2020, the Colorado Court appointed Mr. Stevenn, and Mrs. 24 22.Sheryl Atterberg, Rodney's sister and brother-in-law, his permanent guardians.  $\mathbf{25}$ 

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Dementia is a slow-progressing disease and does not appear overnight. 23.

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<sup>5</sup> See Exhibit 2 (Medical Records for Rodney Dated 05/18/2020) submitted under seal. <sup>6</sup> See Exhibit 2 (Medical Records for Rodney Dated 05/18/2020) submitted under seal.

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#### LEGAL STANDARD FOR THE OPPOSITION II. 1. MOTION TO DISMISS

3 For a defendant to prevail on a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim, they must show beyond a doubt that Plaintiff is entitled to no relief under any set of facts that 4 could be proved in support of the claim. See Buzz Stew, L.L.C. v. City of N. Las Vegas, 124 5 Nev. 224, 228 (2008); Stockmeier v. Nev. Dep't of Corr. Psych. Review Panel, 124 Nev. 6 313, 316, 183 P.3d 133, 135 (2008); Pankopf v. Peterson, 124 Nev. 43, 175 P.3d 910, 7 8 912 (2008) (emphasis added).

9 When ruling on an NRCP 12(b)(5) motion, a court must accept the allegations as true and draw all inferences in favor of the nonmoving party. See Buzz Stew, L.L.C. v. City of N. Las Vegas, 181 P.3d 670, 672 (Nev. 2008); Seput v. Lacayo, 122 Nev. 499, 501, 134 P.3d 733, 734 (2006) (abrogated on other grounds) Stockmeier, 124 Nev. At 316, 183 P.3d at 135; Snyder v. Viani, 110 Nev. 1339, 885 P.2d 610 (1994); Haertel v. Sonshine Carpet Co., 102 Nev. 614, 730 P.2d 428 (1986).

> DEFENDANT'S MOTION IS IN ACTUALITY A MOTION FOR a. SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND CANNOT BE GRANTED.

SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD, SUITE 100 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89146 ...(702) 515-1200 - FAX: (702) 515-1201 **1 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 1** When matters outside the actual pleadings are considered, a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim converts to a motion for summary judgment under NRCP 56. NRCP 12(d) ("If, 臣18 on a motion under Rule 12(b)(5) or 12(c), matters outside the pleadings are presented to and not 19 excluded by the court, the motion must be treated as one for summary judgment under Rule 56."); 20 Stevenns v. McGimsey, 99 Nev. 840, 841, 673 P.2d 499, 500 (1983) (holding that, "Because 21 matters outside the pleadings were presented to and not excluded by the court, the motion was 22 correctly treated as one for summary judgment and disposed of under NRCP 56. See NRAP 12(b), 23 (c)."); Cummings v. City of Las Vegas Mun. Corp., 88 Nev. 479, 481, 499 P.2d 650, 651 (1972) 24 (holding that when matters outside the pleadings are considered in a 12(b)(5) motion, the motion  $\mathbf{25}$ converts to one of summary judgment). 26

For a summary judgment motion to be granted, it must be properly supported with 27 evidence and affidavits from the moving party. In Buss v. Consol. Casinos Corp., 82 Nev. 355, 28

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1 357, 418 P.2d 815, 816 (1966) the Court recognized that the district court had erred in granting

2 summary judgment on a 12(b)(5) motion which attached improper evidence as support:

The difficulty in this case is that the record fails to show that 'matters outside the pleading' were offered in any acceptable fashion. Affidavits, depositions, answers to interrogatories, were not presented in support of the motion. See NRCP 56(e). Attached to the motion was a copy of the rules and regulations governing drawings for the grand prize and an advertisement. Neither was authenticated. In this context the lower court was not authorized to treat the Rule 12(b)(5) motion as a motion for summary judgment under Rule 56. The court's error resulted in its failure to rule upon the legal sufficiency of the complaint. We have studied that pleading and conclude that it is sufficient to defeat a Rule 12(b)(5) motion to dismiss. We therefore reverse the judgment, with direction that the defendant assert its defenses by a responsive pleading.

Buss, 82 Nev. at 357. [emphasis added].

Furthermore, summary judgment can only be granted upon a showing of an actual evidence, when in the view most favorable to the nonmoving party there is no genuine issue of material fact and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. Palmieri v. Clark Cty., 131 Nev. Adv. Op. 102, 367 P.3d 442, 449 (Nev. App. 2015) (citing NRCP 56(c); Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026, 1029 (2005)).

The failure of Defendant to conform their argument to a 12(b) analysis is evident, based on the numerous allegations which contradict the Complaint or are outside of the matters directly addressed. See NRCP 12(d). Defendant fails to establish that there are no set of facts from the actual Complaint which if accepted as true, and which must be accepted as true, would not grant relief for the Plaintiffs. *See Edgar*, 101 Nev. at 228. Notwithstanding the fact that Defendant has not conformed his arguments solely to a 12(b)(5) analysis, even assuming that Defendant had accepted the Complaint's fact as true, their arguments would still fail.

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#### 2. THE PLAUSIBILITY STANDARD DOES NOT APPLY IN NEVADA

25 Contrary to Tessie's arguments, Nevada has not adopted the "plausibility"
26 pleading standard followed by the federal courts under *Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombly*, 550
27 U.S. 544, 570 (2007) and *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, 556 U.S. 662, 678 (2009). See Advisory
28 Committee Note—2019 Amendment, NRCP 12.

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Therefore, Tessie should not have cited such a standard or otherwise based any
arguments on said standard as it is not the law in Nevada.

#### 3. PLEADING FRAUD

NRCP 9 governs the pleading of special matters, including capacity, fraud, mistake,
condition of mind, conditions precedent, official document or act, judgment, time and
place, and special damages. When these specified matters are material to a pleading, the
party must assert in some detail the factual basis. See, e.g., Ivory Ranch v. Quinn River
Ranch, 101 Nev. 471, 705 P.2d 673 (1985) (Rule 9(b), mistake); Shaw v. Stutchman, 105
Nev. 128, 771 P.2d 156 (1989) (Rule 9(a), the capacity of a party).

 An allegation of fraud must provide the circumstances with particularity and must include the time, place, and identity of the parties and the nature of the fraud. Rocker v. KPMG L.L.P., 122 Nev. 1185, 148 P.3d 703, 704 (2006), abrogated on other grounds by Buzz Stew, L.L.C., 124 Nev. 224.

III. ARGUMENT

### 1. RODNEY WAS LEGALLY INCOMPETENT AND LACKED CANTRACTUALY CAPACITY AT THE TIME TESSIE FILED FOR AND OBTAINED A DIVORCE.

#### Nev. Rev. Stat. § 132.175 states:

"Incapacitated person" means a person who is impaired by reason of mental illness, mental deficiency, advanced age, disease, weakness of mind, or any other cause except minority, to the extent of lacking sufficient understanding or capacity to make or communicate responsible decisions.

23 The mere fact that a Court had not at the time of the entry of the Divorce Decree,
24 the filing of Rodney's Answer, or the filing of Tessie's Divorce Complaint, determined
25 that Rodney was incapacitated or otherwise lacked contractual capacity is irrelevant.

26 The question is not whether a court had determined that Rodney was incapacitated27 or otherwise lacking contractual capacity but was Rodney an incapacitated person or

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lacking contractual capacity when he executed the Decree of Divorce and the Answer to 1 2 the Divorce Complaint.

To accept Tessie's argument would mean that no court could ever void or correct a 3 judgment obtained while a party was incapacitated. Such a position is backward and, 4 5 thankfully, not the law.

Hale v. Hale, 130 Nev. 1184 (2014) illustrates that a district court must determine 6 after the fact if a party lacked capacity when executing a Divorce Decree. In Hale, the 7 husband claimed he lacked contractual capacity when executing the Decree of Divorce 8 due to his Dementia. The district court then, as acknowledged by the Supreme Court, 9 properly held an evidentiary to determine whether the husband could prove such incapacity. It did so even though when the Decree was executed, no court had yet determined the husband's capacity or lack thereof.

146 ) 515-1 **13** Honestly, Tessie's argument on this point is made in bad faith. It is alleged that Tessie knew of Rodney's incapacity, exploited it to her advantage, and kept it a secret from the Court to obtain a multimillion-dollar windfall. It is alleged that Tessie hid <u>\_ 15</u> Rodney's decline from her own counsel. The underlying allegations, if proven, would ⊴ **16** show that Tessie not only committed fraud upon the Court, but it would then allow this 日18 Court to set aside or otherwise annul the Divorce Decree.

19 The context of this case is important. A Traumatic Brain Injury is not a trivial 20 matter, and Dementia is not a disease that appears overnight but progresses over the course of several years. Rodney was formally diagnosed with Dementia in May 2020, not 21 even 90 days after the entry of the Divorce Decree. 22

Rodney's Dementia, which may well have been exacerbated or caused by<sup>7</sup> his 2017 23 Traumatic Brain Injury,<sup>8</sup> is so far advanced that as of November 23, 2020, just ten months 24 after the entry of the Divorce Decree, a Court of Competent Jurisdiction appointed Mr. 25

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<sup>8</sup> See Exhibit 1 (Professional Opinion of Kathy Dyer, LPN) submitted under seal.

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 $<sup>\</sup>mathbf{27}$ Expert witnesses will need to be retained to determine with reasonable medical certainty whether Rodney's Dementia predates his Traumatic Brain Injury or was caused by said injury. Either way, said 28 Dementia set on before Tessie filed for Divorce.

Stevenn and Mrs. Sheryl Atterberg as his permanent guardians. The Court did so after it 1 was proven by clear and convincing evidence that Rodney is an incapacitated person and 2 an "at-risk elder" or "at-risk adult with an intellectual and developmental disability."9 3

Dismissal is not warranted here, given that further factual development and a trial 4 may result in Rodney proving he lacked contractual capacity at the time of the Divorce 5 Decree and that Tessie committed fraud when she obtained a decree that awarded her 6 millions and Rodney nothing. 7

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#### NOT NEED то BE 2. THE GUARDIANSHIP DOCUMENTS DO **REGISTERED IN NEVADA.**

There is and was no requirement that the Colorado Order appointing Rodney's 10 permanent guardians be registered in the State of Nevada, and Tessie reliance on Nev. 11 Rev. Stat. § 159.2027 to argue otherwise is misplaced. ลี่ 12

៍ 13 Mrs. Atterberg, Rodney's sister is acting as a friend of the Court in these proceedings. Neither Mrs. Atterberg nor Rodney live in the State of Nevada, own property in Nevada, or otherwise do business in this State. See Nev. Rev. Stat. §§ 159.1998, 159.2024 (Limiting jurisdiction to instances where the ward is physically present or will · 16 be physically present in Nevada); 159.037 (Limiting venue to where the county in which 日18 the ward resides).

The statutory scheme found in chapter 159 is contingent upon the location of the 19 ward, and since Rodney does not reside in Nevada, there is no need to register the Colorado 20 guardianship as a Foreign Judgment. However, has effectuated the filing of a Foreign 21 Judgment as it relates to the Colorado guardianship in Case No. G-21-054224-A. 22

Accordingly, dismissal is not warranted. 23

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<sup>28</sup> <sup>9</sup> See Exhibit 3 (Amended Letters of Permanent Co-Conservatorship for an Adult and Order Appointing Guardian for Adult).

### 3. THE COMPLAINT PROPERLY PLED EACH CAUSE OF ACTION AND **REQUEST FOR RELIEF.**

As a preliminary matter, Tessie's Motion to Dismiss spends a good amount of time 3 talking about what Rodney can or cannot prove. However, such considerations are beyond 4 the scope of a motion to dismiss. Tessie cannot slam the Courthouse doors shut on Rodney 5 by relying on the same documents she fraudulently obtained by exploiting Rodney's lack 6 of capacity. 7

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When ruling on a motion, a court must accept the allegations of the complaint as 8 true and draw all inferences in favor of the nonmoving party. See Buzz Stew at 228, Buzz 9 Stew, L.L.C., 181 P.3d at 672; Seput, 122 Nev. At 501, 134 P.3d at 734 (abrogated on 10 other grounds) Stockmeier, 124 Nev. At 316, 183 P.3d at 135; Snyder, 110 Nev. 1339, 11 885 P.2d 610; Haertel, 102 Nev. 614, 730 P.2d 428.

The standard of review for a dismissal for failure to state a claim is rigorous, as the Court must construe the pleading liberally and draw every fair inference in favor of the nonmoving party. Simpson v. Mars Inc., 113 Nev. 188, 929 P.2d 966 (1997)

Put another way; this Court may only grant Tessie's motion if she can show beyond a doubt that Rodney is not entitled to any relief under any set of facts that could be proved 日18 in support of his claims. See Buzz Stew, LLC, Buzz Stew, L.L.C., 124 Nev. At 228; Stockmeier, 124 Nev. At 316, 183 P.3d at 135; Pankopf, 124 Nev. 43, 175 P.3d 19 20 at 912.

By relying on the very pleadings that Rodney alleges were obtained fraudulently 21 and improperly, Tessie demonstrates that her motion must be denied. Rodney alleges that 22 he was incapacitated and otherwise lacking contractual capacity due to his 2017 23 Traumatic Brain Injury and his Dementia when Tessie filed for and obtained a Divorce. 24 Rodney claims that Tessie knew he was suffering from such a cognitive impairment and 25that she used said knowledge to secure a windfall. 26

As it stands Rodney's 2017 Traumatic Brain Injury, the proximity in time between 27 the entry of the Decree-a Decree that awarded Tessie millions and Rodney nothing-28

Rodney's diagnoses of Dementia, and the entry of permanent guardianship, any
 reasonable person could conclude that Rodney can prove a set of facts that would entitle
 him to relief. Therefore, Tessie's motion must be denied.

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### 1. IF THIS COURT DETERMINES THAT RODNEY'S COMPLAINT IS INSUFFICIENT, IT SHOULD ALLOW RODNEY LEAVE TO AMEND THE COMPLAINT TO CORRECT ANY SUCH DEFICIENCIES.

7 Leave to amend is routinely granted based on Nevada court's strong policy to have
8 cases heard on their merits. See Cohen v. Mirage Resorts, Inc., 119 Nev. 1, 23, 62 P.3d
9 720, 734-35 (2003); Nelson v. Sierra Constr. Corp., 77 Nev. 334, 343, 364 P.2d 402, 406
10 (1961).

If this Court determines that Rodney's complaint fails to properly plead fraud or any other cause of action, rather than dismiss this case, it should allow Rodney 14 days to file an amended complaint to correct any such deficiencies.

#### COUNTERMOTION

#### A. LEGAL STANDARD

The purpose of Rule 60(b) "is to redress any injustices that may have resulted due to excusable neglect or a wrong of an opposing party." Nev. Indus. Dev. V. Benedetti, 103 Nev. 360, 364, 741 P.2d 802, 805 (1987). This rule is liberally construed to effectuate that purpose. Carlson v. Carlson, 108 Nev. 358, 362, 832 P.2d 380, 382 (1992).<sup>10</sup>

B. THE DECREE OF DIVORCE MUST BE SET ASIDE BECAUSE TESSIE COMMITTED FRAUD UPON THE COURT.

Fraud upon the court" has been recognized for centuries as a basis for setting aside
a final judgment, sometimes even years after it was entered. *Hazel-Atlas Co. v. Hartford Co.*, 322 U.S. 238, 245, 64 S. Ct. 997, 88 L. Ed. 1250, 1944 Dec. Comm'r Pat. 675

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<sup>10</sup> NRCP 60(d)(1) and (3) also allow for relief from a judgment through an independent action and to set aside a judgment due to fraud, which are not barred by the six-month limitations described in NRCP 60(c), "Other Powers to Grant Relief. This rule does not limit a court's power to: (1) entertain an independent action to relieve a party from a judgment, order, or proceeding; (3) set aside a judgment for fraud upon the court.

(1944) (discussing "the historic power of equity to set aside fraudulently begotten judgments" and canvassing cases and treatises and vacating a judgment entered nine 2 years earlier), overruled on other grounds by Standard Oil Co. v. United States, 429 U.S. 3 17, 18, 97 S. Ct. 31, 50 L. Ed. 2d 21 (1976). It is, of course, true that "in most instances, 4 society is best served by putting an end to litigation after a case has been tried and judgment entered." Id. At 244, 97 S. Ct. 31, 50 L. Ed. 2d 21. For this reason, a final 6 judgment, once entered, normally is not subject to challenge. However, the policy of repose yields when "the court finds after a proper hearing that fraud has been practiced 8 upon it, or the very temple of justice has been defiled." Universal Oil Prods. Co. v. Root Refin. Co., 328 U.S. 575, 580, 66 S. Ct. 1176, 90 L. Ed. 1447 (1946). "[A] case of fraud upon the court [calls] into question the very legitimacy of the judgment." Calderon v. Thompson, 523 U.S. 538, 557, 118 S. Ct. 1489, 140 L. Ed. 2d 728 (1998). Put another way, "[w]hen a judgment is shown to have been procured" by fraud upon the Court, "no worthwhile interest is served in protecting the judgment." Restatement (Second) of Judgments § 70 cmt. B (1982).

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The concept of "fraud upon the court" embraces only that species of fraud which does, or attempts to, subvert the integrity of the Court itself, or is a fraud perpetrated by officers of the Court so the judicial machinery cannot perform in the usual manner its impartial task of adjudging cases and relief should be denied in the absence of such conduct. NC-DSH, Inc. v. Garner, 125 Nev. 647, 649, 218 P.3d 853, 855 (2009).

While a motion under NRCP 60(b)(3) must be made "not more than 6 months after 21 the proceeding was taken or the date that written notice of entry of the judgment or order 22 was served," NRCP 60(b) does not specify a time limit for motions seeking relief for 23 "fraud upon the court." Id. At 651, 218 P.3d at 856. Nevermind, that such deadlines 24 should be equitably tolled given Rodney's incompetence.  $\mathbf{25}$ 

Fraud upon the Court has been held to exist when the unsuccessful party is kept 26 away from the Court by such conduct as prevents a real trial on the issues. Price v. Dunn, 27 106 Nev. 100, 104, 787 P.2d 785, 787 (1990). 28

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Tessie committed a fraud upon the Court by preparing and having Rodney sign an
 Answer and Divorce Decree knowing full well Rodney was incompetent.

Rodney was legally incapacitated and otherwise lacked contractual capacity when
Tessie filed for and obtained the Divorce. Tessie knew that and sought to exploit such an
advantage by having Rodney's Answer, and the Stipulated Decree prepared according to
her terms for Rodney to sign. Tessie kept the fact that Rodney had suffered a Traumatic
Brain Injury in 2017 from the Court and her counsel, and she otherwise concealed that
Rodney, due to his cognitive impairments, was legally incapacitated and otherwise lacked
contractual capacity.

Tessie did so to circumvent public policy and Nevada law that requires that a court
 "to the extent practicable, make an equal disposition of the community property of the
 parties." See Nev. Rev. Stat. § 125.150(1)(b).
 In doing so, Tessie has subverted the integrity of the Court itself, and therefore

In doing so, Tessie has subverted the integrity of the Court itself, and therefore relief is warranted.

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### C. THE DECREE OF DIVORCE IS VOID AB INTIO BECAUSE RODNEY LACKED CONTRACTUAL CAPACITY.

LAS (202) Nevada courts have retained "the discretion to apply lack of diligence principals to NRCP 60(b)(4) void judgment challenges." Teriano v. Nev. State Bank (In re Harrison **E**18 Living Tr.), 121 Nev. 217, 222, 112 P.3d 1058, 1061 (2005). A judgment is considered 19 void when there is a defect in the Court's authority to enter the judgment due to lack of 20 jurisdiction over the subject matter or parties. See Gassett v. Snappy Car Rental, 111 Nev. 21 1416, 1419, 906 P.2d 258, 261 (1995), superseded by rule on other grounds as stated 22 in Fritz Hansen A/S v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, 116 Nev. 650, 654-56, 6 P.3d 982, 23 984-85 (2000); see also Lindblom v. Prime Hosp. Corp., 120 Nev. 372, 377, 90 P.3d 1283,  $\mathbf{24}$ 1285-86 (2004). 25

26 The six-month limitation is inapplicable to a void judgment. Moore v. Moore, 75
27 Nev. 189, 193 n.2, 336 P.2d 1073, 1075 n.2 (1959); but see Teriano, 121 Nev. At 222,
28 112 P.3d at 1061 (adopting reasonableness requirement).

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Tessie initiated a case against Rodney even though he was legally incapacitated and otherwise lacked contractual capacity. In doing so, the Decree of Divorce is *void* ab initio not only because Rodney lacked the capacity to sign said Decree, but because this the Family Court never properly obtained personal jurisdiction over Rodney. Rodney lacked the legal capacity to accept services and to answer the Divorce complaint.

Therefore, relief is warranted and should be granted forthwith.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

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8 Based on the foregoing, this Court should deny Tessie's motion to dismiss in its
9 entirety, or in the alternative, grant Rodney leave to amend his complaint within 14 days
10 and/or transfer this matter back to Family Court.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

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<u>/s/James W. Kwon, Esq.</u> JAMES W. KWON, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 8146 6280 Spring Mountain Rd., Suite 100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89146 Attorney for Plaintiff

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#### **VERIFICATION**

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SHERYL ATTERBERG, under penalty of perjury, deposes and says:

That I am the Rodney Wilkinson's lawfully appointed guardian; that I have read the 6 foregoing and know the contents thereof; that the same is true of my own knowledge, 7 except for those matters therein contained stated upon information and belief, and as to 8 those matters, I believe them to be true. 9

Pursuant to NRS 53.045, I declare under penalty of perjury under the law of the 10 State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

) ss:

#### /s/ Sheryl Atterberg SHERYL ATTERBERG

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I hereby certify that the Opposition to Defendant's Notice of Motion and Motion to Dismiss Complaint Pursuant to NRCP 12(B)(1), NRCP 12(B)(5), and NRCP 12(H)(2) and Countermotion for Relief pursuant to NRCP 60(b) in the abovecaptioned Case was served this date as follows:

[X] pursuant to Rule 9 of the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules and Administrative Order 20-17 p. 12 Captioned "In the Administrative matter Regarding All Court Operations in Response to COVID-19," by mandatory electronic service through the Eighth Judicial District Court's electronic filing system:

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**Dated** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

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