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# IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LYON

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ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR. and VICENTA LINCICOME,

Plaintiffs,

SABLES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, as Trustee of the Deed of Trust given by Vicenta Lincicome and dated 5/23/2007; FAY SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and subsidiary of Fay Financial, LLC; PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST by U.S. BANK, N.A., as Legal Title Trustee; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016, a Utah limited liability company; NEWREZ, LLC, d/b/a SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC, substituted in for DOE 1; 1900 CAPITAL TRUST II, BY U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, substituted in

Defendants.

in for DOE 3; and DOES 4-10.

for DOE 2; MCM-2018-NPL2, substituted

BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016, LLC,

Counterclaimant,

VS. 25

> ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR., an individual; VICENTA LINCICOME, an individual; and DOE OCCUPANTS 1-5.

> > Counterdefendants.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Plaintiffs Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr., and Vicenta Lincicome appeal to the Supreme Court of Nevada from *the Permanent Writ of Restitution* entered November 17, 2021.

The *Permanent Writ of Restitution* concerns the *Intervenor's Counterclaim* filed by Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC, on October 3, 2019.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Plaintiffs Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr., and Vicenta Lincicome appeal to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the *Order on Breckenridge Motion for Summary Judgment*, entered June 23, 2021.

The Order on Breckenridge Motion for Summary Judgment concerns the Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC, on March 18, 2021.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Plaintiffs Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr., and Vicenta Lincicome appeal to the Supreme Court of Nevada from *the Order on Attorney's Fees and Costs* entered January 19, 2022.

The Order on Attorney's Fees and Costs concerns the Motion for Attorney's Fees and Cost filed by Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC, on July 20, 2021.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

The undersigned hereby affirms, pursuant to NRS 239B.030, that the foregoing does not contain the social security number of any person, or other personal information as defined by NRS 603A.040.

Respectfully submitted \_\_qtb\_ day of February, 2022.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

On the 10th day of February, 2022, pursuant NRCP 5(b) I, Rebekah Higginbotham, an employee of Millward Law, Ltd., caused to be deposited for delivery Plaintiffs" *Notice of Appeal* for service, prior to the filing of this Certificate by placing a true copy thereof in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing by first class mail, postage prepaid, in Minden, Nevada, on said date, following ordinary business practices to:

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2016, LLC

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Rebekah Higginbotham



# **Case Summary**

FAY SERVICING LLC, BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016 LLC, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME JR., VICENTA LINCICOME, SABLES, LLC, PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST BY U.S. BANK, N.A., NEWREZ, LLC dba SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC ~ COMPLAINT

Case Number: 18-CV-01332 Agency: Third Judicial District Court

Type: Other Title to Property Case

Status: Closed

Received Date: 11/7/2018 Status Date: 6/23/2021

#### Involvements

**Primary Involvements** 

NEWREZ, LLC dba SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC

Defendant

BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016 LLC Defendant

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Defendant

SABLES, LLC Defendant

FAY SERVICING LLC Defendant

PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST BY U.S. BANK, N.A.

Defendant

LINCICOME, ALBERT ELLIS JR. Plaintiff

LINCICOME, VICENTA Plaintiff

Other Involvements

Wade, Shadd A. Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Clouser, Justin M. Esq. Plaintiff's Attorney

Schriever, Matthew K. Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Brenner, Darren T. Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Lachman, Scott Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Hernandez, Ramir Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Millward, Michael G. Esq. Plaintiff's Attorney

Third Judicial District Court (18-CV-01332)

Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA Dept II - TJDC

#### 5. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Lead/Active: False

#### 7. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Notes: Newrez LLC dva Shellpoint Mortgage

Lead/Active: False

#### 8. NRCP ~ RELATED PARTY

Lead/Active: False

#### Other Title to Property Case

1. NRCP 3 ~ COMPLAINT

Lead/Active: True



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#### 2. NRCP 3 ~ COMPLAINT

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#### 3. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

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#### 4. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

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#### 6. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Notes: Sables, LLC First Appearance

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#### **Case Status History**

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#### **Documents**

11/7/2018 Complaint (Arbitration Exempt- Declaratory Relief).pdf - Filed

11/7/2018 Civil Cover Sheet.pdf - Filed

11/7/2018 Notice of Lis Pendens APN 29-401-17.pdf - Filed

11/7/2018 Affidavit of Counsel.pdf - Filed

11/7/2018 Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order, Preliminary Injuction & Permanent Injunction.pdf - Filed

11/8/2018 Certificate of Service (Complaint, Application, & Notice).pdf - Filed

11/8/2018 Certificate of Service.pdf - Filed

11/8/2018 Summons- Issued.pdf - Issued

Notes: 4 Originals Issued

11/8/2018 Order.pdf - Filed

11/14/2018 Certificate of Service (2).pdf - Filed

11/14/2018 Request for Submission (Corrected Order).pdf - Filed

11/14/2018 Corrected Order.pdf - Filed

11/15/2018 Notice of Appearance.pdf - Filed

11/15/2018 Response to Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order, Preliminary Injunction and Permanent

Injunction.pdf - Filed

11/15/2018 Declaration of Fay Servicing, LLC in Response to Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order.pdf - Filed Notes: Preliminary Injunction and Permanent Injunction

11/20/2018 Notice of Entry of Order.pdf - Filed

11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit List.pdf - For Court Use Only

11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit 1.pdf - Filed

11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit 2.pdf - Filed

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11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit 15.pdf - Filed
11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit 16.pdf - Filed
11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit 17.pdf - Filed
11/20/2018 Exhibits and Exhibit List from 11-20-18 Hearing\Plaintiff's Exhibit 18.pdf - Filed
11/29/2018 Answer to Complaint.pdf - Filed
12/6/2018 SR. Judge Request 18-CV-01332.pdf - For Court Use Only
12/10/2018 Summon on Return - Served 11-14-18.pdf - Filed on Return
12/10/2018 Memorandum of Temporary Assignment.pdf - Filed
  Notes: Assignment of Judge McGee
12/11/2018 Summons-On Return-Sables LLC's Agent Svd 11-19-18.pdf - Filed on Return
12/14/2018 Three Day Notice of Intent to Take Default.pdf - Filed
  Notes: SABLES, LLC
12/14/2018 Three Day Notice of Intent to Take Default .pdf - Filed
  Notes: Bank of America
12/21/2018 Application for Entry of Default- Bank of America, N.A..pdf - Filed
12/21/2018 Application for Entry of Default- Sables, LLC.pdf - Filed
12/21/2018 Default- Sables, LLC.pdf - Filed
12/21/2018 Default- Bank of America, N.A..pdf - Filed
12/21/2018 Defendant Bank of America, N.A.'s Notice of Motion and Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Complaint.pdf - Filed
12/21/2018 Notice of Appearance - Darren Brenner, Esq. and Scott Lachman, Esq. for BoA.pdf - Filed
12/24/2018 Declaration of Non-monetary Status.pdf - Filed
12/24/2018 Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure - Sables, LLC.pdf - Filed
12/31/2018 Order (2).pdf - Filed
1/8/2019 Notice of Entry of Order (Order filed 12-31-18).pdf - Filed
1/9/2019 Objection to Declaration of Non-Monetary Status.pdf - Filed
1/22/2019 Application for Entry of Default Judgment.pdf - Filed
1/23/2019 Default Judgment.pdf - Submitted
1/28/2019 Sables, LLC's Response to Objection to Its Declaration of Non-Monetary Status.pdf - Filed
1/28/2019 Sables, LLC's Motion to Set Aside Default.pdf - Filed
2/5/2019 Letter from Judge McGee.pdf - For Court Use Only
  Notes: 2/5/19: Called Jackie Tucker - Ok to vacate settlement conference at this time.
2/8/2019 Opposition to Defendant Sables, LLC's Motion to Set Aside Default.pdf - Filed
2/8/2019 Response to Plaintiff's Application for Entry of Default Judgment Against Sables, LLC.pdf - Filed
2/8/2019 Joinder to Sables, LLC's Motion to Set Aside Default.pdf - Filed
2/11/2019 Order Setting Hearing (4-15-19).pdf - Filed
2/13/2019 Order Granting Telephonic Appearance- Shad Wade (4-15-19).pdf - Filed
2/21/2019 Sables, Joinder to Response Plntf's App Entry of Default Jdgmnt.pdf - Filed
3/1/2019 Supplemental Declaration of Shadd A. Wade in Support of Motion to Set Aside Default.pdf - Filed
3/4/2019 Ptf's MTN for Leave to File Amnd Complaint to Substitute Parties.pdf - Filed
3/4/2019 Stipulation & Order to Set Aside & Vacate Default of Defendant Bank of America.pdf - Filed
  Notes: N.A. and to Permit Bank of America, N.A. to File a Response
3/15/2019 Motion for Rule 11 Sanctions Against Plaintiffs.pdf - Filed
3/15/2019 Declaration of Ramir M. Hernandez, Esq. in Support of pdf - Filed
  Notes: Motion for Rule 11 Sanctions Against Plaintiffs
3/15/2019 Notice of Entry of Stipulation & Order to Set Aside.pdf - Filed
3/22/2019 Defendant Bank of America - Motion to Dismiss Complaint.pdf - Filed
3/26/2019 Request for Submission (Order Granting Leave to File Amended Complaint).pdf - Filed
3/27/2019 Order Granting Leave to File Amended Complaint.pdf - For Court Use Only
  Notes: Needs to file new order reflecting what ordered at 4/15/19 hearing--LA
3/28/2019 Opposition to US Bank's Motion for Rule 11 Sanctions.pdf - Filed
4/4/2019 Opposition to BofA Motion to Dismiss Complaint.pdf - Filed
4/9/2019 Order Granting Telephonic Appearance- Scott Lachman (4-15-19).pdf - Filed
4/9/2019 Telephonic Request - Scott Lachman - Ackerman.pdf - For Court Use Only
4/11/2019 Response to Declaration of Shadd A. Wade.pdf - Filed
4/12/2019 Deft Bank of America N.A.'s Reply to Ptf's Oppo to.pdf - Filed
  Notes: Deft's Motion to Dismiss Plaintiffs' Complaint
4/12/2019 Request for Submission.pdf - Filed
4/12/2019 Order Granting Bank of America's Mtn to Dismiss.pdf - For Court Use Only
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**Notes: Against Plaintiffs** 

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5/24/2019 Motion to Intervene & Expunge Lis Pendens.pdf - Filed
5/30/2019 Order .pdf - Filed
6/7/2019 Plaintiffs' Amended Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint to Substitute Parties and Add Additional
Claims for Relief.pdf - Filed
6/10/2019 Opposition to Motion to Intervene.pdf - Filed
6/19/2019 Oppo to PItr's Amended Motion for Leave to file Amnd Complaint.pdf - Filed
6/19/2019 Reply in Support of MTN to Intervene & Expunge Lis Pendens.pdf - Filed
6/19/2019 Request to Submit MTN to Intervene .pdf - Filed
6/20/2019 Sables, LLC's Opposition to Plaintiffs' Amended Motion to Amend.pdf - Filed
6/20/2019 Notice of Entry of Order - 5-30-19.pdf - Filed
6/21/2019 Application for Attorney's Fees and Costs.pdf - Filed
7/5/2019 Obejction to Application for Attorney Fees.pdf - Filed
7/9/2019 Reply to Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC's Opposition to the Amended Motion.pdf - Filed
7/15/2019 Receipt for Documents (S.C.).pdf - Filed
7/22/2019 Documents From Millward Law Re Supreme Court Appendix to Writ of Mandamus.pdf - For Court Use Only
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8/5/2019 Notice of Transfer to Court of Appeals.pdf - Filed
8/19/2019 Order on Application for Attorneys Fees and Costs.pdf - Filed
8/22/2019 Email setting Telephone Conference 8 23 19.pdf - For Court Use Only
8/26/2019 Notice of Entry of Order (2).pdf - Filed
8/28/2019 Order Granting Plaintiffs' Leave to File Second Amended Complaint.pdf - Filed
9/12/2019 Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Complaint to Substitute Parties & Add Additional Claims
for Relief.pdf - Filed
9/17/2019 Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part the Motion to Intervene and Expunge Lis Pendens.pdf - Filed
9/23/2019 Notice of Entry of Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part the Motion to Intervene.pdf - Filed
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10/3/2019 Ex Parte MTN for OSC Temp Writ of Restitution Should Not be granted.pdf - Filed
10/3/2019 Intervenor's Counterclaim.pdf - Filed
10/3/2019 Ord to Show Cause Why Temp Writ Should not be Granted.pdf - Submitted
10/10/2019 Request to Submit.pdf - Filed
10/16/2019 Order-File Amended Complaint.pdf - Filed
10/18/2019 Pltf's Oppo to MTN for OSC Re Writ of Restitution.pdf - Filed
10/23/2019 Answer to Counterclaim and Counterclaim Against Intervenor.pdf - Filed
10/24/2019 Order Denying ExParte Motion and Setting Hearing.pdf - Filed
10/24/2019 Certificate of Service (Answer to Counterclaim and Counterclaim).pdf - Filed
10/31/2019 Order Granting Telephonic Extension- Supreme Court.pdf - Filed
11/12/2019 Motion for a Hearing on Pending Motions and for Rule 16.1(b) Conference.pdf - Filed
11/12/2019 Notice of Entry of Order Denying Ex parte Motion & Setting Hearing.pdf - Filed
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11/21/2019 Certificate of Mailing - Request to Submit.pdf - Filed
11/21/2019 Certificate of Mailing - Ptf's Oppo to MTN.pdf - Filed
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12/3/2019 Order Granting Telephonic Appearance - S Lachman.pdf - Filed
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12/6/2019 Order (on Motion to File Second Amended Complaint).pdf - Filed
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12/20/2019 Second Amended Complaint.pdf - Filed
12/20/2019 Notice of Entry of Order - Reconsideration.pdf - Filed
12/20/2019 Notice of Entry of Order - Second Amended Complaint.pdf - Filed
1/7/2020 Answer to Second Amended Complaint (Prof-2013 M4-Legal Title Trust and Fay Servicing LLC).pdf - Filed
1/8/2020 Breckenridges Answer to Second Amended Complaint.pdf - Filed
1/17/2020 Summons for second Amended Complaint - Issued.pdf - Issued
1/21/2020 Notice of Association of Counsel.pdf - Filed
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2/12/2020 Notice of Filing of Petition for Review By the Supreme Court.pdf - Filed
3/6/2020 Notice of NRCP 16.1 Early Case Managment Conference.pdf - Filed
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3/19/2020 Answer to Second Amended Complaint - Newrez, LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing LLC.pdf - Filed
3/27/2020 Motion for Order Requiring Plaintiff to Deposit Rental &-or Mortgage Payments With Court.pdf - Filed
4/3/2020 Joinder to Motion for Order -Deposit Rental Payments With Court.pdf - Filed
4/7/2020 Transcript Hearing 4-15-19.pdf - Filed
4/7/2020 proof of Service of summons & Complaint on Newrez.pdf - Filed
4/13/2020 Plaintiff's Opposition to Motion for Deposit of Payments.pdf - Filed
4/22/2020 Joint Case Conference Report.pdf - Filed
4/24/2020 Order Denying Petition for Review (S.C.).pdf - Filed
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5/26/2020 Preparation of Scheduling Order.pdf - For Court Use Only
5/27/2020 Scheduling Order.pdf - Filed
5/28/2020 Ord Denying MTN for Ord Requiring Pltf to Deposit Rental Pmnts.pdf - For Court Use Only
6/24/2020 Returned Mail MCM.pdf - For Court Use Only
7/10/2020 Motion for Leave to File Crossclaim Against Prof-2013-M4.pdf - Filed
8/17/2020 Response to Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC's Motion for Leave to File Crossclaim.pdf - Filed
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9/11/2020 Request for Submission of Motion for Leave to File Crossclaim.pdf - Filed
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  Title Trustee
9/21/2020 Order Granting Breckenridge's Motion for Leave to File Crossclaim Against Prof-2013-M4.pdf - Filed
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10/2/2020 Request for Admissions & Request for Admission of Genuineness of Documents.pdf - Filed
10/2/2020 Breckenridge Property Fund 2016 Crossclaim Against Prof 2013 By US Bank as Legal Title Trustee.pdf - Filed
11/2/2020 Answer to Breckenridge Property Fund Crossclaim Against Prof 2013-M4 Legal Title Trust by US Bank
National.pdf - Filed
  Notes: Association, as Legal Title Trustee
1/22/2021 2_18 Zoom Information_ Case No_ 18-CV-01332 _ Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr. v. Sabes, LLC.pdf - For Court Use
  Notes: Attorneys for Bank of America:
  Melanie D. Morgan, Esq. & Jennifer Chatman
  Attorneys appearing for Prof-2013, Fay, and Shellpoint:
  Ramir M. Hernandez
  Darren Brenner
  Appearing for Fay and Prof-2013
  Todd Visser
  Appearing for Shellpoint:
  Ernest Wagner
  Amber Knight
2/9/2021 Bank of America Confidential Settlement Conf. Statement BRF [Lincicome, Albert] BANA_s.PDF - For Court
2/9/2021 Exhibits to Bank of America's Confidential Settlement Conf. Statement BRF [Lincicome, Albert].PDF - For
Court Use Only
2/10/2021 Breckenridge Property Confidential Settlement Statement.pdf - For Court Use Only
2/12/2021 U.S. Bank Trust, et al Confidential Settlement Statement.pdf - For Court Use Only
2/12/2021 Plaintiffs (Lincicome) Settlement Conference Statement (2021-02-11).pdf - For Court Use Only
2/23/2021 Prof-2013 M4-Legal Title Trust by US Bank and Fay Servicing LLC's Confidential Settlement Brief.pdf - Sealed
  Notes: Prof-2013 M4-Legal Title Trust by US Bank, National Association, as Legal Title Trustee;s, New Rez, LLC dba
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Shellpoint MOrtgage Servicing, LLC and Fay Servicing LLC's Confidential Settlement Brief
3/8/2021 Stipulation and Order Extending Dispositive Motion Deadlines and Continuing Trial Date and Related
Deadlines.pdf - Filed



- 3/17/2021 Motion for Summary Jdgmnt (Bank of America).pdf Filed
- 3/18/2021 Breckenridge Property Fund's Motion for Summary Judgment Against Plaintiff.pdf Filed
- 3/19/2021 Motion for Partial Summary Judgment (Final).pdf Filed
- 3/22/2021 Certificate of Service Motion for Partial Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 3/25/2021 Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing LLC's Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 3/25/2021 Prof-2013 M4 Legal Title Trust, and Fay Servicing LLC's Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 3/25/2021 Notice of Entry of Order (Order filed 3-6-21).pdf Filed
- 3/25/2021 Request for Judicial Notice in Support of Defendant's Motions for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 3/25/2021 Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, LLC's Undisputed Statement of Fact in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 3/25/2021 Prof-2013 M4 Legal Title Trust, and Fay Servicing LLC's Undisputed Statement of Facts.pdf Filed Notes: in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment
- 3/29/2021 Breckenridge's Joinder to Other Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 4/2/2021 Bank of America's Joinder to Prof 2013 Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 4/2/2021 Bank of America's Errata to Bank of America's Motion for Summary Judgment & Motion for Sanctions.pdf Filed
- 4/2/2021 Bank of America's Joinder to Newrez's Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
- 4/2/2021 Bank of America's Joinder to Breckenridge's Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
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- 4/15/2021 Pltf's Statement of Udisputed Material Facts.pdf Filed
- 4/19/2021 Joinder to BofA's Motion for Summary Judgment, Breck Motion for Summary Judgment Against.pdf Filed Notes: Plaintiff, and Prof 2013 Motion for Summary Judgment
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- 5/5/2021 Bank of America, N.A.'s Reply Supporting Motion for Summary Judgment.pdf Filed
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- 6/23/2021 Order Denying Plaintiff's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment-Granting Motions.pdf Filed
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THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT LYON COUNTY, NEVADA

ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR., and VICENTA LINCICOME,

Plaintiff,

17 v.

> SABLES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, as Trustee of the Deed of Trust given

by Vicenta Lincicome and dated 5/23/2007; FAY SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and subsidiary of Fay Financial, LLC; PROF-2013-MF LEGAL TITLE TRUST by U.S. BANK, N.A., as Legal Title Trustee; for BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016; NEWREZ LLC dba SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING.

LLC; 1900 CAPITAL TRUST II, BY U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION:

MCM-2018-NPL2 and DOES 1-50.,

Defendants. 27

AND RELATED MATTERS.

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PERMANENT WRIT OF RESTITUTION

THE STATE OF NEVADA TO THE SHERIFF OR CONSTABLE OF LYON COUNT, GREETING.

WHEREAS on October 3, 2019, Defendant in Intervention/Counterclaimant Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC ("Counterclaimant") filed its Intervenor's Counterclaim ("Counterclaim") pursuant to which Counterclaimant asserted, among other things, claims for quiet title and writ of restitution regarding that certain real property at issue located at 70 Riverside Drive, Dayton, Nevada 89403 ("Property");

WHEREAS on March 18, 2021, Counterclaimant filed its Motion for Summary Judgment ("Counterclaimant's MSJ") seeking judgment on all counterclaims;

WHEREAS on June 23, 2021, this Court entered its Order on Breckenridge Motion for Summary Judgment ("Order") pursuant to which it granted the Counterclaimant's MSJ in its entirety;

WHEREAS in the Order this Court made numerous findings of fact and conclusions of law, adopted herein by reference, including but not limited to the findings that Counterclaimant purchased the Property at a proper foreclosure sale and is therefore entitled to summary judgment regarding its claims to title of the Property as against plaintiffs Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr. and Vicenta Lincicome;

WHEREAS on September 9, 2021, Counterclaimant filed a Motion for Entry of Order Granting Permanent Restitution and Payment of Overdue Rents.

WHEREAS on September 14, 2021, Plaintiffs filed and served their Motion for Stay Pending Appeal.

WHEREAS on October 12, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., after further briefing had been filed on the motions filed on October 9, 2021 and September 14, 2021, the Court held a hearing on the two motions.

WHEREAS based on the evidence presented, the Court granted Plaintiff's Motion for Stay Pending Appeal, but required Plaintiffs to post a supersedeas bond of \$140,000.00 to be paid by November 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in order for the stay to be entered.

WHEREAS the court also granted Counterclaimant's request for a permanent writ of restitution and ordered that a permanent writ of restitution should be issued that states it is effective as of November 15, 2021 if no supersedeas bond was posted by November 12, 2021.

WHEREAS pursuant to the Order Counterclaimant should have permanent restitution of the Property effective as of November 15, 2021.

WHEREAS, so long as this writ is delivered to you on or after November 15, 2021 and there has been no supersedeas bond posted with the Court:

YOU ARE THEREFORE COMMANDED to take with you the force of the County, if necessary, and cause the said Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr. and Vicenta Lincicome and any tenants or sub-tenants to be removed from the Property on November 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter and allow the Counterclaimant to have permanent peaceable restitution of the same.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND this 17th day of November , 2021.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Affirmation pursuant to NRS 239B.030: The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document filed in this court does not contain the social security number of any person 2 Respectfully Submitted: 3 **HUTCHISON & STEFFEN, PLLC** 5 6 John T. Steffen (4390) Brenoch R. Wirthlin (10282) Alex **R**. Velto (14961) 10080 West Alta Drive, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89145 bwirthlin@hutchlegal.com 10 11 Wedgewood, LLC 12 Office of the General Counsel Casey J. Nelson, Esq. (12259) 13 2320 Potosi Street, Suite 130 Las Vegas, Nevada 89146 14 E-mail: caseynelson@wedgewood-inc.com 15 Attorney for Defendant, Counterclaimant, and Cross-Plaintiff Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LYON

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ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR. and VICENTA LINCICOME,

Plaintiffs,

SABES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, as Trustee of the Deed of Trust given by Vicenta Lincicome and dated 5/23/2007; FAY SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and subsidiary of Fay Financial, LLC; PROF-2013 M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST by U.S. BANK, N.A., as Legal Title Trustee; for BANK OF AMERICAN, N.A.; BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016, A Utah limited liability company; NEWREZ, LLC, d/b/a SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC substituted in for DOE 1; 1900 CAPITAL TRUST II, BY U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION. substituted in for DOE 2; MNCM-2018-NPL@, substituted in for DOE 3; and DOES 4-10. Defendants.

**ORDER DENYING** PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR **PARTIAL SUMMARY** JUDGMENT/ GRANTING **MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY** JUDGMENT FILED BY BANA, PROF-2013 M4 LEGALL TRUST, US BANK AND FAY SERVICING LLC

### I. STATEMENT OF THE CASE

On March 19, 2021, the Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Partial Summary Judgment. On April 19, 2021, Defendants, Prof-2013M4-Legal Trust, by U.S. Bank, National Association, as Legal Title trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC filed an Opposition. On May 5, 2021,

Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC joined the Opposition. On May 6, 2021, Plaintiffs filed a Reply.

On March 25, 2021, Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. On the same date Prof-2013 M4 Legal trust, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC, filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. On April 15, 2021, the Plaintiffs filed an Opposition. On May 6, 2021 Prof-2013 M4 Legal trust, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC, filed a Reply. On May 10, 2021 Shellpoint Mortgage filed a Reply.

On March 17, 2021, Bank of America, hereinafter "BANA," filed a Motion for Summary Judgment and request for discovery sanctions. On April 15, 2021, the Plaintiffs filed an Opposition. On May 5, 2021, BANA filed a Reply. Defendant Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC ("Breckenridge") joined in the Motion on March 29, 2021. Defendants Prof-2013 M4-Legal Title Trust, by U.S. Bank, National Association, as legal Title Trustee (U.S. Bank Trust"), Defendant Fay Servicing LLC ("Fay") and Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, LLC ("Shellpoint") joined the Motion on April 19, 2021.

#### II. ISSUE PRESENTED

Should the Court sanction the Plaintiffs for discovery violations?

Should the Court grant the Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment?

Should the Court grant the Defendants' Motions for Summary Judgment?

#### III. SUMMARY OF DECISION

The Court finds that the Plaintiffs violated NRCP Rule 16.1 and sanctions are appropriate.

The Court finds that no genuine material issues of fact exist and Plaintiffs are not entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law.

The Court finds that no genuine material issues of fact exist and the Defendants are entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law.

#### IV. PRINCIPLES OF LAW

# A. Standard of Review

NRCP 56(c) requires a court to enter summary judgment in favor of a party when the "pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with affidavits, if any, show that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law. "NRCP 56(c). A genuine issue of material fact exists where the evidence is such that a reasonable jury could return a verdict for the non-moving party. *Posada v. City of Reno*, 109 Nev. 448 (1993).

When reviewing a motion for summary judgment, the evidence and all reasonable inferences drawn from the evidence, must be viewed in a light most favorable to the non-moving party. *Richards v. Republic Silver State Disposal, Inc.*, 122 Nev. 1213 (2006). Summary judgment is appropriate and "shall be rendered forthwith" when the pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate that no "genuine issue as to any material (remains) and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law. *Wood v. Safeway, Inc.*, 106 Nev. 601, 603 (1990).

#### B. Statutes of Limitation

NRS 11.190 states in relevant part:

#### (1) Within 6 years:

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 62B.420 and 176.275, an action upon a judgment or decree of any court of the United States, or of any state or territory within the United States, or the renewal thereof.
- (b) An action upon a contract, obligation or liability founded upon an instrument in writing, except those mentioned in the preceding sections of this chapter.

#### C. Enforceability of FMA Agreement

The Supreme Court held in *Cain v Price*, 134 Nev. 193 195 (2018), that to be "legally enforceable, a contract "must be supported by consideration." In *Jones v SunTrust Mtg., Inc.* 128 Nev.

188, 191 (2012) the Nevada Supreme Court held that "Consideration is the exchange of a promise or performance, bargained for by the parties." The *Jones* Court held:

A party's affirmation of a preexisting duty is generally not adequate consideration to support a new agreement. See Cty. of Clark v. Bonanza No. 1, 96 Nev. 643, 650, 615 P.2d 939, 943 (1980). However, where a party's promise, offered as consideration, differs from that which it already promised, there is sufficient consideration to support the subsequent agreement. 3 Williston on Contracts § 7:41 (4th ed. 2008).

In *Jones*, the Nevada Supreme Court had to determine the validity of a signed agreement resulting from Nevada's Foreclosure Mediation Program. The *Jones* Court held that, "when an agreement is reached as a result of an FMO mediation, the parties sign the agreement, and it otherwise comports with contract principles, the agreement is enforceable under District Court Rule 16."id. District Court Rule 16 states:

No agreement or stipulation between the parties in a cause or their attorneys, in respect to proceedings therein, will be regarded unless the same shall, by consent, be entered in the minutes in the form of an order, or unless the same shall be in writing subscribed by the party against whom the same shall be alleged, or by the party's attorney.

NRS 40.453 states:

Except as otherwise provided in NRS 40.495:

- 1. It is hereby declared by the Legislature to be against public policy for any document relating to the sale of real property to contain any provision whereby a mortgagor or the grantor of a deed of trust or a guarantor or surety of the indebtedness secured thereby, waives any right secured to the person by the laws of this state.
  - 2. A court shall not enforce any such provision.

In Lowe Enterprise Residential Partners, L.P. v Eighth Judicial District Court ex rel. County of Clark, 118 Nev. 92, 104 (2002) the Nevada Supreme Court delved into the legislative history of NRS 40.453. The Court held that a "review of the legislative history reveals that NRS 40.453 was enacted to protect the rights created by Nevada's anti-deficiency legislation, not to protect the right to a jury trial." This statute does not prohibit parties from agreeing to provide a deed in lieu of foreclosure.

D. Claim Preclusion

The Nevada Supreme Court has adopted a three-part test to determine the availability of claim preclusion: "(1) the parties or their privies are the same, (2) the final judgment is valid, and (3) the subsequent action is based on the same claims or any part of them that were or could have been brought in the first case." *G.C. Wallace, Inc. v Eighth Judicial District Court*, 127 Nev. 701, 706 (2011), citing to *Five Star*, 124 Nev. at 1054, 194 P.3d at 713 (footnote omitted).

# E. Repudiation/Renunciation/Anticipatory Breach

17B C.J.S. Contracts § 718, Acts constituting renunciation or repudiation, states:

In order that the rule permitting the immediate institution of a suit on the renunciation or repudiation of a contract may apply, the renunciation or repudiation must be a present one. It must also be entire, or total, covering the entire performance to which the contract binds the promisor, or the refusal to perform must be of a covenant going to the whole consideration. Furthermore, the renunciation or repudiation must be absolute or unequivocal. It has also been said that in order to be effective for this purpose, the renunciation or repudiation must be clear, strict, positive, definite, specific, distinct, final, unqualified, or unconditional.

In order to constitute an absolute and unequivocal repudiation, no precise form of words is necessary. Whether an anticipatory repudiation has occurred is determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on the particular language used. The repudiation or renunciation may be by language or act making it futile for the other

party to proceed. An intent to repudiate may be expressly asserted or circumstantially manifested by conduct. However, a party's words and acts communicated to the other party, not its intention, should control. Thus, a mere expression of intention not to perform, or not to be bound, is not enough, nor is a mere threat to abandon, or a mere assertion that the party will be unable, or will refuse, to perform the contract. At the same time, a refusal to perform may itself be a repudiation of the contract, in spite of a party's words seeking to reassure the other party of its intent to perform in the future.

17B C.J.S. Contracts § 722, Elections of remedies upon renunciation of executory contract-

Acceptance or rejection of renunciation states:

The party injured by an anticipatory breach has an election to accept or reject the refusal of performance. For the doctrine of breach by anticipatory repudiation to be applied, the nonrepudiating party must treat the repudiation as a breach. That is, it must accept and act on it. Moreover, it must also act promptly and within a reasonable time. However, the effect of an anticipatory repudiation is not nullified by the fact that the nonrepudiating party attempts to enforce performance.

The renunciation of a contract by the promisor before the time stipulated for performance is not effective unless such repudiation is unequivocally or affirmatively accepted by the promisee. If the promisee declines to accept the renunciation and continues to insist on the performance of the promise, as it may do, the contract remains in existence for the benefit, and at the risk, of both parties, and is binding on them, and, if anything occurs to discharge it from other causes, the promisor may take advantage of such discharge. Where the contract thus remains in existence, no actionable claim for damages arises until the time for performance expires. Furthermore, a repudiation not treated as an anticipatory breach is immaterial in an action thereafter brought to enforce the contract.

If, after the attempted renunciation by one party to the contract, the other party elects to treat the contract as still binding and to await the time for full performance, it is incumbent on the party making such election to perform such of the obligations as may, in the meantime, fall on it under the terms of the contract.

# F. Tender of Payments

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§ 47:1.Showing of readiness and willingness to perform, 15 Williston on Contracts § 47:1 (4th ed.) states:

A party to a contract who complains that the other party has breached the terms of the contract must prove performance of the contract on his or her own part or a valid and unconditional tender of performance rejected by the other party. Tender of performance in this regard combines readiness, willingness, and ability to perform. In order to be valid, tender of payment on a contract must be: (1) timely; (2) made to the person entitled to payment; (3) unconditional; (4) an offer to pay the amount of money due; and (5) coupled with an actual production of the money or its equivalent. The rules that govern tenders are strict and strictly applied; a tender must be one of full performance and unconditional to be valid; moreover, the party alleging an offer of tender must possess the ability to perform, and the tender must be made in good faith. Unlike the situation where performance by one party is a condition precedent to performance by the other, where conditions are concurrent, the allegation of tender need not be of absolute tender. A tender conditional on contemporaneous performance by the defendant is sufficient and necessary. It has sometimes been said that in such a case, an allegation of readiness and willingness on the part of the plaintiff is sufficient or even that this is not part of the plaintiff's case. However, while in suits for specific performance a different rule prevails in many jurisdictions to maintain an action for legal relief, the plaintiff must not only be ready and willing to perform but also must have manifested this before bringing the action, by some offer of performance to the defendant, for, otherwise, both parties might be ready and willing and each stay at home waiting for the other to come forward. While the situation is possible that each of two parties has a right to specific performance against the other, it is not possible that each shall have a right to damages for a total breach of the contract.

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In *Bank of America, N.A. v SFR Investment Pool* 1, LLC 134 Nev. 604, 610-11 (2018) the Nevada Supreme Court discussed the obligation of a tendering party. The Supreme Court stated:

Whether a tendering party must pay the amount into court depends on the nature of the proceeding and the statutory and common law of the jurisdiction. See Annotation, Necessity of Keeping Tender Good in Equity, 12 A.L.R. 938 (1921) ("Generally, there is no fixed rule in equity which requires a tender to he kept good in the sense in which that phrase is used at law."); see also Restatement (Third) of Prop.: Mortgages § 6.4 (Am. Law Inst. 1997) ("The tender must he kept good in the sense that the person making the tender must continue at all times to be ready, willing, and able to make the payment."). Where payment into court is not explicitly required, "averment of a readiness and willingness to bring the money into court, and pay the same on the order of the court, is sufficient." Annotation, Necessity of Keeping Tender Good in Equity, 12 A.L.R. 938 (1921). And, "the necessity of keeping a tender good and of paying the money into court has no application to a tender made for the purpose of discharging a mortgage lien." Annotation, Unaccepted Tender as Affecting Lien of Real Estate Mortgage, 93 A.L.R. 12 (1934) (explaining that such a tender would either immediately discharge the mortgage lien or the lien would remain unimpaired by the tender).

(Citations omitted).

If a party seeks to reinstate a loan having alleged a wrongful foreclosure occurred in that the party was not in default, then the party must still allege and prove the party performed and has the ability to tender any amounts in contention and to continue performing. *Turner v Seterus, Inc*, 27 Cal.App 5<sup>th</sup> 516, 530-31 (Ct. App 3rd CA 2018).

# G. Substantial Compliance and NRS 107.080

NRS 107.080 (5) through (8) states:

- 5. Every sale made under the provisions of this section and other sections of this chapter vests in the purchaser the title of the grantor and any successors in interest without equity or right of redemption. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a sale made pursuant to this section must be declared void by any court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the sale took place if:
- (a) The trustee or other person authorized to make the sale does not substantially comply with the provisions of this section;

- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, an action is commenced in the county where the sale took place within 30 days after the date on which the trustee's deed upon sale is recorded pursuant to subsection 10 in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located; and
- (c) A notice of lis pendens providing notice of the pendency of the action is recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county where the sale took place within 5 days after commencement of the action.
- 6. If proper notice is not provided pursuant to subsection 3 or paragraph (a) of subsection 4 to the grantor, to the person who holds the title of record on the date the notice of default and election to sell is recorded, to each trustor or to any other person entitled to such notice, the person who did not receive such proper notice may commence an action pursuant to subsection 5 within 90 days after the date of the sale.
- 7. Upon expiration of the time for commencing an action which is set forth in subsections 5 and 6, any failure to comply with the provisions of this section or any other provision of this chapter does not affect the rights of a bona fide purchaser as described in NRS 111.180.
- 8. If, in an action brought by the grantor or the person who holds title of record in the district court in and for the county in which the real property is located, the court finds that the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee did not comply with any requirement of subsection 2, 3 or 4, the court must award to the grantor or the person who holds title of record:
- (a) Damages of \$5,000 or treble the amount of actual damages, whichever is greater;
- (b) An injunction enjoining the exercise of the power of sale until the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee complies with the requirements of subsections 2, 3 and 4; and
- (c) Reasonable attorney's fees and costs, unless the court finds good cause for a different award. The remedy provided in this subsection is in addition to the remedy provided in subsection 5.

In Schleining v Cap One, Inc, 130 Nev. 323, 327 (2014), the Supreme Court held that NRS 107.080 does not require strict adherence. The Court focused upon the "does not substantially comply with" language. In Dayco Funding Corporation v Mona, 134 Nev. 929 (2018) the Nevada Supreme Court held that substantial compliance is found when the title holder "had actual knowledge of the default and the pending foreclosure sale" and "was not prejudiced by the lack of statutory notice." Id. citations omitted.

This Court found one decision which stated that inaccurate numbers regarding a deficiency was not grounds to find that a notice of default was not in substantial compliance. *Kehoe v Aurora Loan Services LLC*, 2010 WL 4286331 (US Dst. Ct D. Nev 2010).

# H. Computation of Damages-NRCP Rule 16.1

NRCP Rule 16.1 (a) (1) (iv) requires an initial disclosure regarding the Plaintiff's computation of damages:

(iv) a computation of each category of damages claimed by the disclosing party--who must make available for inspection and copying as under Rule 34 the documents or other evidentiary material, unless privileged or protected from disclosure, on which each computation is based, including materials bearing on the nature and extent of injuries suffered; ....

In *Pizarro-Ortega v. Cervantes-Lopez*, 133 Nev. 261, 265 (2017), the Nevada Supreme Court held that NRCP Rule 37 (c) (1) "provides the appropriate analytical framework for district courts to employ in determining the consequence..." for a failure to comply with NRCP Rule 16.1. The party in violation must show a "substantial justification" or that the failure is harmless to avoid sanctions that include the exclusion of evidence. Id.

#### NRCP Rule 37 (b) (1) states:

- (b) Sanctions for Failure to Comply With a Court Order.
- (1) For Not Obeying a Discovery Order. If a party or a party's officer, director, or managing agent or a witness designated under Rule 30(b)(6) or 31(a)(4) fails to obey an order to provide or permit discovery, including an order under Rule 35 or 37(a), the court may issue further just orders that may include the following:
- (A) directing that the matters embraced in the order or other designated facts be taken as established for purposes of the action, as the prevailing party claims;
- (B) prohibiting the disobedient party from supporting or opposing designated claims or defenses, or from introducing designated matters in evidence;
  - (C) striking pleadings in whole or in part;
  - (D) staying further proceedings until the order is obeyed;
  - (E) dismissing the action or proceeding in whole or in part;
  - (F) rendering a default judgment against the disobedient party; or
- (G) treating as contempt of court the failure to obey any order except an order to submit to a physical or mental examination.

#### V. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. In May of 2007, Vicenta Lincicome financed a property known as 70 Riverside Drive, Dayton Nevada 89403 with a loan in the amount of \$381,150.00 secured by a recorded deed. The deed of trust identified Sierra Pacific Mortgage Company, Inc. as the lender and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. "MERS" as the beneficiary and nominee of the lender. Vicenta Lincicome executed the documents that created the deed of trust and note and understood she had a 30-year maturity date.
- On August 15, 2011, MERS recorded an assignment of the deed of trust, transferring the interest in the deed of trust to BANA, Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP.
- 3. On November 25, 2015, BANA recorded an assignment of the deed of trust transferring its interest to U.S. Bank.
- 4. In mid-2008, the Plaintiffs defaulted on the loan making less than ten payments.
- 5. In January 2009, the trustee under the deed of trust at the time recorded a notice of default.
- 6. In July 2009, BANA offered the Plaintiffs a loan modification agreement "LMA." The new loan balance was \$417,198.58. The Plaintiffs were provided a post office box to send payments.
- 7. BANA accepted the first modified payment from the Plaintiffs in person at a BANA branch in Carson City on September 1, 2009. The Plaintiffs attempted to make the second payment at a BANA Branch but it was rejected as BANA's computer system did not recognize the LMA. The Plaintiffs believe the breach of LMA occurred in 2009 and their deposition testimony states they were aware of the breach at that time.

- 8. The Plaintiffs made no other attempts to mail the payments. BANA then notified the Plaintiffs in October of 2009 stating that the loan had not been modified. However, then BANA signed the LMA and recorded it in March of 2011.
- 9. In April of 2010, the Plaintiffs filed for Chapter 13 bankruptcy and listed the debt for the property at \$381,000. The Plaintiffs made no payment at the time of bankruptcy filing or during the bankruptcy. The Plaintiffs did not challenge the underlying obligation.
- 10. BANA offered the Plaintiffs a modification in April of 2012 but the Plaintiffs made no payment on the offer. BANA offered another modification on April 2015 but the loan was service released to Fay Servicing prior to the final payment.
- 11. In January 2015, the Bankruptcy court terminated the automatic stay as to BANA. A final decree was filed by the Bankruptcy Court in July of 2015.
- 12. On November 3, 2017, Sables, as trustee under the deed of trust, recorded a notice of default.
- 13. On December 1, 2017, Vicenta Lincicome filed a petition for foreclosure mediation assistance in the Third Judicial District Court, 17-CV-01346, naming Sables, U.S. Bank and Fay Servicing as interested parties.
- 14. The Mediator's Statement indicates that Vincenta Lincicome was represented by Geoff Giles, Esq. at the Mediation. The Plaintiffs agreed to a Deed in Lieu of Foreclosure. All parties signed the statement on April 3, 2018. The Plaintiffs had the opportunity to make three payments of \$2462.30 as an offered trial period plan. The payments had to be made on April 1, 2018, May 1, 2018 and June 1, 2018.
- 15. The Plaintiffs decided not to make the payments. The Plaintiffs did not provide the deed in lieu of foreclosure. A certificate for foreclosure was issued.

- 16. The Plaintiffs did not place the required monthly payments in a bank account or escrow account. Plaintiffs spent all of their income on either items. Plaintiffs do not have sufficient funds to pay off what is owed under any theory as to what instrument controls the computation of what is owed.
- 17. In depositions attached to the Motion for Summary Judgment, the Plaintiffs admitted that they could not afford to make payments on the mortgage. The Plaintiffs have never averred to the Court that they are ready, willing, and able to perform on the original mortgage or subsequent modifications.
- 18. A Notice of Default and Notice of Sale was filed against the subject property.
- 19. On November 7, 2018, the Plaintiffs filed a complaint for injunctive relief, contractual claims and declaratory relief regarding the foreclosure sale of the subject property.
- 20. On November 8, 2018, the Plaintiffs recorded a lis pendens on the subject property and then filed an Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order, Preliminary Injunction and Permanent Injunction with the Court.
- 21. On December 31, 2018, the Court entered an order enjoining the foreclosure sale if the Plaintiffs posted a bond in the amount of \$172,610.67 and additional security in the amount of \$2,105.10 per month thereafter. The Plaintiffs did not file the bond.
- 22. The foreclosure sale went forward on January 4, 2019, and Breckenridge purchased the property for \$294,000.01.
- 23. On January 25, 2019, the Trustees Deed Upon Sale confirming Breckenridge's purchase of the subject property was recorded.

#### **ANALYSIS**

The gravamen of the Plaintiffs' causes of action is the alleged breach of the 2009 Loan

Modification Agreement by Defendant BANA. The Plaintiffs allege that Vincenta Lincicome executed and mailed the application in July of 2009. The Court infers from these allegations that the Plaintiffs believe that the mailing of the application constituted an acceptance and the LMA was from that point on a binding contract between the parties.

After mailing the forms, BANA accepted a payment and informed the Plaintiffs that they would investigate whether the LMA was accepted. In October of 2009, the Plaintiffs received a mortgage statement indicating that BANA had not accepted the LMA and was using the terms of the original agreement. From these alleged facts, the Court cannot find an offer and acceptance of the LMA had occurred. BANA's conduct and statements clearly indicated the original agreement had not been modified.

If the original agreement was still in place, then the Plaintiffs were legally obligated to perform as promised. No one argued that BANA had invited the Plaintiffs to apply for the modification which could be rejected. The Plaintiffs never received any notice from BANA that BANA accepted the LMA until March of 2011. It is unclear to the Court that the two year delay could constitute an acceptance nunc pro tunc, but as explained herein, it makes no difference to the Court's analysis.

No issues of fact exist as to whether the Plaintiffs would have failed to make the required payments under any of the purported offers and alleged agreements. The Plaintiffs, admittedly, had no ability to pay and made no attempt to put any payments aside once BANA or other Defendants made a demand for payment. The Plaintiffs also admitted that they entered into different modification plans after the LMA based upon their inability to pay.

The Plaintiffs rely on a theory that their performance was permanently excused by the failure of BANA to accept a single payment under the terms of the LMA. The Plaintiffs also rely on a theory that their performance was excused by the failure of Fay to accept a payment under a modification on

 a subsequent modification. These theories fail under relevant law for several reasons.

If, as alleged, the LMA was effective upon mailing, then the breach occurred in 2009. If as alleged the LMA was effective in 2011, then the breach occurred in 2011. The Plaintiffs were told that BANA would not accept the modified payment in 2009. They understood BANA would not perform under the LMA in October of 2009. They failed to bring an action against BANA until November 7, 2018. The six year statute of limitations in NRS 11.190 would apply. The date of the filing of the LMA had no impact on the date of the breach.

Additionally, if the LMA or subsequent modification was effective, then the Plaintiffs' theory of excuse of performance also fails as contract law requires a non-breaching party to elect a remedy in a reasonable time. As stated in 17B C.J.S. Contracts § 722, the non-breaching party must accept the repudiation and elect a remedy. The non-breaching party must also act promptly and within a reasonable time. The Plaintiffs did nothing in either 2009 or 2011. Restitution to the lenders would also apply if the Plaintiffs had chosen to accept the repudiations and end the agreement.

The theory of excuse put forth by the Plaintiffs also ignores the materiality and order of the performances under the agreement. A lender materially performs by providing the funds requested under the loan. A borrower must then materially perform by making the monthly payments. Further, the theory of excuse of performance may delay the need to perform but it does not discharge the duty to pay once the performance was demanded. Performance could be demanded as the Plaintiffs did not accept the repudiation.

Contract and mortgage law would also require that the Plaintiffs remain ready, willing and able to perform each month. The deposition testimony clearly indicated that the Plaintiffs could not perform under any of the offers and modifications of the original agreement.

The Plaintiffs entered into a bankruptcy after their incomes went down and they had an

unanticipated tax bill. The bankruptcy filing indicates that the Plaintiffs believed they were under the original agreement and represented such to the bankruptcy court. The facts establish that the Plaintiffs did not have the ability to make the payments under any of the offers or alleged agreements. They have failed to pay for over a decade. The Plaintiffs had made no effort to tender the missed payments under any of the agreements.

Additionally, as the Plaintiffs did not act upon the failure of BANA or its successors to accept the payment and repudiate the LMA or modification in a reasonable time, then subsequent agreements and the bankruptcy could act as an intervening event and excuse any breach of not accepting the original LMA payments. The subsequent modifications and agreement to provide a deed in lieu of foreclosure would have excused the original alleged breach.

The failure of the Plaintiffs to repudiate the agreement also allowed BANA or its successors to demand at a later time that the Plaintiffs perform. Since their performance was merely delayed, the Plaintiffs became the breaching party once BANA and its successors made a demand for payment and payment did not occur. The Plaintiffs tendered very few payments over the course of a decade. The Plaintiffs should have offered the payments under the LMA if they believed it was in effect. They could have preserved any rights they believed they had under the LMA by making a tender after receiving the notice of default.

Claim preclusion would also apply. The Plaintiffs are not entitled to switch theories depending upon what court they are in. BANA would be bound as well by any representations made in the bankruptcy proceedings.

Disturbing to the Court, the Plaintiffs seem to believe that they can game the system to avoid repaying the money borrowed and to remain in a house rent free. Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr.'s testimony clearly establishes that the Plaintiffs want more time to continue their free ride. If they have

to abuse a mediation program to get more time then so be it. The Plaintiffs' signatures affirming that they would be bound by the agreement meant nothing. The Plaintiffs admit to engaging in bad faith.

Under *Jones*, the mediated agreement of deed in lieu of foreclosure is enforceable. The Plaintiffs admitted that they chose not to enter into the offered terms. The agreement settled all claims regarding the mortgage. The Plaintiffs have an obligation under the agreement to surrender the property. NRS 40.453 does not apply as argued in other motions.

The foreclosing defendants substantially complied with NRS 107.080 notice requirements. The Plaintiffs were clearly noticed that they were in default and when the foreclosure sale would occur. The fact that they disputed the amount of the default did not create any prejudice to them as they never intended to make a tender of any amount. The notice provided them the opportunity to file an action to stop the foreclosure sale which they then did. They were given an opportunity to file a bond and then perform under the agreement they argued was in effect, but then failed to do so.

Finally, the Court finds that the failure to provide a computation of damages as required by NRCP Rule 16 has not been justified. The Plaintiffs failure to provide the computation cannot be justified by their counsel's belief that to deal with damages at a later point in time is more economical. The epidemic and the Plaintiffs' hectic schedule has no impact on Counsel's determination of damages. The Plaintiffs had over two years to comply with the rule.

The Court also notes that the Plaintiffs were supposed to negotiate in good faith during a settlement conference that was ordered. How they could do so without understanding their damages is perplexing. Is this just more bad faith? The Court believes that the appropriate sanction is to strike all allegations concerning monetary damages from the Complaint as the failure appears to be made in bad faith and in an effort to prolong this matter further.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. Sanctions striking allegations the Plaintiffs have suffered monetary damages are appropriate as the Plaintiffs have not justified their failure to provide a computation of damages pursuant to NRCP Rule 16.1.
- 2. The Plaintiffs are not entitled to partial summary judgment.
- 3. The Defendants are entitled to summary judgment.

#### VI. ORDER

Therefore, based upon the above and good cause appearing, **IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED and ORDERED** that BANA's request for sanctions is **GRANTED**. The Court strikes all allegations in the Complaint that the Plaintiffs have suffered monetary damages.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ADJUDGED and ORDERED that that Plaintiffs' Motion for Partial Summary Judgment is DENIED.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ADJUDGED and ORDERED that the Motions for Summary Judgment filed by BANA, Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, Prof-2013 M4 Legal Trust, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC., are **GRANTED**.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ADJUDGED and ORDERED that BANA's request for NRCP Rule 54(b) certification as a final judgment is **GRANTED**. The Court finds no just reason for the delay.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the hearing on Motions set for July 28, 2021 is VACATED. The Court found the pleadings sufficient to enter an order without argument.

DATED: This 23rd day of June, 2021.

HON. LEON ABERASTURI DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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On July 20, 2021, Breckenridge Property Fund ("Breckenridge") filed a Motion for Attorney Fees and Cost. On August 5, 2021, Plaintiffs filed an Opposition to Breckenridge's Motion for Attorney Fees and Cost. On September 2, 2021, Breckenridge filed a Reply in Support of its Motion for Attorney Fees and Cost.

#### I. FINDINGS OF LAW

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Nevada Law permits an award of attorneys' fees whenever authorized by statute, rule, or contract. See U.S. Design & Const. Corp. v. Int'l Broth. Of Elec. Workers, 118 Nev. 458, 462, 50 P.3d 170, 173 (2002). NRS 18.010 states:

- 1. The compensation of an attorney and counselor for his or her services is governed by agreement, express or implied, which is not restrained by law.
- 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 prevailing party:
  - (a) When the prevailing party has not recovered more than \$20,000; or
- (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 reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. The court shall liberally construe the provisions of this paragraph in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations. It is the intent of the Legislature that the court award attorney's fees pursuant to this paragraph and impose sanctions pursuant to Rule 11 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure in all appropriate situations to punish for and 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 business and providing professional services to the public.
- 3. In awarding attorney's fees, the court may pronounce its decision on the fees at the conclusion of the trial or special proceeding without written motion and with or without presentation of additional evidence.
- 4. Subsections 2 and 3 do not apply to any action arising out of a written instrument or agreement which entitles the prevailing party to an award of reasonable attorney's fees.

NRS 18.010(2) sets forth situations whereby the court may properly award attorneys' fees: when the prevailing party has not recover more than \$20,000 or, 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 reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. NRS 18.010(2).

In Capanna v. Orth, 134 Nev. 888, 895 (2018) the Nevada Supreme Court held:

NRS 18.010(2) (b) allows the district court to award attorney fees to a prevailing party "when the court finds that the claim, counterclaim ... or defense of the opposing party was brought or maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party."

"The court shall liberally construe the provisions of [NRS 18.010(2)(b)] in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations," and "[i]t is the intent of the Legislature that the court award attorney's fees pursuant to [NRS]

18.010(2)(b) ] ... in all appropriate situations to punish for and deter frivolous or vexatious claims and defenses." *Id.* "For purposes of NRS 18.010(2) (b), a claim is frivolous or groundless if there is no credible evidence to support it." *Rodriguez v. Primadonna Co.*, 125 Nev. 578, 588, 216 P.3d 793, 800 (2009).

There must be evidence in the record supporting the proposition that the claim was brought or the defense maintained "without reasonable grounds or to harass the other party." *Kahn v. Morse & Mowbray*, 121 Nev. 464, 479, 117 P.3d 227, 238 (2005). Further, the decision to award attorney fees is within the sound discretion of the district court and will not be overturned absent a manifest abuse of discretion. *Id*.

#### NRS 107.080 states:

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 106.210, 107.0805, 107.085 and 107.086, if any transfer in trust of any estate in real property is made after March 29, 1927, to secure the performance of an obligation or the payment of any debt, a power of sale is hereby conferred upon the trustee to be exercised after a breach of the obligation for which the transfer is security.
  - 2. The power of sale must not be exercised, however, until:
  - (a) In the case of any deed of trust coming into force:
- (1) On or after July 1, 1949, and before July 1, 1957, the grantor, the person who holds the title of record, a beneficiary under a subordinate deed of trust or any other person who has a subordinate lien or encumbrance of record on the property has, for a period of 15 days, computed as prescribed in subsection 3, failed to make good the deficiency in performance or payment; or
- (2) On or after July 1, 1957, the grantor, the person who holds the title of record, a beneficiary under a subordinate deed of trust or any other person who has a subordinate lien or encumbrance of record on the property has, for a period of 35 days, computed as prescribed in subsection 3, failed to make good the deficiency in performance or payment.
- (b) The beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee first executes and causes to be recorded in the office of the recorder of the county wherein the trust property, or some part thereof, is situated a notice of the breach and of the election to sell or cause to be sold the property to satisfy the obligation.
- (c) The beneficiary or its successor in interest or the servicer of the obligation or debt secured by the deed of trust has instructed the trustee to exercise the power of sale with respect to the property.
- (d) Not less than 3 months have elapsed after the recording of the notice or, if the notice includes an affidavit and a certification indicating that, pursuant to NRS 107.130, an election has been made to use the expedited procedure for the exercise of the power of sale with respect to abandoned residential property, not less than 60 days have elapsed after the recording of the notice.
- 3. The 15- or 35-day period provided in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 commences on the first day following the day upon which the notice of default

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and election to sell is recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located and a copy of the notice of default and election to sell is mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested and with postage prepaid to the grantor or, to the person who holds the title of record on the date the notice of default and election to sell is recorded, and, if the property is operated as a facility licensed under chapter 449 of NRS, to the State Board of Health, at their respective addresses, if known, otherwise to the address of the trust property or, if authorized by the parties, delivered by electronic transmission. The notice of default and election to sell must describe the deficiency in performance or payment and may contain a notice of intent to declare the entire unpaid balance due if acceleration is permitted by the obligation secured by the deed of trust, but acceleration must not occur if the deficiency in performance or payment is made good and any costs, fees and expenses incident to the preparation or recordation of the notice and incident to the making good of the deficiency in performance or payment are paid within the time specified in subsection 2.

- 4. The trustee, or other person authorized to make the sale under the terms of the deed of trust, shall, after expiration of the applicable period specified in paragraph (d) of subsection 2 following the recording of the notice of breach and election to sell, and before the making of the sale, give notice of the time and place thereof by recording the notice of sale and by:
- (a) Providing the notice to each trustor, any other person entitled to notice pursuant to this section and, if the property is operated as a facility licensed under chapter 449 of NRS, the State Board of Health, by personal service, by electronic transmission if authorized by the parties or by mailing the notice by registered or certified mail to the last known address of the trustor and any other person entitled to such notice pursuant to this section;
- (b) Posting a similar notice particularly describing the property, for 20 days successively, in a public place in the county where the property is situated; and
- (c) Publishing a copy of the notice three times, once each week for 3 consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the property is situated or, if the property is a time share, by posting a copy of the notice on an Internet website and publishing a statement in a newspaper in the manner required by subsection 3 of NRS 119A.560.
- 5. Every sale made under the provisions of this section and other sections of this chapter vests in the purchaser the title of the grantor and any successors in interest without equity or right of redemption. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a sale made pursuant to this section must be declared void by any court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the sale took place if:
- (a) The trustee or other person authorized to make the sale does not substantially comply with the provisions of this section;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, an action is commenced in the county where the sale took place within 30 days after the date on which the trustee's deed upon sale is recorded pursuant to subsection 10 in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located; and
- (c) A notice of lis pendens providing notice of the pendency of the action is recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county where the sale took place within 5 days after commencement of the action.

- 6. If proper notice is not provided pursuant to subsection 3 or paragraph (a) of subsection 4 to the grantor, to the person who holds the title of record on the date the notice of default and election to sell is recorded, to each trustor or to any other person entitled to such notice, the person who did not receive such proper notice may commence an action pursuant to subsection 5 within 90 days after the date of the sale.
- 7. Upon expiration of the time for commencing an action which is set forth in subsections 5 and 6, any failure to comply with the provisions of this section or any other provision of this chapter does not affect the rights of a bona fide purchaser as described in NRS 111.180.
- 8. If, in an action brought by the grantor or the person who holds title of record in the district court in and for the county in which the real property is located, the court finds that the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee did not comply with any requirement of subsection 2, 3 or 4, the court must award to the grantor or the person who holds title of record:
- (a) Damages of \$5,000 or treble the amount of actual damages, whichever is greater;
- (b) An injunction enjoining the exercise of the power of sale until the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee complies with the requirements of subsections 2, 3 and 4; and
- (c) Reasonable attorney's fees and costs, Ê unless the court finds good cause for a different award. The remedy provided in this subsection is in addition to the remedy provided in subsection 5.
- 9. The sale or assignment of a proprietary lease in a cooperative vests in the purchaser or assignee title to the ownership interest and votes in the cooperative association which accompany the proprietary lease.
- 10. After a sale of property is conducted pursuant to this section, the trustee shall:
- (a) Within 30 days after the date of the sale, record the trustee's deed upon sale in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located; or
- (b) Within 20 days after the date of the sale, deliver the trustee's deed upon sale to the successful bidder. Within 10 days after the date of delivery of the deed by the trustee, the successful bidder shall record the trustee's deed upon sale in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located.
- 11. Within 5 days after recording the trustee's deed upon sale, the trustee or successful bidder, whoever recorded the trustee's deed upon sale pursuant to subsection 10, shall cause a copy of the trustee's deed upon sale to be posted conspicuously on the property. The failure of a trustee or successful bidder to effect the posting required by this subsection does not affect the validity of a sale of the property to a bona fide purchaser for value without knowledge of the failure.
- 12. If the successful bidder fails to record the trustee's deed upon sale pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 10, the successful bidder:
- (a) Is liable in a civil action to any party that is a senior lienholder against the property that is the subject of the sale in a sum of up to \$500 and for reasonable attorney's fees and the costs of bringing the action; and

- (b) Is liable in a civil action for any actual damages caused by the failure to comply with the provisions of subsection 10 and for reasonable attorney's fees and the costs of bringing the action.
- 13. The county recorder shall, in addition to any other fee, at the time of recording a notice of default and election to sell collect:
  - (a) A fee of \$150 for deposit in the State General Fund.
- (b) A fee of \$95 for deposit in the Account for Foreclosure Mediation Assistance, which is hereby created in the State General Fund. The Account must be administered by the Interim Finance Committee and the money in the Account may be expended only for the purpose of:
  - (1) Supporting a program of foreclosure mediation; and
- (2) The development and maintenance of an Internet portal for a program of foreclosure mediation pursuant to subsection 16 of NRS 107.086.
- (c) A fee of \$5 to be paid over to the county treasurer on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding calendar month. The county recorder may direct that 1.5 percent of the fees collected by the county recorder pursuant to this paragraph be transferred into a special account for use by the office of the county recorder. The county treasurer shall remit quarterly to the organization operating the program for legal services that receives the fees charged pursuant to NRS 19.031 for the operation of programs for the indigent all the money received from the county recorder pursuant to this paragraph.
- 14. The fees collected pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 13 must be paid over to the county treasurer by the county recorder on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding calendar month, and, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, must be placed to the credit of the State General Fund or the Account for Foreclosure Mediation Assistance as prescribed pursuant to subsection 13. The county recorder may direct that 1.5 percent of the fees collected by the county recorder be transferred into a special account for use by the office of the county recorder. The county treasurer shall, on or before the 15th day of each month, remit the fees deposited by the county recorder pursuant to this subsection to the State Controller for credit to the State General Fund or the Account as prescribed in subsection 13.
- 15. The beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee who causes to be recorded the notice of default and election to sell shall not charge the grantor or the successor in interest of the grantor any portion of any fee required to be paid pursuant to subsection 13.

The Nevada Supreme Court in *Las Vegas Development Group, LLC v Blaha*, 134 Nev. 252, 256 (2018) held:

NRS 107.080 governs nonjudicial deed-of-trust foreclosure sales and sets forth the substantive requirements and procedures for such sales. Subsection 5(a) states that a sale under "this section may be declared void" if the individual "authorized to make the sale does not substantially comply with the provisions of this section or any applicable provision of NRS 107.086 and 107.087." 2010 Nev. Stat. 26th Spec. Sess., ch. 10, § 31, at 78. Subsection 5(b) requires that such an action be commenced "within 90 days after the date of the sale." *Id.* Subsection 6

allows 120 days to commence an action if proper notice is not given. *Id.* Thus, if the person authorized to conduct the sale fails to substantially comply with NRS 107.086, NRS 107.087, or one of NRS 107.080(5)'s provisions, it can render the sale void. By the statute's plain language, challenges to those violations are subject to the time limitations in subsections 5 and 6. However, the language of NRS 107.80 presumes that the person making this sale is authorized to do so as trustee or as the person designated under the terms of the deed of trust or transfer in trust. In this case, it is alleged that the security interest of the deed of trust was extinguished by the prior HOA foreclosure sale leaving the person to conduct the sale without authority to do so.

According to Blaha, we previously determined that NRS 107.080 applies to all challenges to a nonjudicial foreclosure sale in *Building Energetix Corp. v. EHE, LP,* 129 Nev. 78, 85–86, 294 P.3d 1228, 1234 (2013). We disagree. *Building Energetix* involved a delinquent-tax certificate issued to the county treasurer prior to a nonjudicial foreclosure sale. *Id.* at 79–80, 294 P.3d at 1230. The issue was "whether, consistent with NRS 107.080(5), a trust-deed beneficiary who acquires such property on credit bid at the foreclosure sale can later redeem, or obtain reconveyance of, the property from the county treasurer." *Id.* at 79, 294 P.3d at 1230. Thus, we were not confronted with, nor did we decide, whether NRS 107.080 applies to all challenges to an NRS Chapter 107 nonjudicial foreclosure sale.

Blaha also contends that the application of NRS 107.080(5)–(6) to all claims challenging an NRS Chapter 107 foreclosure sale is consistent with the legislative history of the statute, which indicates that the legislators were concerned about individuals having the ability to reverse a foreclosure sale indefinitely. While that concern was stated at the hearing on the legislation, it was in the context of the statutory violations of NRS 107.080. See Hearing on S.B. 217 Before the Senate Judiciary Comm., 74th Leg. (Nev., March 21, 2007); Hearing on S.B. 217 Before the Assembly Judiciary Comm., 74th Leg. (Nev., May 2, 2007). The legislators did not discuss scenarios where the deed of trust is void. Thus, we conclude that the legislative history supports the plain language of NRS 107.080 and demonstrates that the legislators were not contemplating challenges to a foreclosing entity's authority. See Hearing on S.B. 217 Before the Senate Judiciary Comm., 74th Leg. (Nev., March 21, 2007).

The Nevada Supreme Court in *Brunzell v Golden Gate Nat. Bank, 85 Nev. 345 (1969)*, set forth factors a trial court must consider when evaluating the amount of attorneys' fees requested under NRS 18.010. In *Logan v Abe*, 131 Nev. 260, 267 (2015) the Nevada Supreme Court held:

In determining the amount of fees to award, the [district] court is not limited to one specific approach; its analysis may begin with any method rationally designed to calculate a reasonable amount, so long as the requested amount is reviewed in light of the" *Brunzell* factors. *Haley v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court*, — Nev. ——, 273 P.3d 855, 860 (2012) (internal quotations omitted). While it is preferable for a district court to expressly analyze each factor relating to an award

of attorney fees, express findings on each factor are not necessary for a district court to properly exercise its discretion. <u>Certified Fire Prot., Inc. v. Precision Constr., Inc.</u>,—Nev.——, 283 P.3d 250, 258 (2012).

Costs must be allowed of course to the prevailing party against any adverse party against whom judgment is rendered, in an action for the recovery of real property or a possessory right thereto. NRS, 18,020 states:

- 1. In an action for the recovery of real property or a possessory right thereto.
- 2. In an action to recover the possession of personal property, where the value of the property amounts to more than \$2,500. The value must be determined by the jury, court or master by whom the action is tried.
- 3. In an action for the recovery of money or damages, where the plaintiff seeks to recover more than \$2,500.
- 4. In a special proceeding, except a special proceeding conducted pursuant to NRS 306.040.
- 5. In an action which involves the title or boundaries of real estate, or the legality of any tax, impost, assessment, toll or municipal fine, including the costs accrued in the action if originally commenced in a Justice Court.

#### NRS 18.110 states:

- 1. The party in whose favor judgment is rendered, and who claims costs, must file with the clerk, and serve a copy upon the adverse party, within 5 days after the entry of judgment, or such further time as the court or judge may grant, a memorandum of the items of the costs in the action or proceeding, which memorandum must be verified by the oath of the party, or the party's attorney or agent, or by the clerk of the party's attorney, stating that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief the items are correct, and that the costs have been necessarily incurred in the action or proceeding.
- 2. The party in whose favor judgment is rendered shall be entitled to recover the witness fees, although at the time the party may not actually have paid them. Issuance or service of subpoena shall not be necessary to entitle a prevailing party to tax, as costs, witness fees and mileage, provided that such witnesses be sworn and testify in the cause.
- 3. It shall not be necessary to embody in the memorandum the fees of the clerk, but the clerk shall add the same according to the fees of the clerk fixed by statute.
- 4. Within 3 days after service of a copy of the memorandum, the adverse party may move the court, upon 2 days' notice, to retax and settle the costs, notice of which motion shall be filed and served on the prevailing party claiming costs. Upon the hearing of the motion the court or judge shall settle the costs.

# II. Arguments

# A. Breckenridge

Breckenridge argues that its claims to superior title in this matter were supported by the record and well-founded Nevada law. Breckenridge did not become involved in this matter until it purchased the subject property at the foreclosure sale after the Plaintiffs failed to post the bond required by the Court.

Breckenridge took title to the Property pursuant to NRS 107.080, which states "every sale made under the provisions of this section and other sections of this chapter vests in the purchaser the title of the grantor and any successors in interest without equity or right of redemption." Breckenridge argued that the majority of allegations in the Second Amended Complaint occurred prior to the foreclosure sale, which Breckenridge played no role in. Plaintiffs failed to put forth any evidence to support that they had the ability to pay the underlying obligation and foreclosure was not justified.

Breckenridge argues that the Plaintiffs filed this lawsuit as a last-minute attempt to stave off the foreclosure. They failed to post the required bond, the foreclosure sale occurred, and therefore the Plaintiffs had no claim to superior title over Breckenridge. The Plaintiffs' allegations of wrongful foreclosure after discovery was completed were not and could not have been established or proven by any legal and factual support.

Breckenridge asserts that attorneys' fees are proper under NRS 18.010(2) because the Plaintiffs brought or maintained a claim against Breckenridge without reasonable grounds or to harass the prevailing party because it could not be supported by any credible evidence at trial. Breckenridge argues that the requested fees meet the *Brunzell* factors. Breckenridge asserts that costs must be awarded as the Plaintiffs did not file a motion to re-tax the costs pursuant to NRS 18.110.

#### **B.** Plaintiffs

Plaintiffs argue that their claims were brought upon reasonable grounds and not for the purpose of harassment. Plaintiffs point to this Court's 12/31/18 Order which stated that "Plaintiff is likely to prevail on a Homeowner Bill of Rights claims." Plaintiffs also argued that Breckenridge knew about the underlying litigation prior to purchasing the property at the time of

the foreclosure sale. Without providing any authority, Plaintiffs argued that any award should stay pending an appeal. The Court will not consider a stay without being presented any authority.

Finally, the Court notes that Plaintiffs did not argue that the requested attorneys' fees did not comply with statute or case law.

# III. Issue presented

Did the Plaintiffs bring or maintain their claims against Breckenridge "without reasonable grounds or to harass" Breckenridge?

#### IV. Conclusions of Law

The facts clearly establish that the original action was brought against the foreclosing parties to prevent foreclosure on the property. Breckenridge was brought into the action after the Plaintiffs failed to obtain the preliminary injunction by failing to post the required bond. The evidence brought at the preliminary injunction hearing was in stark contrast to what was brought out in discovery.

NRS 107.080 provides an avenue to set aside a foreclosure sale if the foreclosing party or parties did not substantially comply with the provisions of the statute. Plaintiffs during the injunction hearing raised issues as to whether the foreclosing parties had adequately provided notice of what the deficiency was due based upon allegations of non-performance and intervening agreements. Based upon the limited evidence and case law provided, the Court found that the Plaintiffs had a likelihood of success at this preliminary stage.

The gravamen of Breckenridge's arguments correctly focus upon the Plaintiffs maintaining the action after it was clear that they had no basis to claim that a wrongful foreclosure had occurred or that the foreclosing parties had failed to substantially comply with NRS 107.080. Facts raised in discovery clearly presented a picture that was wholly different than what had been presented to the Court during the preliminary injunction hearing. At the completion of discovery, it was clear that the foreclosing parties had substantially complied with NRS 107.080.

The evidence also established that the Plaintiffs had abused the foreclosure mediation program in a previous action. The Plaintiffs never had the ability or desire to make payments on

the loan obligation. The maintenance of the action appears to the Court as done to prolong the Plaintiffs' ability to live rent free.

This Court has previously commented on how unreasonable Plaintiffs' legal theory that one or two unaccepted payments years ago would excuse the Plaintiffs from making years of mortgage payments. Plaintiffs provided no authority that a lender could not require them to make tender of back payments. Plaintiffs were given a second opportunity to settle the matter even after reneging on the agreement reached during the foreclosure mediation several years prior.

The Plaintiffs provided no legal authority that the failure to have an exact amount owed in the required notices compelled a finding that substantial compliance could not occur. The Court cannot find that the Plaintiffs presented novel legal theories concerning the application of NRS 107.080 or actions concerning wrongful foreclosure. See, e.g. *Rodriguez v. Primadonna Co.*, 125 Nev. 578, 588 (2009). Plaintiffs' claims were maintained without reasonable grounds as to Breckenridge.

The Plaintiffs did not contest the amounts requested for attorneys' fees. The Court reviewed the pleading and finds that Breckenridge has properly supported the amount requested as required under *Brunzell*. The character of the work, the work actually performed, the qualities of the advocacy and the result obtained warrant an award of the amount requested.

Breckenridge also correctly cited to NRS 18.110. The Plaintiffs did not file a motion to retax the costs. The Court thereby orders the costs requested.

Based upon the above and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED and ORDERED that Breckenridge's Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs is GRANTED.

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED** that a Judgment in favor of Breckenridge in the amount of Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty Eight Dollars (\$44,648.00) for attorneys' fees is **AWARDED**.

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that a Judgment in favor of Breckenridge in the amount of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars and One Cent (\$3,788.01) for costs is AWARDED.

DATED: This 18th day of January, 2022.

HON. LEON ABERASTURI DISTRICT JUDGE

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Please take notice that a Permanent Writ of Restitution was entered on the 22nd day of November, 2021, a copy of which is attached hereto.

DATED this 24th day of November, 2021.

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THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT LYON COUNTY, NEVADA

ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR., and VICENTA LINCICOME,

Plaintiff,

SABLES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, as Trustee of the Deed of Trust given by Vicenta Lincicome and dated 5/23/2007; FAY SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and subsidiary of Fay Financial, LLC; PROF-2013-MF LEGAL TITLE TRUST by U.S. BANK, N.A., as Legal Title Trustee; for BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016; NEWREZ LLC dba SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC; 1900 CAPITAL TRUST II, BY U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: MCM-2018-NPL2 and DOES 1-50.,

Defendants.

AND RELATED MATTERS.

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Case No.: 18-CV-01332

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PERMANENT WRIT OF RESTITUTION

THE STATE OF NEVADA TO THE SHERIFF OR CONSTABLE OF LYON COUNT, GREETING.

WHEREAS on October 3, 2019, Defendant in Intervention/Counterclaimant Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC ("Counterclaimant") filed its Intervenor's Counterclaim ("Counterclaim") pursuant to which Counterclaimant asserted, among other things, claims for quiet title and writ of restitution regarding that certain real property at issue located at 70 Riverside Drive, Dayton, Nevada 89403 ("Property");

WHEREAS on March 18, 2021, Counterclaimant filed its Motion for Summary Judgment ("Counterclaimant's MSJ") seeking judgment on all counterclaims;

WHEREAS on June 23, 2021, this Court entered its Order on Breckenridge Motion for Summary Judgment ("Order") pursuant to which it granted the Counterclaimant's MSJ in its entirety;

WHEREAS in the Order this Court made numerous findings of fact and conclusions of law, adopted herein by reference, including but not limited to the findings that Counterclaimant purchased the Property at a proper foreclosure sale and is therefore entitled to summary judgment regarding its claims to title of the Property as against plaintiffs Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr. and Vicenta Lincicome;

WHEREAS on September 9, 2021, Counterclaimant filed a Motion for Entry of Order Granting Permanent Restitution and Payment of Overdue Rents.

WHEREAS on September 14, 2021, Plaintiffs filed and served their Motion for Stay Pending Appeal.

WHEREAS on October 12, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., after further briefing had been filed on the motions filed on October 9, 2021 and September 14, 2021, the Court held a hearing on the two motions.

WHEREAS based on the evidence presented, the Court granted Plaintiff's Motion for Stay Pending Appeal, but required Plaintiffs to post a supersedeas bond of \$140,000.00 to be paid by November 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in order for the stay to be entered.

WHEREAS the court also granted Counterclaimant's request for a permanent writ of restitution and ordered that a permanent writ of restitution should be issued that states it is effective as of November 15, 2021 if no supersedeas bond was posted by November 12, 2021.

WHEREAS pursuant to the Order Counterclaimant should have permanent restitution of the Property effective as of November 15, 2021.

WHEREAS, so long as this writ is delivered to you on or after November 15, 2021 and there has been no supersedeas bond posted with the Court:

YOU ARE THEREFORE COMMANDED to take with you the force of the County, if necessary, and cause the said Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr. and Vicenta Lincicome and any tenants or sub-tenants to be removed from the Property on November 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter and allow the Counterclaimant to have permanent peaceable restitution of the same.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND this 17th day of November, 2021.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Affirmation pursuant to NRS 239B.030: The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document I filed in this court does not contain the social security number of any person 2 3 Respectfully Submitted: HUTCHISON & STEFFEN, PLLC 4 5 6 John T. Steffen (4390) 7 Brenoch R. Wirthlin (10282) Alex R. Velto (14961) 8 10080 West Alta Drive, Suite 200 9 Las Vegas, NV 89145 bwirthlin@hutchlegal.com 10 11 Wedgewood, LLC 12 Office of the General Counsel Casey J. Nelson, Esq. (12259) 13 2320 Potosi Street, Suite 130 Las Vegas, Nevada 89146 14 E-mail: caseynelson@wedgewood-inc.com

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# THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT LYON COUNTY, NEVADA

ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR. and VICENTA LINCICOME,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

SABLES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, as Trustee of the Deed of Trust, given by Vicenta Lincicome and dated 5/23/2007 et al

Defendants.

and all related cases.

Case No.: 18-cv-01332

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NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT/GRANTING MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT FILED BY BANA, PROF-2013 M4 LEGALL TRUST, US BANK AND FAY SERVICING LLC was entered in the above-entitled Court on the 23rd day of June, 2021. A copy of which is attached hereto.

DATED this 29th day of June, 2021.

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# **AFFIRMATION**

#### Pursuant to NRS 239B.03/603A.040

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the foregoing document does not contain any of the following information governed by NRS 239B.030 and NRS 603A.040:

- 1. Social Security Number;
- 2. Driver License Number or Identification Card Number; or
- Account number, credit card number or debit card number, in combination with any
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  financial account.

The term does not include any publically available information that is lawfully made available to the general public.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of WRIGHT, FINLAY & ZAK,

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# IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LYON

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ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME, JR. and VICENTA LINCICOME,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

SABES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, as Trustee of the Deed of Trust given by Vicenta Lincicome and dated 5/23/2007; FAY SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and subsidiary of Fay Financial, LLC; PROF-2013 M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST by U.S. BANK, N.A., as Legal Title Trustee; for BANK OF AMERICAN, N.A.; BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016, A Utah limited liability company; NEWREZ, LLC, d/b/a SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC substituted in for DOE 1; 1900 CAPITAL TRUST II, BY U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, substituted in for DOE 2; MNCM-2018-NPL@, substituted in for DOE 3; and DOES 4-10.

Defendants.

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT/ GRANTING **MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY** JUDGMENT FILED BY BANA, PROF-2013 M4 LEGALL TRUST, US BANK AND FAY SERVICING LLC

# I. STATEMENT OF THE CASE

On March 19, 2021, the Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Partial Summary Judgment. On April 19, 2021, Defendants, Prof-2013M4-Legal Trust, by U.S. Bank, National Association, as Legal Title trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC filed an Opposition. On May 5, 2021,

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Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC joined the Opposition. On May 6, 2021, Plaintiffs filed a Reply.

On March 25, 2021, Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. On the same date Prof-2013 M4 Legal trust, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC, filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. On April 15, 2021, the Plaintiffs filed an Opposition. On May 6, 2021 Prof-2013 M4 Legal trust, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC, filed a Reply. On May 10, 2021 Shellpoint Mortgage filed a Reply.

On March 17, 2021, Bank of America, hereinafter "BANA," filed a Motion for Summary Judgment and request for discovery sanctions. On April 15, 2021, the Plaintiffs filed an Opposition. On May 5, 2021, BANA filed a Reply. Defendant Breckenridge Property Fund 2016, LLC ("Breckenridge") joined in the Motion on March 29, 2021. Defendants Prof-2013 M4-Legal Title Trust, by U.S. Bank, National Association, as legal Title Trustee (U.S. Bank Trust"), Defendant Fay Servicing LLC ("Fay") and Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, LLC ("Shellpoint") joined the Motion on April 19, 2021.

#### II. ISSUE PRESENTED

Should the Court sanction the Plaintiffs for discovery violations?

Should the Court grant the Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment?

Should the Court grant the Defendants' Motions for Summary Judgment?

#### III. SUMMARY OF DECISION

The Court finds that the Plaintiffs violated NRCP Rule 16.1 and sanctions are appropriate.

The Court finds that no genuine material issues of fact exist and Plaintiffs are not entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law.

The Court finds that no genuine material issues of fact exist and the Defendants are entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law.

## IV. PRINCIPLES OF LAW

## A. Standard of Review

NRCP 56(c) requires a court to enter summary judgment in favor of a party when the "pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with affidavits, if any, show that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law. "NRCP 56(c). A genuine issue of material fact exists where the evidence is such that a reasonable jury could return a verdict for the non-moving party. *Posada v. City of Reno*, 109 Nev. 448 (1993).

When reviewing a motion for summary judgment, the evidence and all reasonable inferences drawn from the evidence, must be viewed in a light most favorable to the non-moving party. *Richards v. Republic Silver State Disposal, Inc.*, 122 Nev. 1213 (2006). Summary judgment is appropriate and "shall be rendered forthwith" when the pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate that no "genuine issue as to any material (remains) and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law. *Wood v. Safeway, Inc.*, 106 Nev. 601, 603 (1990).

#### B. Statutes of Limitation

NRS 11.190 states in relevant part:

#### (1) Within 6 years:

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 62B.420 and 176.275, an action upon a judgment or decree of any court of the United States, or of any state or territory within the United States, or the renewal thereof.
- (b) An action upon a contract, obligation or liability founded upon an instrument in writing, except those mentioned in the preceding sections of this chapter.

#### C. Enforceability of FMA Agreement

The Supreme Court held in *Cain v Price*, 134 Nev. 193 195 (2018), that to be "legally enforceable, a contract "must be supported by consideration." In *Jones v SunTrust Mtg., Inc.* 128 Nev.

188, 191 (2012) the Nevada Supreme Court held that "Consideration is the exchange of a promise or performance, bargained for by the parties." The *Jones* Court held:

A party's affirmation of a preexisting duty is generally not adequate consideration to support a new agreement. See Cty. of Clark v. Bonanza No. 1, 96 Nev. 643, 650, 615 P.2d 939, 943 (1980). However, where a party's promise, offered as consideration, differs from that which it already promised, there is sufficient consideration to support the subsequent agreement. 3 Williston on Contracts § 7:41 (4th ed. 2008).

In *Jones*, the Nevada Supreme Court had to determine the validity of a signed agreement resulting from Nevada's Foreclosure Mediation Program. The *Jones* Court held that, "when an agreement is reached as a result of an FMO mediation, the parties sign the agreement, and it otherwise comports with contract principles, the agreement is enforceable under District Court Rule 16."id. District Court Rule 16 states:

No agreement or stipulation between the parties in a cause or their attorneys, in respect to proceedings therein, will be regarded unless the same shall, by consent, be entered in the minutes in the form of an order, or unless the same shall be in writing subscribed by the party against whom the same shall be alleged, or by the party's attorney.

NRS 40.453 states:

Except as otherwise provided in NRS 40.495:

- 1. It is hereby declared by the Legislature to be against public policy for any document relating to the sale of real property to contain any provision whereby a mortgagor or the grantor of a deed of trust or a guarantor or surety of the indebtedness secured thereby, waives any right secured to the person by the laws of this state.
  - 2. A court shall not enforce any such provision.

In Lowe Enterprise Residential Partners, L.P. v Eighth Judicial District Court ex rel. County of Clark, 118 Nev. 92, 104 (2002) the Nevada Supreme Court delved into the legislative history of NRS 40.453. The Court held that a "review of the legislative history reveals that NRS 40.453 was enacted to protect the rights created by Nevada's anti-deficiency legislation, not to protect the right to a jury trial." This statute does not prohibit parties from agreeing to provide a deed in lieu of foreclosure.

D. Claim Preclusion

The Nevada Supreme Court has adopted a three-part test to determine the availability of claim preclusion: "(1) the parties or their privies are the same, (2) the final judgment is valid, and (3) the subsequent action is based on the same claims or any part of them that were or could have been brought in the first case." G.C. Wallace, Inc. v Eighth Judicial District Court, 127 Nev. 701, 706 (2011), citing to Five Star, 124 Nev. at 1054, 194 P.3d at 713 (footnote omitted).

# E. Repudiation/Renunciation/Anticipatory Breach

17B C.J.S. Contracts § 718, Acts constituting renunciation or repudiation, states:

In order that the rule permitting the immediate institution of a suit on the renunciation or repudiation of a contract may apply, the renunciation or repudiation must be a present one. It must also be entire, or total, covering the entire performance to which the contract binds the promisor, or the refusal to perform must be of a covenant going to the whole consideration. Furthermore, the renunciation or repudiation must be absolute or unequivocal. It has also been said that in order to be effective for this purpose, the renunciation or repudiation must be clear, strict, positive, definite, specific, distinct, final, unqualified, or unconditional.

In order to constitute an absolute and unequivocal repudiation, no precise form of words is necessary. Whether an anticipatory repudiation has occurred is determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on the particular language used. The repudiation or renunciation may be by language or act making it futile for the other party to proceed. An intent to repudiate may be expressly asserted or circumstantially manifested by conduct. However, a party's words and acts communicated to the other party, not its intention, should control. Thus, a mere expression of intention not to perform, or not to be bound, is not enough, nor is a mere threat to abandon, or a mere assertion that the party will be unable, or will refuse, to perform the contract. At the same time, a refusal to perform may itself be a repudiation of the contract, in spite of a party's words seeking to reassure the other party of its intent to perform in the future.

17B C.J.S. Contracts § 722, Elections of remedies upon renunciation of executory contract-Acceptance or rejection of renunciation states:

The party injured by an anticipatory breach has an election to accept or reject the refusal of performance. For the doctrine of breach by anticipatory repudiation to be applied, the nonrepudiating party must treat the repudiation as a breach. That is, it must accept and act on it. Moreover, it must also act promptly and within a reasonable time. However, the effect of an anticipatory repudiation is not nullified by the fact that the nonrepudiating party attempts to enforce performance.

The renunciation of a contract by the promisor before the time stipulated for performance is not effective unless such repudiation is unequivocally or affirmatively accepted by the promisee. If the promisee declines to accept the renunciation and continues to insist on the performance of the promise, as it may do, the contract remains in existence for the benefit, and at the risk, of both parties, and is binding on them, and, if anything occurs to discharge it from other causes, the promisor may take advantage of such discharge. Where the contract thus remains in existence, no actionable claim for damages arises until the time for performance expires. Furthermore, a repudiation not treated as an anticipatory breach is immaterial in an action thereafter brought to enforce the contract.

If, after the attempted renunciation by one party to the contract, the other party elects to treat the contract as still binding and to await the time for full performance, it is incumbent on the party making such election to perform such of the obligations as may, in the meantime, fall on it under the terms of the contract.

## F. Tender of Payments

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§ 47:1.Showing of readiness and willingness to perform, 15 Williston on Contracts § 47:1 (4th ed.) states:

A party to a contract who complains that the other party has breached the terms of the contract must prove performance of the contract on his or her own part or a valid and unconditional tender of performance rejected by the other party. Tender of performance in this regard combines readiness, willingness, and ability to perform. In order to be valid, tender of payment on a contract must be: (1) timely; (2) made to the person entitled to payment; (3) unconditional; (4) an offer to pay the amount of money due; and (5) coupled with an actual production of the money or its equivalent. The rules that govern tenders are strict and strictly applied; a tender must be one of full performance and unconditional to be valid; moreover, the party alleging an offer of tender must possess the ability to perform, and the tender must be made in good faith. Unlike the situation where performance by one party is a condition precedent to performance by the other, where conditions are concurrent, the allegation of tender need not be of absolute tender. A tender conditional on contemporaneous performance by the defendant is sufficient and necessary. It has sometimes been said that in such a case, an allegation of readiness and willingness on the part of the plaintiff is sufficient or even that this is not part of the plaintiff's case. However, while in suits for specific performance a different rule prevails in many jurisdictions to maintain an action for legal relief, the plaintiff must not only be ready and willing to perform but also must have manifested this before bringing the action, by some offer of performance to the defendant, for, otherwise, both parties might be ready and willing and each stay at home waiting for the other to come forward. While the situation is possible that each of two parties has a right to specific performance against the other, it is not possible that each shall have a right to damages for a total breach of the contract.

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In Bank of America, N.A. v SFR Investment Pool 1, LLC 134 Nev. 604, 610-11 (2018) the Nevada Supreme Court discussed the obligation of a tendering party. The Supreme Court stated:

Whether a tendering party must pay the amount into court depends on the nature of the proceeding and the statutory and common law of the iurisdiction, See Annotation, Necessity of Keeping Tender Good in Equity, 12 A.L.R. 938 (1921) ("Generally, there is no fixed rule in equity which requires a tender to he kept good in the sense in which that phrase is used at law."); see also Restatement (Third) of Prop.: Mortgages § 6.4 (Am. Law Inst. 1997) ("The tender must he kept good in the sense that the person making the tender must continue at all times to be ready, willing, and able to make the payment."). Where payment into court is not explicitly required, "averment of a readiness and willingness to bring the money into court, and pay the same on the order of the court, is sufficient." Annotation, Necessity of Keeping Tender Good in Equity, 12 A.L.R. 938 (1921). And, "the necessity of keeping a tender good and of paying the money into court has no application to a tender made for the purpose of discharging a mortgage lien." Annotation, Unaccepted Tender as Affecting Lien of Real Estate Mortgage, 93 A.L.R. 12 (1934) (explaining that such a tender would either immediately discharge the mortgage lien or the lien would remain unimpaired by the tender).

(Citations omitted).

If a party seeks to reinstate a loan having alleged a wrongful foreclosure occurred in that the party was not in default, then the party must still allege and prove the party performed and has the ability to tender any amounts in contention and to continue performing. *Turner v Seterus, Inc*, 27 Cal.App 5<sup>th</sup> 516, 530-31 (Ct. App 3rd CA 2018).

# G. Substantial Compliance and NRS 107.080

NRS 107.080 (5) through (8) states:

- 5. Every sale made under the provisions of this section and other sections of this chapter vests in the purchaser the title of the grantor and any successors in interest without equity or right of redemption. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a sale made pursuant to this section must be declared void by any court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the sale took place if:
- (a) The trustee or other person authorized to make the sale does not substantially comply with the provisions of this section;

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, an action is commenced in the county where the sale took place within 30 days after the date on which the trustee's deed upon sale is recorded pursuant to subsection 10 in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located; and

- (c) A notice of lis pendens providing notice of the pendency of the action is recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county where the sale took place within 5 days after commencement of the action.
- 6. If proper notice is not provided pursuant to subsection 3 or paragraph (a) of subsection 4 to the grantor, to the person who holds the title of record on the date the notice of default and election to sell is recorded, to each trustor or to any other person entitled to such notice, the person who did not receive such proper notice may commence an action pursuant to subsection 5 within 90 days after the date of the sale.
- 7. Upon expiration of the time for commencing an action which is set forth in subsections 5 and 6, any failure to comply with the provisions of this section or any other provision of this chapter does not affect the rights of a bona fide purchaser as described in NRS 111.180.
- 8. If, in an action brought by the grantor or the person who holds title of record in the district court in and for the county in which the real property is located, the court finds that the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee did not comply with any requirement of subsection 2, 3 or 4, the court must award to the grantor or the person who holds title of record:
- (a) Damages of \$5,000 or treble the amount of actual damages, whichever is greater;
- (b) An injunction enjoining the exercise of the power of sale until the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee complies with the requirements of subsections 2, 3 and 4; and
- (c) Reasonable attorney's fees and costs, unless the court finds good cause for a different award. The remedy provided in this subsection is in addition to the remedy provided in subsection 5.

In Schleining v Cap One, Inc, 130 Nev. 323, 327 (2014), the Supreme Court held that NRS 107.080 does not require strict adherence. The Court focused upon the "does not substantially comply with" language. In Dayco Funding Corporation v Mona, 134 Nev. 929 (2018) the Nevada Supreme Court held that substantial compliance is found when the title holder "had actual knowledge of the default and the pending foreclosure sale" and "was not prejudiced by the lack of statutory notice." Id. citations omitted.

This Court found one decision which stated that inaccurate numbers regarding a deficiency was not grounds to find that a notice of default was not in substantial compliance. *Kehoe v Aurora Loan Services LLC*, 2010 WL 4286331 (US Dst. Ct D. Nev 2010).

# H. Computation of Damages-NRCP Rule 16.1

NRCP Rule 16.1 (a) (1) (iv) requires an initial disclosure regarding the Plaintiff's computation of damages:

(iv) a computation of each category of damages claimed by the disclosing party--who must make available for inspection and copying as under Rule 34 the documents or other evidentiary material, unless privileged or protected from disclosure, on which each computation is based, including materials bearing on the nature and extent of injuries suffered; ....

In *Pizarro-Ortega v. Cervantes-Lopez*, 133 Nev. 261, 265 (2017), the Nevada Supreme Court held that NRCP Rule 37 (c) (1) "provides the appropriate analytical framework for district courts to employ in determining the consequence..." for a failure to comply with NRCP Rule 16.1. The party in violation must show a "substantial justification" or that the failure is harmless to avoid sanctions that include the exclusion of evidence. Id.

# NRCP Rule 37 (b) (1) states:

(b) Sanctions for Failure to Comply With a Court Order.

- (1) For Not Obeying a Discovery Order. If a party or a party's officer, director, or managing agent or a witness designated under Rule 30(b)(6) or 31(a)(4) fails to obey an order to provide or permit discovery, including an order under Rule 35 or 37(a), the court may issue further just orders that may include the following:
- (A) directing that the matters embraced in the order or other designated facts be taken as established for purposes of the action, as the prevailing party claims;
- (B) prohibiting the disobedient party from supporting or opposing designated claims or defenses, or from introducing designated matters in evidence;
  - (C) striking pleadings in whole or in part;
  - (D) staying further proceedings until the order is obeyed;
  - (E) dismissing the action or proceeding in whole or in part;
  - (F) rendering a default judgment against the disobedient party; or
- (G) treating as contempt of court the failure to obey any order except an order to submit to a physical or mental examination.

#### V. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. In May of 2007, Vicenta Lincicome financed a property known as 70 Riverside Drive, Dayton Nevada 89403 with a loan in the amount of \$381,150.00 secured by a recorded deed. The deed of trust identified Sierra Pacific Mortgage Company, Inc. as the lender and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. "MERS" as the beneficiary and nominee of the lender. Vicenta Lincicome executed the documents that created the deed of trust and note and understood she had a 30-year maturity date.
- On August 15, 2011, MERS recorded an assignment of the deed of trust, transferring the interest in the deed of trust to BANA, Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP.
- 3. On November 25, 2015, BANA recorded an assignment of the deed of trust transferring its interest to U.S. Bank.
- 4. In mid-2008, the Plaintiffs defaulted on the loan making less than ten payments.
- 5. In January 2009, the trustee under the deed of trust at the time recorded a notice of default.
- 6. In July 2009, BANA offered the Plaintiffs a loan modification agreement "LMA." The new loan balance was \$417,198.58. The Plaintiffs were provided a post office box to send payments.
- 7. BANA accepted the first modified payment from the Plaintiffs in person at a BANA branch in Carson City on September 1, 2009. The Plaintiffs attempted to make the second payment at a BANA Branch but it was rejected as BANA's computer system did not recognize the LMA. The Plaintiffs believe the breach of LMA occurred in 2009 and their deposition testimony states they were aware of the breach at that time.

- 8. The Plaintiffs made no other attempts to mail the payments. BANA then notified the Plaintiffs in October of 2009 stating that the loan had not been modified. However, then BANA signed the LMA and recorded it in March of 2011.
- 9. In April of 2010, the Plaintiffs filed for Chapter 13 bankruptcy and listed the debt for the property at \$381,000. The Plaintiffs made no payment at the time of bankruptcy filing or during the bankruptcy. The Plaintiffs did not challenge the underlying obligation.
- 10. BANA offered the Plaintiffs a modification in April of 2012 but the Plaintiffs made no payment on the offer. BANA offered another modification on April 2015 but the loan was service released to Fay Servicing prior to the final payment.
- 11. In January 2015, the Bankruptcy court terminated the automatic stay as to BANA. A final decree was filed by the Bankruptcy Court in July of 2015.
- 12. On November 3, 2017, Sables, as trustee under the deed of trust, recorded a notice of default.
- 13. On December 1, 2017, Vicenta Lincicome filed a petition for foreclosure mediation assistance in the Third Judicial District Court, 17-CV-01346, naming Sables, U.S. Bank and Fay Servicing as interested parties.
- 14. The Mediator's Statement indicates that Vincenta Lincicome was represented by Geoff Giles, Esq. at the Mediation. The Plaintiffs agreed to a Deed in Lieu of Foreclosure. All parties signed the statement on April 3, 2018. The Plaintiffs had the opportunity to make three payments of \$2462.30 as an offered trial period plan. The payments had to be made on April 1, 2018, May 1, 2018 and June 1, 2018.
- 15. The Plaintiffs decided not to make the payments. The Plaintiffs did not provide the deed in lieu of foreclosure. A certificate for foreclosure was issued.

- 16. The Plaintiffs did not place the required monthly payments in a bank account or escrow account. Plaintiffs spent all of their income on either items. Plaintiffs do not have sufficient funds to pay off what is owed under any theory as to what instrument controls the computation of what is owed.
- 17. In depositions attached to the Motion for Summary Judgment, the Plaintiffs admitted that they could not afford to make payments on the mortgage. The Plaintiffs have never averred to the Court that they are ready, willing, and able to perform on the original mortgage or subsequent modifications.
- 18. A Notice of Default and Notice of Sale was filed against the subject property.
- 19. On November 7, 2018, the Plaintiffs filed a complaint for injunctive relief, contractual claims and declaratory relief regarding the foreclosure sale of the subject property.
- 20. On November 8, 2018, the Plaintiffs recorded a lis pendens on the subject property and then filed an Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order, Preliminary Injunction and Permanent Injunction with the Court.
- 21. On December 31, 2018, the Court entered an order enjoining the foreclosure sale if the Plaintiffs posted a bond in the amount of \$172,610.67 and additional security in the amount of \$2,105.10 per month thereafter. The Plaintiffs did not file the bond.
- 22. The foreclosure sale went forward on January 4, 2019, and Breckenridge purchased the property for \$294,000.01.
- 23. On January 25, 2019, the Trustees Deed Upon Sale confirming Breckenridge's purchase of the subject property was recorded.

#### **ANALYSIS**

The gravamen of the Plaintiffs' causes of action is the alleged breach of the 2009 Loan

Modification Agreement by Defendant BANA. The Plaintiffs allege that Vincenta Lincicome executed and mailed the application in July of 2009. The Court infers from these allegations that the Plaintiffs believe that the mailing of the application constituted an acceptance and the LMA was from that point on a binding contract between the parties.

After mailing the forms, BANA accepted a payment and informed the Plaintiffs that they would investigate whether the LMA was accepted. In October of 2009, the Plaintiffs received a mortgage statement indicating that BANA had not accepted the LMA and was using the terms of the original agreement. From these alleged facts, the Court cannot find an offer and acceptance of the LMA had occurred. BANA's conduct and statements clearly indicated the original agreement had not been modified.

If the original agreement was still in place, then the Plaintiffs were legally obligated to perform as promised. No one argued that BANA had invited the Plaintiffs to apply for the modification which could be rejected. The Plaintiffs never received any notice from BANA that BANA accepted the LMA until March of 2011. It is unclear to the Court that the two year delay could constitute an acceptance nunc pro tune, but as explained herein, it makes no difference to the Court's analysis.

No issues of fact exist as to whether the Plaintiffs would have failed to make the required payments under any of the purported offers and alleged agreements. The Plaintiffs, admittedly, had no ability to pay and made no attempt to put any payments aside once BANA or other Defendants made a demand for payment. The Plaintiffs also admitted that they entered into different modification plans after the LMA based upon their inability to pay.

The Plaintiffs rely on a theory that their performance was permanently excused by the failure of BANA to accept a single payment under the terms of the LMA. The Plaintiffs also rely on a theory that their performance was excused by the failure of Fay to accept a payment under a modification on

a subsequent modification. These theories fail under relevant law for several reasons.

If, as alleged, the LMA was effective upon mailing, then the breach occurred in 2009. If as alleged the LMA was effective in 2011, then the breach occurred in 2011. The Plaintiffs were told that BANA would not accept the modified payment in 2009. They understood BANA would not perform under the LMA in October of 2009. They failed to bring an action against BANA until November 7, 2018. The six year statute of limitations in NRS 11.190 would apply. The date of the filing of the LMA had no impact on the date of the breach.

Additionally, if the LMA or subsequent modification was effective, then the Plaintiffs' theory of excuse of performance also fails as contract law requires a non-breaching party to elect a remedy in a reasonable time. As stated in 17B C.J.S. Contracts § 722, the non-breaching party must accept the repudiation and elect a remedy. The non-breaching party must also act promptly and within a reasonable time. The Plaintiffs did nothing in either 2009 or 2011. Restitution to the lenders would also apply if the Plaintiffs had chosen to accept the repudiations and end the agreement.

The theory of excuse put forth by the Plaintiffs also ignores the materiality and order of the performances under the agreement. A lender materially performs by providing the funds requested under the loan. A borrower must then materially perform by making the monthly payments. Further, the theory of excuse of performance may delay the need to perform but it does not discharge the duty to pay once the performance was demanded. Performance could be demanded as the Plaintiffs did not accept the repudiation.

Contract and mortgage law would also require that the Plaintiffs remain ready, willing and able to perform each month. The deposition testimony clearly indicated that the Plaintiffs could not perform under any of the offers and modifications of the original agreement.

The Plaintiffs entered into a bankruptcy after their incomes went down and they had an

unanticipated tax bill. The bankruptcy filing indicates that the Plaintiffs believed they were under the original agreement and represented such to the bankruptcy court. The facts establish that the Plaintiffs did not have the ability to make the payments under any of the offers or alleged agreements. They have failed to pay for over a decade. The Plaintiffs had made no effort to tender the missed payments under any of the agreements.

Additionally, as the Plaintiffs did not act upon the failure of BANA or its successors to accept the payment and repudiate the LMA or modification in a reasonable time, then subsequent agreements and the bankruptcy could act as an intervening event and excuse any breach of not accepting the original LMA payments. The subsequent modifications and agreement to provide a deed in lieu of foreclosure would have excused the original alleged breach.

The failure of the Plaintiffs to repudiate the agreement also allowed BANA or its successors to demand at a later time that the Plaintiffs perform. Since their performance was merely delayed, the Plaintiffs became the breaching party once BANA and its successors made a demand for payment and payment did not occur. The Plaintiffs tendered very few payments over the course of a decade. The Plaintiffs should have offered the payments under the LMA if they believed it was in effect. They could have preserved any rights they believed they had under the LMA by making a tender after receiving the notice of default.

Claim preclusion would also apply. The Plaintiffs are not entitled to switch theories depending upon what court they are in. BANA would be bound as well by any representations made in the bankruptcy proceedings.

Disturbing to the Court, the Plaintiffs seem to believe that they can game the system to avoid repaying the money borrowed and to remain in a house rent free. Albert Ellis Lincicome, Jr.'s testimony clearly establishes that the Plaintiffs want more time to continue their free ride. If they have

to abuse a mediation program to get more time then so be it. The Plaintiffs' signatures affirming that they would be bound by the agreement meant nothing. The Plaintiffs admit to engaging in bad faith.

Under *Jones*, the mediated agreement of deed in lieu of foreclosure is enforceable. The Plaintiffs admitted that they chose not to enter into the offered terms. The agreement settled all claims regarding the mortgage. The Plaintiffs have an obligation under the agreement to surrender the property. NRS 40.453 does not apply as argued in other motions.

The foreclosing defendants substantially complied with NRS 107.080 notice requirements. The Plaintiffs were clearly noticed that they were in default and when the foreclosure sale would occur. The fact that they disputed the amount of the default did not create any prejudice to them as they never intended to make a tender of any amount. The notice provided them the opportunity to file an action to stop the foreclosure sale which they then did. They were given an opportunity to file a bond and then perform under the agreement they argued was in effect, but then failed to do so.

Finally, the Court finds that the failure to provide a computation of damages as required by NRCP Rule 16 has not been justified. The Plaintiffs failure to provide the computation cannot be justified by their counsel's belief that to deal with damages at a later point in time is more economical. The epidemic and the Plaintiffs' hectic schedule has no impact on Counsel's determination of damages. The Plaintiffs had over two years to comply with the rule.

The Court also notes that the Plaintiffs were supposed to negotiate in good faith during a settlement conference that was ordered. How they could do so without understanding their damages is perplexing. Is this just more bad faith? The Court believes that the appropriate sanction is to strike all allegations concerning monetary damages from the Complaint as the failure appears to be made in bad faith and in an effort to prolong this matter further.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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- Sanctions striking allegations the Plaintiffs have suffered monetary damages are appropriate as the Plaintiffs have not justified their failure to provide a computation of damages pursuant to NRCP Rule 16.1.
- 2. The Plaintiffs are not entitled to partial summary judgment.
- 3. The Defendants are entitled to summary judgment.

#### VI. ORDER

Therefore, based upon the above and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED and ORDERED that BANA's request for sanctions is GRANTED. The Court strikes all allegations in the Complaint that the Plaintiffs have suffered monetary damages.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ADJUDGED and ORDERED that that Plaintiffs' Motion for Partial Summary Judgment is DENIED.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ADJUDGED and ORDERED that the Motions for Summary Judgment filed by BANA, Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, Prof-2013 M4 Legal Trust, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Trustee ("U.S. Bank Trust") and Fay Servicing LLC., are GRANTED.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ADJUDGED and ORDERED that BANA's request for NRCP Rule 54(b) certification as a final judgment is **GRANTED**. The Court finds no just reason for the delay.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the hearing on Motions set for July 28, 2021 is VACATED. The Court found the pleadings sufficient to enter an order without argument.

DATED: This 23rd day of June, 2021.

HON. LEON ABERASTURI DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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Please take notice that an Order on Attorney's Fees and Costs was entered on the 19th day of January, 2022, a copy of which is attached hereto.

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Attorney Fees and Cost. On August 5, 2021, Plaintiffs filed an Opposition to Breckenridge's Motion for Attorney Fees and Cost. On September 2, 2021, Breckenridge filed a Reply in Support of its Motion for Attorney Fees and Cost.

#### I. FINDINGS OF LAW

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Nevada Law permits an award of attorneys' fees whenever authorized by statute, rule, or contract. See U.S. Design & Const. Corp. v. Int'l Broth. Of Elec. Workers, 118 Nev. 458, 462, 50 P.3d 170, 173 (2002). NRS 18.010 states:

- 1. The compensation of an attorney and counselor for his or her services is governed by agreement, express or implied, which is not restrained by law.
- 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 prevailing party:
  - (a) When the prevailing party has not recovered more than \$20,000; or
- (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 reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. The court shall liberally construe the provisions of this paragraph in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations. It is the intent of the Legislature that the court award attorney's fees pursuant to this paragraph and impose sanctions pursuant to Rule 11 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure in all appropriate situations to punish for and 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 business and providing professional services to the public.
- 3. In awarding attorney's fees, the court may pronounce its decision on the fees at the conclusion of the trial or special proceeding without written motion and with or without presentation of additional evidence.
- 4. Subsections 2 and 3 do not apply to any action arising out of a written instrument or agreement which entitles the prevailing party to an award of reasonable attorney's fees.

NRS 18.010(2) sets forth situations whereby the court may properly award attorneys' fees: when the prevailing party has not recover more than \$20,000 or, 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 reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. NRS 18.010(2).

In Capanna v. Orth, 134 Nev. 888, 895 (2018) the Nevada Supreme Court held:

NRS 18.010(2) (b) allows the district court to award attorney fees to a prevailing party "when the court finds that the claim, counterclaim ... or defense of the opposing party was brought or maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party."

"The court shall liberally construe the provisions of [NRS 18.010(2)(b)] in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations," and "[i]t is the intent of the Legislature that the court award attorney's fees pursuant to [NRS]

18.010(2)(b) ] ... in all appropriate situations to punish for and deter frivolous or vexatious claims and defenses." *Id.* "For purposes of NRS 18.010(2) (b), a claim is frivolous or groundless if there is no credible evidence to support it." *Rodriguez v. Primadonna Co.*, 125 Nev. 578, 588, 216 P.3d 793, 800 (2009).

There must be evidence in the record supporting the proposition that the claim was brought or the defense maintained "without reasonable grounds or to harass the other party." Kahn v. Morse & Mowbray, 121 Nev. 464, 479, 117 P.3d 227, 238 (2005). Further, the decision to award attorney fees is within the sound discretion of the district court and will not be overturned absent a manifest abuse of discretion. *Id*.

#### NRS 107.080 states:

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 106.210, 107.0805, 107.085 and 107.086, if any transfer in trust of any estate in real property is made after March 29, 1927, to secure the performance of an obligation or the payment of any debt, a power of sale is hereby conferred upon the trustee to be exercised after a breach of the obligation for which the transfer is security.
  - 2. The power of sale must not be exercised, however, until:
  - (a) In the case of any deed of trust coming into force:
- (1) On or after July 1, 1949, and before July 1, 1957, the grantor, the person who holds the title of record, a beneficiary under a subordinate deed of trust or any other person who has a subordinate lien or encumbrance of record on the property has, for a period of 15 days, computed as prescribed in subsection 3, failed to make good the deficiency in performance or payment; or
- (2) On or after July 1, 1957, the grantor, the person who holds the title of record, a beneficiary under a subordinate deed of trust or any other person who has a subordinate lien or encumbrance of record on the property has, for a period of 35 days, computed as prescribed in subsection 3, failed to make good the deficiency in performance or payment.
- (b) The beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee first executes and causes to be recorded in the office of the recorder of the county wherein the trust property, or some part thereof, is situated a notice of the breach and of the election to sell or cause to be sold the property to satisfy the obligation.
- (c) The beneficiary or its successor in interest or the servicer of the obligation or debt secured by the deed of trust has instructed the trustee to exercise the power of sale with respect to the property.
- (d) Not less than 3 months have elapsed after the recording of the notice or, if the notice includes an affidavit and a certification indicating that, pursuant to NRS 107.130, an election has been made to use the expedited procedure for the exercise of the power of sale with respect to abandoned residential property, not less than 60 days have elapsed after the recording of the notice.
- 3. The 15- or 35-day period provided in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 commences on the first day following the day upon which the notice of default

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and election to sell is recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located and a copy of the notice of default and election to sell is mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested and with postage prepaid to the grantor or, to the person who holds the title of record on the date the notice of default and election to sell is recorded, and, if the property is operated as a facility licensed under chapter 449 of NRS, to the State Board of Health, at their respective addresses, if known, otherwise to the address of the trust property or, if authorized by the parties, delivered by electronic transmission. The notice of default and election to sell must describe the deficiency in performance or payment and may contain a notice of intent to declare the entire unpaid balance due if acceleration is permitted by the obligation secured by the deed of trust, but acceleration must not occur if the deficiency in performance or payment is made good and any costs, fees and expenses incident to the preparation or recordation of the notice and incident to the making good of the deficiency in performance or payment are paid within the time specified in subsection 2.

- 4. The trustee, or other person authorized to make the sale under the terms of the deed of trust, shall, after expiration of the applicable period specified in paragraph (d) of subsection 2 following the recording of the notice of breach and election to sell, and before the making of the sale, give notice of the time and place thereof by recording the notice of sale and by:
- (a) Providing the notice to each trustor, any other person entitled to notice pursuant to this section and, if the property is operated as a facility licensed under chapter 449 of NRS, the State Board of Health, by personal service, by electronic transmission if authorized by the parties or by mailing the notice by registered or certified mail to the last known address of the trustor and any other person entitled to such notice pursuant to this section;
- (b) Posting a similar notice particularly describing the property, for 20 days successively, in a public place in the county where the property is situated; and
- (c) Publishing a copy of the notice three times, once each week for 3 consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the property is situated or, if the property is a time share, by posting a copy of the notice on an Internet website and publishing a statement in a newspaper in the manner required by subsection 3 of NRS 119A.560.
- 5. Every sale made under the provisions of this section and other sections of this chapter vests in the purchaser the title of the grantor and any successors in interest without equity or right of redemption. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a sale made pursuant to this section must be declared void by any court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the sale took place if:
- (a) The trustee or other person authorized to make the sale does not substantially comply with the provisions of this section;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, an action is commenced in the county where the sale took place within 30 days after the date on which the trustee's deed upon sale is recorded pursuant to subsection 10 in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located; and
- (c) A notice of lis pendens providing notice of the pendency of the action is recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county where the sale took place within 5 days after commencement of the action.

- 6. If proper notice is not provided pursuant to subsection 3 or paragraph (a) of subsection 4 to the grantor, to the person who holds the title of record on the date the notice of default and election to sell is recorded, to each trustor or to any other person entitled to such notice, the person who did not receive such proper notice may commence an action pursuant to subsection 5 within 90 days after the date of the sale.
- 7. Upon expiration of the time for commencing an action which is set forth in subsections 5 and 6, any failure to comply with the provisions of this section or any other provision of this chapter does not affect the rights of a bona fide purchaser as described in NRS 111.180.
- 8. If, in an action brought by the grantor or the person who holds title of record in the district court in and for the county in which the real property is located, the court finds that the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee did not comply with any requirement of subsection 2, 3 or 4, the court must award to the grantor or the person who holds title of record:
- (a) Damages of \$5,000 or treble the amount of actual damages, whichever is greater;
- (b) An injunction enjoining the exercise of the power of sale until the beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee complies with the requirements of subsections 2, 3 and 4; and
- (c) Reasonable attorney's fees and costs, Ê unless the court finds good cause for a different award. The remedy provided in this subsection is in addition to the remedy provided in subsection 5.
- 9. The sale or assignment of a proprietary lease in a cooperative vests in the purchaser or assignee title to the ownership interest and votes in the cooperative association which accompany the proprietary lease.
- 10. After a sale of property is conducted pursuant to this section, the trustee shall:
- (a) Within 30 days after the date of the sale, record the trustee's deed upon sale in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located; or
- (b) Within 20 days after the date of the sale, deliver the trustee's deed upon sale to the successful bidder. Within 10 days after the date of delivery of the deed by the trustee, the successful bidder shall record the trustee's deed upon sale in the office of the county recorder of the county in which the property is located.
- 11. Within 5 days after recording the trustee's deed upon sale, the trustee or successful bidder, whoever recorded the trustee's deed upon sale pursuant to subsection 10, shall cause a copy of the trustee's deed upon sale to be posted conspicuously on the property. The failure of a trustee or successful bidder to effect the posting required by this subsection does not affect the validity of a sale of the property to a bona fide purchaser for value without knowledge of the failure.
- 12. If the successful bidder fails to record the trustee's deed upon sale pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 10, the successful bidder:
- (a) Is liable in a civil action to any party that is a senior lienholder against the property that is the subject of the sale in a sum of up to \$500 and for reasonable attorney's fees and the costs of bringing the action; and

- (b) Is liable in a civil action for any actual damages caused by the failure to comply with the provisions of subsection 10 and for reasonable attorney's fees and the costs of bringing the action.
- 13. The county recorder shall, in addition to any other fee, at the time of recording a notice of default and election to sell collect:
  - (a) A fee of \$150 for deposit in the State General Fund.
- (b) A fee of \$95 for deposit in the Account for Foreclosure Mediation Assistance, which is hereby created in the State General Fund. The Account must be administered by the Interim Finance Committee and the money in the Account may be expended only for the purpose of:
  - (1) Supporting a program of foreclosure mediation; and
- (2) The development and maintenance of an Internet portal for a program of foreclosure mediation pursuant to subsection 16 of NRS 107.086.
- (c) A fee of \$5 to be paid over to the county treasurer on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding calendar month. The county recorder may direct that 1.5 percent of the fees collected by the county recorder pursuant to this paragraph be transferred into a special account for use by the office of the county recorder. The county treasurer shall remit quarterly to the organization operating the program for legal services that receives the fees charged pursuant to NRS 19.031 for the operation of programs for the indigent all the money received from the county recorder pursuant to this paragraph.
- 14. The fees collected pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 13 must be paid over to the county treasurer by the county recorder on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding calendar month, and, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, must be placed to the credit of the State General Fund or the Account for Foreclosure Mediation Assistance as prescribed pursuant to subsection 13. The county recorder may direct that 1.5 percent of the fees collected by the county recorder be transferred into a special account for use by the office of the county recorder. The county treasurer shall, on or before the 15th day of each month, remit the fees deposited by the county recorder pursuant to this subsection to the State Controller for credit to the State General Fund or the Account as prescribed in subsection 13.
- 15. The beneficiary, the successor in interest of the beneficiary or the trustee who causes to be recorded the notice of default and election to sell shall not charge the grantor or the successor in interest of the grantor any portion of any fee required to be paid pursuant to subsection 13.

The Nevada Supreme Court in Las Vegas Development Group, LLC v Blaha, 134 Nev. 252, 256 (2018) held:

NRS 107.080 governs nonjudicial deed-of-trust foreclosure sales and sets forth the substantive requirements and procedures for such sales. Subsection 5(a) states that a sale under "this section may be declared void" if the individual "authorized to make the sale does not substantially comply with the provisions of this section or any applicable provision of NRS 107.086 and 107.087." 2010 Nev. Stat. 26th Spec. Sess., ch. 10, § 31, at 78. Subsection 5(b) requires that such an action be commenced "within 90 days after the date of the sale." *Id.* Subsection 6

allows 120 days to commence an action if proper notice is not given. *Id.* Thus, if the person authorized to conduct the sale fails to substantially comply with NRS 107.086, NRS 107.087, or one of NRS 107.080(5)'s provisions, it can render the sale void. By the statute's plain language, challenges to those violations are subject to the time limitations in subsections 5 and 6. However, the language of NRS 107.80 presumes that the person making this sale is authorized to do so as trustee or as the person designated under the terms of the deed of trust or transfer in trust. In this case, it is alleged that the security interest of the deed of trust was extinguished by the prior HOA foreclosure sale leaving the person to conduct the sale without authority to do so.

According to Blaha, we previously determined that NRS 107.080 applies to all challenges to a nonjudicial foreclosure sale in *Building Energetix Corp. v. EHE, LP,* 129 Nev. 78, 85–86, 294 P.3d 1228, 1234 (2013). We disagree. *Building Energetix* involved a delinquent-tax certificate issued to the county treasurer prior to a nonjudicial foreclosure sale. *Id.* at 79–80, 294 P.3d at 1230. The issue was "whether, consistent with NRS 107.080(5), a trust-deed beneficiary who acquires such property on credit bid at the foreclosure sale can later redeem, or obtain reconveyance of, the property from the county treasurer." *Id.* at 79, 294 P.3d at 1230. Thus, we were not confronted with, nor did we decide, whether NRS 107.080 applies to all challenges to an NRS Chapter 107 nonjudicial foreclosure sale.

Blaha also contends that the application of NRS 107.080(5)–(6) to all claims challenging an NRS Chapter 107 foreclosure sale is consistent with the legislative history of the statute, which indicates that the legislators were concerned about individuals having the ability to reverse a foreclosure sale indefinitely. While that concern was stated at the hearing on the legislation, it was in the context of the statutory violations of NRS 107.080. See Hearing on S.B. 217 Before the Senate Judiciary Comm., 74th Leg. (Nev., March 21, 2007); Hearing on S.B. 217 Before the Assembly Judiciary Comm., 74th Leg. (Nev., May 2, 2007). The legislators did not discuss scenarios where the deed of trust is void. Thus, we conclude that the legislative history supports the plain language of NRS 107.080 and demonstrates that the legislators were not contemplating challenges to a foreclosing entity's authority. See Hearing on S.B. 217 Before the Senate Judiciary Comm., 74th Leg. (Nev., March 21, 2007).

The Nevada Supreme Court in *Brunzell v Golden Gate Nat. Bank, 85 Nev. 345 (1969)*, set forth factors a trial court must consider when evaluating the amount of attorneys' fees requested under NRS 18.010. In *Logan v Abe,* 131 Nev. 260, 267 (2015) the Nevada Supreme Court held:

In determining the amount of fees to award, the [district] court is not limited to one specific approach; its analysis may begin with any method rationally designed to calculate a reasonable amount, so long as the requested amount is reviewed in light of the" Brunzell factors. Haley v. Eighth Judicial Dist. Court, — Nev. ——, 273 P.3d 855, 860 (2012) (internal quotations omitted). While it is preferable for a district court to expressly analyze each factor relating to an award

of attorney fees, express findings on each factor are not necessary for a district court to properly exercise its discretion. <u>Certified Fire Prot., Inc. v. Precision Constr., Inc.</u>,—Nev.——, 283 P.3d 250, 258 (2012).

Costs must be allowed of course to the prevailing party against any adverse party against whom judgment is rendered, in an action for the recovery of real property or a possessory right thereto. NRS, 18,020 states:

- 1. In an action for the recovery of real property or a possessory right thereto.
- 2. In an action to recover the possession of personal property, where the value of the property amounts to more than \$2,500. The value must be determined by the jury, court or master by whom the action is tried.
- 3. In an action for the recovery of money or damages, where the plaintiff seeks to recover more than \$2,500.
- 4. In a special proceeding, except a special proceeding conducted pursuant to NRS 306.040.
- 5. In an action which involves the title or boundaries of real estate, or the legality of any tax, impost, assessment, toll or municipal fine, including the costs accrued in the action if originally commenced in a Justice Court.

### NRS 18.110 states:

- 1. The party in whose favor judgment is rendered, and who claims costs, must file with the clerk, and serve a copy upon the adverse party, within 5 days after the entry of judgment, or such further time as the court or judge may grant, a memorandum of the items of the costs in the action or proceeding, which memorandum must be verified by the oath of the party, or the party's attorney or agent, or by the clerk of the party's attorney, stating that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief the items are correct, and that the costs have been necessarily incurred in the action or proceeding.
- 2. The party in whose favor judgment is rendered shall be entitled to recover the witness fees, although at the time the party may not actually have paid them. Issuance or service of subpoena shall not be necessary to entitle a prevailing party to tax, as costs, witness fees and mileage, provided that such witnesses be sworn and testify in the cause.
- 3. It shall not be necessary to embody in the memorandum the fees of the clerk, but the clerk shall add the same according to the fees of the clerk fixed by statute.
- 4. Within 3 days after service of a copy of the memorandum, the adverse party may move the court, upon 2 days' notice, to retax and settle the costs, notice of which motion shall be filed and served on the prevailing party claiming costs. Upon the hearing of the motion the court or judge shall settle the costs.

## II. Arguments

### A. Breckenridge

Breckenridge argues that its claims to superior title in this matter were supported by the record and well-founded Nevada law. Breckenridge did not become involved in this matter until it purchased the subject property at the foreclosure sale after the Plaintiffs failed to post the bond required by the Court.

Breckenridge took title to the Property pursuant to NRS 107.080, which states "every sale made under the provisions of this section and other sections of this chapter vests in the purchaser the title of the grantor and any successors in interest without equity or right of redemption." Breckenridge argued that the majority of allegations in the Second Amended Complaint occurred prior to the foreclosure sale, which Breckenridge played no role in. Plaintiffs failed to put forth any evidence to support that they had the ability to pay the underlying obligation and foreclosure was not justified.

Breckenridge argues that the Plaintiffs filed this lawsuit as a last-minute attempt to stave off the foreclosure. They failed to post the required bond, the foreclosure sale occurred, and therefore the Plaintiffs had no claim to superior title over Breckenridge. The Plaintiffs' allegations of wrongful foreclosure after discovery was completed were not and could not have been established or proven by any legal and factual support.

Breckenridge asserts that attorneys' fees are proper under NRS 18.010(2) because the Plaintiffs brought or maintained a claim against Breckenridge without reasonable grounds or to harass the prevailing party because it could not be supported by any credible evidence at trial. Breckenridge argues that the requested fees meet the *Brunzell* factors. Breckenridge asserts that costs must be awarded as the Plaintiffs did not file a motion to re-tax the costs pursuant to NRS 18.110.

#### B. Plaintiffs

Plaintiffs argue that their claims were brought upon reasonable grounds and not for the purpose of harassment. Plaintiffs point to this Court's 12/31/18 Order which stated that "Plaintiff is likely to prevail on a Homeowner Bill of Rights claims." Plaintiffs also argued that Breckenridge knew about the underlying litigation prior to purchasing the property at the time of

the foreclosure sale. Without providing any authority, Plaintiffs argued that any award should stay pending an appeal. The Court will not consider a stay without being presented any authority.

Finally, the Court notes that Plaintiffs did not argue that the requested attorneys' fees did not comply with statute or case law.

## III. Issue presented

Did the Plaintiffs bring or maintain their claims against Breckenridge "without reasonable grounds or to harass" Breckenridge?

### IV. Conclusions of Law

The facts clearly establish that the original action was brought against the foreclosing parties to prevent foreclosure on the property. Breckenridge was brought into the action after the Plaintiffs failed to obtain the preliminary injunction by failing to post the required bond. The evidence brought at the preliminary injunction hearing was in stark contrast to what was brought out in discovery.

NRS 107.080 provides an avenue to set aside a foreclosure sale if the foreclosing party or parties did not substantially comply with the provisions of the statute. Plaintiffs during the injunction hearing raised issues as to whether the foreclosing parties had adequately provided notice of what the deficiency was due based upon allegations of non-performance and intervening agreements. Based upon the limited evidence and case law provided, the Court found that the Plaintiffs had a likelihood of success at this preliminary stage.

The gravamen of Breckenridge's arguments correctly focus upon the Plaintiffs maintaining the action after it was clear that they had no basis to claim that a wrongful foreclosure had occurred or that the foreclosing parties had failed to substantially comply with NRS 107.080. Facts raised in discovery clearly presented a picture that was wholly different than what had been presented to the Court during the preliminary injunction hearing. At the completion of discovery, it was clear that the foreclosing parties had substantially complied with NRS 107.080.

The evidence also established that the Plaintiffs had abused the foreclosure mediation program in a previous action. The Plaintiffs never had the ability or desire to make payments on

the loan obligation. The maintenance of the action appears to the Court as done to prolong the Plaintiffs' ability to live rent free.

This Court has previously commented on how unreasonable Plaintiffs' legal theory that one or two unaccepted payments years ago would excuse the Plaintiffs from making years of mortgage payments. Plaintiffs provided no authority that a lender could not require them to make tender of back payments. Plaintiffs were given a second opportunity to settle the matter even after reneging on the agreement reached during the foreclosure mediation several years prior.

The Plaintiffs provided no legal authority that the failure to have an exact amount owed in the required notices compelled a finding that substantial compliance could not occur. The Court cannot find that the Plaintiffs presented novel legal theories concerning the application of NRS 107.080 or actions concerning wrongful foreclosure. See, e.g. *Rodriguez v. Primadonna Co.*, 125 Nev. 578, 588 (2009). Plaintiffs' claims were maintained without reasonable grounds as to Breckenridge.

The Plaintiffs did not contest the amounts requested for attorneys' fees. The Court reviewed the pleading and finds that Breckenridge has properly supported the amount requested as required under *Brunzell*. The character of the work, the work actually performed, the qualities of the advocacy and the result obtained warrant an award of the amount requested.

Breckenridge also correctly cited to NRS 18.110. The Plaintiffs did not file a motion to retax the costs. The Court thereby orders the costs requested.

Based upon the above and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED and ORDERED that Breckenridge's Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs is GRANTED.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that a Judgment in favor of Breckenridge in the amount of Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty Eight Dollars (\$44,648.00) for attorneys' fees is AWARDED.

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IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that a Judgment in favor of Breckenridge in the amount of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars and One Cent (\$3,788.01) for costs is AWARDED.

DATED: This 18th day of January, 2022.

HON. LEON ABERASTURI DISTRICT JUDGE

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Employee of Hon. Leon Aberasturi

# **Case Summary**

FAY SERVICING LLC, BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016 LLC, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., ALBERT ELLIS LINCICOME JR., VICENTA LINCICOME, SABLES, LLC, PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST BY U.S. BANK, N.A., NEWREZ, LLC dba SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC ~ COMPLAINT

Case Number: 18-CV-01332 Agency: Third Judicial District Court

Type: Other Title to Property Case

Status: Closed

Received Date: 11/7/2018 Status Date: 6/23/2021

#### Involvements

**Primary Involvements** 

NEWREZ, LLC dba SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, LLC

Defendant

BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND 2016 LLC Defendant

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Defendant

SABLES, LLC Defendant

FAY SERVICING LLC Defendant

PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST BY U.S. BANK, N.A.

Defendant

LINCICOME, ALBERT ELLIS JR. Plaintiff

LINCICOME, VICENTA Plaintiff

Other Involvements

Wade, Shadd A. Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Clouser, Justin M. Esq. Plaintiff's Attorney

Schriever, Matthew K. Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Brenner, Darren T. Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Lachman, Scott Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Hernandez, Ramir Esq. Defendant's Attorney

Millward, Michael G. Esq. Plaintiff's Attorney

Third Judicial District Court (18-CV-01332)

Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA Dept II - TJDC

## 5. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Lead/Active: False

#### 7. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Notes: Newrez LLC dva Shellpoint Mortgage

Lead/Active: False

#### 8. NRCP ~ RELATED PARTY

Lead/Active: False

### Other Title to Property Case

1. NRCP 3 ~ COMPLAINT

Lead/Active: True



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### 2. NRCP 3 ~ COMPLAINT

Lead/Active: False

#### 3. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Lead/Active: False

#### 4. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Lead/Active: False

### 6. NRCP 5 ~ ANSWER

Notes: Sables, LLC First Appearance

Lead/Active: False

## **Case Status History**

11/7/2018 4:49:00 PM | Open 6/23/2021 3:25:00 PM | Closed

#### **Events**

11/20/2018 2:30:00 PM | TPO Hearing | Dept II, Crtrm A 18-CV-01332 | Court Room A

Lachman, Scott Esq.

Telephonic, obo Bank of America

Andersen, Andrea Deputy Clerk -

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Staff - STAFF

Geurts, Patrick Bailiff - X004896

lawclerk2 - LAW2

John Kilgore

Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA (Dept II - TJDC)

Hernandez, Ramir Esq. (Defendant's

Attorney)

obo Defendant, PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST BY U.S. BANK, N.A. and FAY SERVICING LLC

LINCICOME, ALBERT ELLIS JR. (Plaintiff)

**Plaintiff** 

LINCICOME, VICENTA (Plaintiff)

Plaintiff

Millward, Michael G. Esq. (Plaintiff's

Attorney)

with Plaintiffs

Notes: Counsel does not feel there is a chance of settlement. Court proceeded with the hearing. Mr. Lachman advised the court he was just retained on behalf of Bank of America and it does not appear that Bank of America has an interest, but requested to stay on the phone. Court allowed requested. Plaintiff's Exhibits 1-18 were marked. Counsel stipulated to the admission of Plaintiff's Exhibits 1-18. Plaintiffs Exhibits 1-18 were admitted. All the exhibits as attached to Defendants Response to Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order, Preliminary Injunction and Permanent Injunction were admitted. No objections to the facts within the Affidavit. Counsel argued the Application for Ex Parte Restraining Order, Preliminary Injuction & Permanent Injunction. Court ruled in favor of the Plaintiff to extend due to the likelihood of success. Court ordered bond in the amount of the payments due, which is the monthly mortgage



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payment times twelve (12) times seven (7.) Bond is due within thirty (30) days. Payments are to be made each month starting December 20, 2018. Mediation is requested to be done by Washoe County Judge Hardy. Court will contact Judge Hardy and see if he is willing to preside over mediation. Court finds no statute of fraud. Mr. Millward to prepare Order and submit to opposing counsel. If counsel cannot agree on the Order in one (1) or two (2) emails, counsel is to submit their own orders. Order to be submitted December 10, 2018. 4/15/2019 1:30:00 PM | Motion Hearing | Shad A Wade telephonic dc Scott Lachman Telephonic | Court Room A Thomas, Kathy Dep. Clerk - KTHOMAS Staff - STAFF Court Room A - CourtRmA lawclerk2 - LAW2 Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA (Dept II - TJDC) Hernandez, Ramir Esq. (Defendant's Attorney) Brenner, Darren T. Esq. (Defendant's Attorney) telephonic Millward, Michael G. Esq. (Plaintiff's Attorney) Notes: Michael Millward, appearing on behalf of the Plaintiff. Ramir Hernandez, appearing obo Fay U.S Bank Trust, Shad Wade appearing telephonic obo Sables, LLC, Darren Brenner, obo Bank of America. Counsel argued the Motion to set aside the Default Judgment. Court granted the Motion to set aside default is granted. Counsel next argued the Motion for rule II Sanctions. Court granted the motion. Attorney fees were awarded. Counsel argued the Motion to Dismiss is granted in part and denied in part. Any claims against BNA seeking injunctive relief are hereby dismissed. All other Claims will be allowed to remain. Sables Declaration of Non-Monetary Status is granted. Mr. Wade to provide Order. Motion for leave to file an Amended Complaint is granted leave to amend its claims as to Sables. Mr. Millard to file motion to Amend within 20 days. After filing of the Motion and oppositions the court will make a determination as to whether to grant leave to Plaintiff's to amend the Complaint. Mr. Hernandez asked that a settlement conference be set. Court will not set at this time while motions are still being filed. 8/23/2019 11:30:00 AM | Telephonic Conference | Dept II - 18-CV-01332 | Court Room A Tovar, Victoria Deputy Clerk - VTOVAR lawclerk2 - LAW2 Schriever, Matthew K. Esq.

telephonic

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Court Room A - CourtRmA

Wade, Shadd A. Esq.

telephonic

Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA (Dept II - TJDC)

Hernandez, Ramir Esq. (Defendant's

Attorney)

telephonic

Millward, Michael G. Esq. (Plaintiff's

Attorney)

Notes: Mr. Schriever addressed Motion to Intervene. Court granted Breckenridge's Motion to Intervene. Court finds four (4) prongs satisfied, Mr. Millward to file second amended complaint within three (3) weeks, and court finds not cause of action for declaratory relief. Mr. Schriever to prepare order regarding motion to intervene and court to prepare order for remaining issues.

2/4/2020 9:30:00 AM | Motion Hearing | Dept II, Crtrm A 18-CV-01332 | Court Room A

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Geurts, Patrick Bailiff - X004896

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Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA (Dept II - TJDC)

Hernandez, Ramir Esq. (Defendant's Attorney)



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  Brenner, Darren T. Esq. (Defendant's
  Attorney)
       telephonic/obo Bank of America N.A.
  Wade, Shadd A. Esq. (Defendant's
  Attorney)
       telephonic/obo Sables, LLC
  Schriever, Matthew K. Esq. (Defendant's
       telephonic/obo Breckenridge Property Fund 2016 LLC
  LINCICOME, ALBERT ELLIS JR. (Plaintiff)
  LINCICOME, VICENTA (Plaintiff)
  Clouser, Justin M. Esq. (Plaintiff's
  Attorney)
      obo plaintiffs
  Millward, Michael G. Esq. (Plaintiff's
  Attorney)
       obo plaintiffs
  Notes: Court heard statements and argument from counsel. Mr. Millward requested his Motion for Reconsideration be
  withdrawn. No objections. Court ordered Motion for Reconsideration withdrawn. Court denied Ex Parte Motion filed
  October 3, 2019 without prejudice. 16.1 conference set for March 16, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. Court ordered Mr. Millward
  set up conference call and all counsel to contact Mr. Millward with their phone numbers. Court to prepare Order
  Denying Ex Parte Motion and Mr. Millward to issue notice of 16.1 conference.
3/16/2020 12:00:00 PM | 16.1 Conference | Dept II - 18-CV-01332 | Court Room A
  Staff - STAFF
  lawclerk2 - LAW2
  Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA (Dept II - TJDC)
  Notes: Per Sherry at Millward Law. Conference Call # to be emailed to Court day of hearing. dq
2/18/2021 9:30:00 AM | Settlement Conference | Dept I , Crtrm B 18-CV-01332 | Court Room B
  Staff - STAFF
  Court Room B - CourtRmB
  Geurts, Patrick Bailiff - X004896
  Schlegelmilch, John P. - JPS
  lawclerk1 - LAW1
  Notes: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82853007945?pwd=U0pmS0xQWVp2VnVmbW9ZMS9TQStFdz09
  Meeting ID: 828 5300 7945
  Passcode: 18CV01332
10/13/2021 1:30:00 PM | Motion Hearing | 18-CV-01332 Dept II | Court Room A
  Staff - STAFF
       Involved via BizRule
  Court Room A - CourtRmA
  Third Judicial Court Clerks
  Geurts, Patrick Bailiff - X004896
  Thomas, Kathy Dep. Clerk - KTHOMAS
  lawclerk2 - LAW2
  Nelson, Casey J. Esq.
  PRALL, TODD Esq.
       Breckenridge Property Fund
  MAGASTER, PAIGE Esq.
       OBO Bank of America
  PROF-2013-M4 LEGAL TITLE TRUST BY
  U.S. BANK, N.A. (Defendant)
  Aberasturi, Leon A. - LAA (Dept II - TJDC)
  LINCICOME, ALBERT ELLIS JR. (Plaintiff)
  LINCICOME, VICENTA (Plaintiff)
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Millward, Michael G. Esq. (Plaintiff's Attorney)

obo Lincicome

Notes: Vicenta Lincicome and Albert Lincicome were sworn and testified. Counsel argued the Matter. Court Ordered: Court will not enter the writ at this time. Plaintiff's will the ability to post bond. Court will not grant the request for alternative. Request in not sufficient and propose equity in rental property is unclear. Mortgage on the property would make collection process complex. Additionally parties retirement is unclear. Plaintiff's finances are not in a good possession. Lack ability to pay judgment is not plain to the Court. Court will require a bond for back rent and perspective rent in the future. Court Order \$140,000 for bond. Will have until Nov 12, 2021 to post bond. If bond not posted Plaintiff's will have the ability to motion the supreme Court for a stay, if denied the Defendants would have ability to submit a exparte motion which would just be submitted and considered without further hearing. Court will issue the writ effective on November 15, 2021 if Bond is not posted. Casey Nelson will prepare the Order. All counsel to review and confirm with the Court. If Any additional motions to be addressed counsel to contact Judicial Assistant.



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# DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

Lyon County, Nevada
Case No. 18-CV-01332

I. Party Information (provide both he		ogice) Dept-11		
Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone):	ome and mailing dadresses if different)	2013 NOV - 7 Ph 4: 54 Defendant(s) (name/address/phone):		
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	·	THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT		
70 Riverside Drive, Da		Victoria Tovar		
(775) 246-	0810	VICTOR TO VOICE		
Attorney (name/address/phone):		Attorney (name/address/phone):		
Michael G. Milly	vard, Esq.			
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Minden, NV 89423	(775) 600-2776			
II. Nature of Controversy (please s	elect the one most applicable filing type	below)		
Civil Case Filing Types				
Real Property		Torts		
Landlord/Tenant	Negligence	Other Torts		
Unlawful Detainer	Auto	Product Liability		
Other Landlord/Tenant	Premises Liability	Intentional Misconduct		
Title to Property	Other Negligence	Employment Tort		
Judicial Foreclosure	Malpractice	Insurance Tort		
Other Title to Property	Medical/Dental	Other Tort		
Other Real Property	Legal			
Condemnation/Eminent Domain	Accounting			
Other Real Property	Other Malpractice			
Probate	Construction Defect & Contr	act Judicial Review/Appeal		
Probate (select case type and estate value)	Construction Defect	Judicial Review		
Summary Administration	Chapter 40	Foreclosure Mediation Case		
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General Administration	Other Construction Defect	Petition to Seal Records		
General Administration Special Administration	Other Construction Defect Contract Case			
		Mental Competency		
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