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1.1	IRENE PSENICNIK,) CASE NO.: A-20-817158-C
11	, , , , , , ,) DEPT. NO.: 24
12	Plaintiff,)
13	NO.) NOTICE OF APPEAL
1.4	VS.)
14	BODYSPA GROUP, LLC dba)
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16	BUSINESS ENTITIES 1-20, inclusive,)
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18	Notice is hereby given that IDENE D	SENICNIK, Plaintiff above named, hereby appeals
19	Notice is hereby given that IRENE F.	SENICIVIK, Flamuii above named, hereby appears
20	to the Supreme Court of Nevada from the C	Order Granting Summary Judgment entered in this
20	action on the 3rd day of February, 2022	
21	DATED THIS 4th day of March, 2022	
22	Divided Time and day of March, 2022	
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17	Defendants.)
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10	1. Name of appellant filing this case appeal statement: Irene Psenicnik
19	2. Identify the judge issuing the decision, judgment, or order appealed from: The
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2.1	Honorable Jessica K. Peterson
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22	3. Identify each appellant and the name and address of counsel for each appellant: Irene
23	Psenicnik; Charles S. Jackson, Esq., Bar No. 13158; 2630 S. Jones Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89146
24	4. Identify each respondent and the name and address of appellate counsel, if known, for
25	each respondent (if the name of a respondent's appellate counsel is unknown, indicate as much
26	and provide the name and address of that respondent's trial counsel): Bodyspa Group, LLC d/b/a

Bodyspa; Loren Young, Esq., 3960 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89169

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- 5. Indicate whether any attorney identified above in response to question 3 or 4 is not licensed to practice law in Nevada and, if so, whether the district court granted that attorney permission to appear under SCR 42 (attach a copy of any district court order granting such
- 6. Indicate whether appellant was represented by appointed or retained counsel in the
- 7. Indicate whether appellant is represented by appointed or retained counsel on appeal:
- Indicate whether appellant was granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis, and the date
- 9. Indicate the date the proceedings commenced in the district court (e.g., date complaint,
- 10. Provide a brief description of the nature of the action and result in the district court, including the type of judgment or order being appealed and the relief granted by the district court: This is an action arising from a slip and fall on Defendant's premises. On November 20, 2019, Plaintiff slipped and fell at Defendant's premises. The District Court granted summary judgment on duty and breach in this matter.
- 11. Indicate whether the case has previously been the subject of an appeal to or original writ proceeding in the Supreme Court and, if so, the caption and Supreme Court docket number of the prior proceeding: No.
 - 12. Indicate whether this appeal involves child custody or visitation: No.

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1	13. If this is a civil case, indicate whether this appeal involves the possibility of settlement:
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Judicial Officer: Peterson, Jessica K.
Filed on: 06/25/2020

Case Number History:

Cross-Reference Case A817158

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CASE	INFORMATION

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Statistical Closures

02/03/2022 Summary Judgment

Case Type: Negligence - Premises Liability

Case Status: 02/03/2022 Closed

DATE CASE ASSIGNMENT

Current Case Assignment

Case Number A-20-817158-C
Court Department 8
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PARTY INFORMATION

Plaintiff Psenicnik, Irene Lead Attorneys
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DATE EVENTS & ORDERS OF THE COURT INDEX

EVENTS

06/25/2020

Complaint

Filed By: Plaintiff Psenicnik, Irene

[1] Plaintiff's Complaint

06/25/2020 Initial Appearance Fee Disclosure

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06/25/2020 Summons Electronically Issued - Service Pending

Party: Plaintiff Psenicnik, Irene

[3] Summons

07/20/2020 Affidavit of Service

Filed By: Plaintiff Psenicnik, Irene

[4] Affidavit of Service

08/04/2020 Answ

Answer to Complaint

Filed by: Defendant Bodyspa Group LLC

[5] Defendant Bodyspa Group, LLC dba Bodyspa's Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint

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10/20/2020	Notice of Entry of Stipulation and Order Filed By: Plaintiff Psenicnik, Irene [14] Notice of Entry of Stipulation and Order
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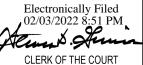
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DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET CASE NO: A-20-817158-C ______County, Nevada Department 24

Case No. (Assigned by Clerk's Office)			
I. Party Information (provide both hor			
Plaintiff(s) (name/addæss/phone):		Defendant(s) (name/address/phone):	
IRENE PSEN	ICNIK	BODYSPA GROUP, LLC dba BODYSPA	
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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 & Contra	act Judicial Review/Appeal	
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Summary Administration	Chapter 40	Foreclosure Mediation Case	
General Administration	Other Construction Defect	Petition to Seal Records	
Special Administration	Contract Case	Mental Competency	
Set Aside	Uniform Commercial Code	Nevada State Agency Appeal	
Trust/Conservatoship	Building and Construction	Department of Motor Vehicle	
Other Probate	Insurance Carrier	Worker's Compensation	
Estate Value	Commercial Instrument	Other Nevada State Agency	
Over \$200,000	Collection of Accounts	Appeal Other	
Between \$100,000 and \$200,000	Employment Contract	Appeal from Lower Court	
Under \$100,000 or Unknown	Other Contract	Other Judicial Review/Appeal	
Under \$2,500			
Civil	Writ	Other Civil Filing	
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Writ of Habeas Corpus	Writ of Prohibition	Compromise of Minor's Claim	
Writ of Mandamus Other Civil Writ		Foreign Judgment	
Writ of Quo Warrant	Writ of Quo Warrant Other Civil Matters		
Business Co	urt filings should be filed using the	Business Court civil coversheet.	
6/25/2020			
Date	_	Signature of initiating party or representative	

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9	Defendant(s)	
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15	V.	FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF	
16	BODYSPA GROUP, LLC dba BODYSPA; DOES 1-20 and ROE BUSINESS ENTITIES 1- 20, inclusive,	LAW, AND ORDER REGARDING DEFENDANT, BODYSPA GROUP, LLC'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT	
17	Defendants.		
18	Defendant, BODYSPA GROUP, LLC	dba BODYSPA's (hereinafter referred to as	
19	"BODYSPA") Motion for Summary Judgment ca	me up for hearing on January 4, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.,	
20	before Department 8, with the Honorable Judge Jessica K. Peterson presiding over the matter;		
21	Defendant, BODYSPA, appearing by and through its counsel of record, Karissa K. Mack,		
22	Esq. of Lincoln, Gustafson & Cercos, LLP;		
23	Plaintiff, IRENE PSENICNIK (hereinafter referred to as "PLAINTIFF"), appearing by and		
24	through her counsel of record, Charles S. Jackson, Esq., of Hicks & Brasier, PLLC;		
25	Having reviewed the papers and pleadings on file herein, and having heard oral arguments of		
26	the parties, this Court makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Orders as		
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28	follows:		
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Case Number: A-20-817158-C

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FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The case involved allegations of personal injuries stemming from an alleged slip and fall incident that occurred within the BODYSPA on November 20, 2019 as Plaintiff was exiting the facility following her appointment.
 - 2. Plaintiff did not see any liquid or other substances on the floor prior to her fall.
- 3. There is no evidence of any liquid or other substance having been on the floor near the fall.
- 4. Plaintiff cannot identify and does not know the specific defect, hazard, or other condition that caused her fall.
- 5. Plaintiff does not recall any dampness/wetness on her clothes or body following the fall.
 - 6. Discovery is closed.
 - 7. On November 29, 2021, BODYSPA filed a Motion for Summary Judgment.
 - 8. On December 13, 2021, PLAINTIFF filed an Opposition.
 - 9. On December 28, 2021, BODYSPA filed a Reply in Support of its Motion.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Nevada law provides that summary judgment is appropriate if "the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any, show that there is not genuine issue of material fact and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." NRCP 56(c); *Wood v. Safeway, Inc.*, 121 Nev. 724, 731 (2005).
- 2. A genuine issue of material fact is one where "the evidence is such that a rational trier of fact could return a verdict for the non-moving party. *Wood*, 121 Nev. at 731.
- 3. A moving party who bears the burden of proof must present evidence that would entitle it to judgment as a matter of law in the absence of contrary evidence. On the other hand, a moving party who does not bear the burden of proof, need only point out that there is an absence of evidence to support the nonmoving party's case. *Cuzze v. Univ. & Comm. College Sys. of Nevada*, 123 Nev. 598, 603 (2007); *Celotex Corp. v. Catrett*, 477 U.S. 317, 323, 106 S. Ct. 2548, 2552-2553 (1986).

- 4. The failure to show a fact essential to one element, however, "necessarily renders all other facts immaterial." *Celotex*, 477 U.S. at 323. Additionally, "[t]he mere existence of a scintilla of evidence in support of the plaintiff's position will be insufficient." *United States v.* \$133,420.00 in U.S. Currency, 672 F.3d 629, 638 (9th Cir. 2012)(quoting *Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc.*, 477 U.S. 242, 252, 106 S.Ct. 2505 (1986)).
- 5. Summary judgment should be entered against a party who, after adequate time for discovery, fails to make a showing sufficient to establish the existence of an essential element on which the party will bear the burden of persuasion at trial. *Wood*, 121 Nev. at 317; *Bulbman, Inc. v. Nevada Bell*, 108 Nev. 105, 112 (1992).
- 6. An "owner or occupant of property is not an insurer of the safety of a person on the premises, and in the absence of negligence, no liability lies." *Sprague v. Lucky Stores, Inc.*, 109 Nev. 247, 849 P.2d 320, 322 (Nev. 1993). The fact that an accident occurs on the premises does not of itself establish negligence. *Id.*
- 7. Expounding on the legal duties of businesses to protect customers from slips and falls, the Nevada Supreme Court stated the following:
 - [A] business owes its patrons a duty to keep the premises in a reasonably safe condition for use. Where a foreign substance on the floor causes a patron to slip and fall, and the business owner or one of its agents caused the substance to be on the floor, liability will lie, as a foreign substance on the floor is usually not consistent with the standard of ordinary care. Where the foreign substance is the result of the actions of persons other than the business or its employees, liability will lie only if the business had actual or constructive notice of the condition and failed to remedy it. *Sprague*, 849 P.2d at 322-23 (Nev. 1993)(internal citations omitted).
- 8. A business owes its patrons a duty to keep the premises in a reasonably safe condition for use. When a hazard is the fault of the defendant, or his agents, notice is imputed and liability attached. Wagon Wheel v. Mavrogan, 369 P.2d 688 (Nev. 1962). "On the other hand, if the presence of the foreign substance was due to the acts of persons other than agents or employees of the defendant, liability may be found only on proof that the defendant had either actual or constructive notice thereof." Eldorado Club, Inc. v. Graff, 377 P.2d 174, 175 (Nev. 1962). "[W]ithout notice of the hazard, either actual or constructive, defendant did not have a duty to plaintiff"; and, "in the

1	absence of a duty, there is no negligence as a matter of law". Mills v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., 2017
2	U.S. Dist. LEXIS 148040 *11 (Dist. Nev. Sept. 13, 2017).
3	9. Without some proof of negligence, an action cannot be maintained, and must be
4	dismissed. DeBoer v. Sr. Bridges of Sparks, 128 Nev. 406, 282 P.3d 727, 732 (2012).
5	10. Proof of negligence cannot be left to mere speculation or conjecture. (See Rickard v.
6	Reno, 71 Nev. 266, 272, 288 P. 2d 209 (1955)).
7	11. In this case, PLAINTIFF did not provide evidence to support that first, there was any
8	liquid or other substance on the ground, and, second, that that substance was in fact the cause of the
9	fall.
10	Accordingly, and based upon the forgoing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED
11	AND DECREED that BODYSPA's Motion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED.
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13	Dated this 3rd day of February, 2022
14	DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
15	Submitted by:
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October 29, 2020

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October 29, 2020 9:00 AM Mandatory Rule 16

Conference

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Negligence - Premises Liability

RECORDER: Nancy Maldonado

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Rogers, Steven M Attorney

Young, Loren Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Parties gave a thumbnail summary of their case. Colloquy regarding scheduling. Ms. Young stated they might need additional time if the Plaintiff is still treating her pinky injury. COURT ORDERED, dates from Judicial Case Conference Report shall be used due to the Plaintiff's age, Scheduling Order to issue from Chambers.

PRINT DATE: 03/08/2022 Page 1 of 2 Minutes Date: October 29, 2020

DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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- Colloquy regarding scheduling and parties voiced interest in attending a settlement conference. Court instructed counsel to contact Department 30 to schedule a settlement conference and submit a stipulation and order to continue the trial dates.

PRINT DATE: 03/08/2022 Page 2 of 2 Minutes Date: October 29, 2020



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IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 8 day of March 2022.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Heather Ungermann, Deputy Clerk