IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

TKNR, INC., a California Corporation,

Appellant,

v.

SC Case No. 85620

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W L A B INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC,

Respondent.

From the Eighth Judicial District Court The Honorable Linda Marie Bell, District Judge District Court Case No. A-18-785917-C

APPELLANT'S APPENDIX

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COMES NOW Plaintiff WLAB INVESTMENT, LLC, by and through its attorneys,

DAY & NANCE, and submits, pursuant to EDCR 2.24, the following Motion for

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Reconsideration of this Court's ruling on Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. This

1	Motion is made and based upon all of the pleadings and papers on file herein, together with
2	the Points and Authorities, the Affidavit and deposition testimony of Frank Miao, the
3	Exhibits attached hereto and any oral argument this Court may entertain at the time of the
4	hearing of this matter.
5	DATED this 16 th day of April, 2021.
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14	NOTICE OF MOTION
15	TO: ALL PARTIES IN INTEREST AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:
16	YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the
17	undersigned will bring Plaintiff WLAB Investment, LLC's Motion to Reconsider on for
18	hearing on the day of, 2021, before the above entitled
19	court, located at 200 Lewis Ave., Las Vegas, Nevada, at the hour ofm., or as soon
20	thereafter as counsel may be heard.
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SUMMARY OF RELEVANT FACTS

In the case at bar, Defendants submit that Plaintiff waived his right to have the subject property inspected and in so doing waived his right to observe defects which would have been open and obvious upon inspection. Plaintiff argues that he did not waive his right to inspection and that he in fact inspect the subject property himself and with Defendant Kenny Lin on multiple occasions. (See affidavit of Frank Miao attached hereto as Exhibit "1", ¶ 2) Defendants submit throughout their motion for summary judgment that Plaintiff waived its right to inspect the subject property. However, as can be seen on page 4 of both the original and amended Residential Purchase Agreements, Plaintiff did not waive their right to inspect. (See Exhibit "1", ¶3). Residential Purchase Agreement and 2nd Residential Purchase Agreement, p. 4, attached hereto as Exhibit "8"). Nowhere in either Residential Purchase Agreement does Plaintiff waive its right to an inspection. Plaintiff waived due diligence in the second Residential Purchase Agreement as Plaintiff had already inspected the property during August and was ready to close the transaction. It is Plaintiff's contention that Defendant had intentionally covered up numerous substantial defects with the property so as to sell the property to an unsuspecting buyer such as the Plaintiff in this case. Plaintiff submits that there are numerous issues of fact as to what Defendants knew concerning the subject property and were obligated to disclose.

Frank Miao is a member of WLAB Investment, LLC with his wife, Marie Zhu who is also a member of WLAB Investment, LLC. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 2) Mr. Miao, with his wife and through various business entities, owned at the time of this transaction 7 apartments in Las Vegas and more than 10 properties in California. (See Frank Miao deposition, p. 138, attached hereto as Exhibit "2"). Mr. Miao and his wife purchased the apartments as part of their retirement plan. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 2) Mr. Miao has a PhD in chemical engineering.

(See Exhibit "2", p. 33) His background was designing and building plants. (See Exhibit "2", p. 33) Over his career, he has worked for Westinghouse, Siemens, the Gas Research Institute, ASEA Brown Boveri, one of the world's largest power generation equipment companies. (See Exhibit "2", p. 34-37) In addition to designing and building plants, he was involved in the construction and renovation of his houses and apartments. (See Exhibit "2", p. 45-46)

Mr. Miao became aware of the subject property for sale via Zillow. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). During the inspection, he inspected the property with Mr. Kenny Lin during the afternoon of August 10, 2017. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). Mr. Miao asked Mr. Lin about a small crack in the outside sidewalk. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). Mr. Lin said that they had purchased the property through an auction but that the property had been entirely rehabilitated. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). Mr. Miao checked out Mr. Lin's company, InvestPro. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). InvestPro reportedly focused on the customer and further represented that their vendors were licensed and professional who complete cleaning, painting and or make repair when necessary which Mr. Miao liked. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). InvestPro was according to Lin one of the largest realtors in Chinatown. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). After inspecting the property with Mr. Lin and based upon the representations of Mr. Lin, Mr. Miao told his wife to go ahead and sign the purchase agreement after the August 10, 2017 inspection. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). Ms. Marie Zhu e-signed the Agreement on August 11, 2017 with the help of Kenny Lin and Le Wei Chen from InvestPro who were the buyer's agents. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3) (August 11, 2017 Resident Purchase Agreement attached as Exhibit "8" to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration). The form had previously been completely prepared by the InvestPro agents. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). During the inspection, Mr. Miao informed Mr. Lin that the units needed to have proper GFCI outlets and that smoke, combustible gas and CO detectors needed to be installed since they were required by law. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 3). When Ms.

Marie Zhu signed the second Residential Purchase Agreement on September 5, 2017, due diligence was waived as Mr. Miao had already completed inspections of the subject property. (September 5, 2017 Residential Purchase Agreement attached as Exhibit "8" to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration).

After the Residential Purchase Agreement was e-signed, Mr. Miao visited and inspected the triplex additional times prior to closing. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). Ceramic tile had been laid in the kitchen, living room, hallway and bathrooms. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). Laminated wood flooring had been placed in all the bedrooms. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). Mr. Miao did not notice any issues with the flooring except for a few small cracks in the ceramic tile in Unit C. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). The floor was not buckling in any of the units. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). Mr. Miao also did not notice any cracking in the walls inside the triplex during his inspections. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). The units did look as that they had been recently renovated. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4). At no time during Mr. Miao's initial inspection of the triplex did Mr. Lin report that there were significant issues with the foundation and earth movement or that the sewer line was broken causing sewer water backup. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 4).

When considering the purchase of the subject triplex, Mr. Miao asked Kenny Lin to be their buyer's agent. (See Exhibit "1", \P 5). After the Residential Purchase Agreement was e-signed, Mr. Miao found out Mr. Lin had assigned another agent in his office, Helen Chen, to represent Plaintiff WLAB Investment. (See Exhibit "1", \P 5). It was Lin's and InvestPro's handyman who had rehabilitated the triplex by covering up the many issues with the building. (See Exhibit "1", \P 5). In hindsight, understanding that Lin knew too much about the undisclosed problems with the building, he probably wanted nothing to do with representing Mr. Miao's company. (See Exhibit "1", \P 5).

After WLAB purchased the 2132 Houston Drive property, Mr. Miao retained InvestPro as the property manager as they had been for the seller since they got their triplex in 2015. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). Mr. Miao went to the InvestPro Christmas party during December, 2017. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). At the party, Lin explained to Mr. Miao that they were buying properties in auctions, then rehabilitate and "flipping" the properties and making large amounts of money. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). A number of Lin's investors were present during the party and also confirmed that they were making a lot of money. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). Lin explained that he puts investors together to buy properties for the purpose of flipping the properties. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). Lin invited Mr. Miao to joint his "flipping fund." (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). Lin explained that Mr. Miao needed only invest some money and that InvestPro would do everything from buying the properties to remodeling and flipping them. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). He described it like a mutual fund where he could get a very good return. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). Lin also mentioned that the 2132 Houston Drive property was one of the projects in the "flipping fund." (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). Investors did not need to know anything about the properties. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). They simply invested money and Investpro handled the rest like a mutual fund. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6). The mutual fund was also referenced in InvestPro advertisements in local newspapers. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 6).

During approximately June of 2018, the tenant in unit A reported that the fuse to Unit A kept burning out. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). The tenant reported the issue to InvestPro, the property manager. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). InvestPro sent their handyman to fix the problem. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). The handyman's fix was apparently to disconnect some of the other circuits to the fuse which result in the tenant not being able to use all outlets. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). After complaining to Mr. Miao about the problem, Mr. Miao hired a licensed electrical contractor to look at the issue. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). At that time, the

contractor discovered that InvestPro's handyman had disconnected circuits from the fuse. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). The contractor also learned that when the window ACs were installed, Defendants had piggybacked the AC circuit onto other circuits causing an overload on the fuse without the required permit. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). The electrical panel further did not have sufficient electrical wattage to power the unit with the addition of the AC units. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). InvestPro's handyman is not a licensed professional as InvestPro had represented in their website. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). None of this was disclosed by Lin to Mr. Miao prior to the purchase of the triplex. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). Mr. Miao approached Lin with the contractor's bid asking for \$10,000.00 to fix the electrical problem. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). Lin said that it was Mr. Miao's problem. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7). Mr. Miao ended up paying for the repair. (See Exhibit "1", \P 7).

Around October of 2018, water was dripping from unit C's ceiling during hot sunny days. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). The ceiling was opened up which revealed that Defendants had installed a dryer duct dumping high moisture exhaust gas into the attic instead of venting to outside of the building which was required by law. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). Mr. Miao also found that the air conditioning ductwork inside the ceiling was not insulated which is also unlawful. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). Later, Mr. Miao discovered that when Defendants replaced swamp cooler with AC, they left the uninsulated swamp cooler duct in the attic. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). When the highly moist gas from the dryer exhaust cooled with cool air coming from the uninsulated AC duct, condensation occurred causing water dropping onto the unit C ceiling. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). The wet insulation in the attic was black and no longer working. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). Mr. Miao hired LVAC to put in new insulated ducting and hired Home Depot to reinsulate the attic. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). Mr. Miao found that Unit B had the same issue with the dryer vent dumping into the attic. (See Exhibit "1", ¶8). In Unit A, the dryer vent dumped into the wall between two studs and also eventually dumped into

the attic. (See Exhibit "1", \P 8). None of this was reported by Lin prior to Plaintiff closing on the triplex. (See Exhibit "1", \P 8).

During the last several months, Mr. Miao has become aware of the condition of the foundation. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). On February 16, 2021, the flooring in one of the bedrooms in Unit B was pulled up. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). The laminate wood flooring installed by Kenny Lin/InvestPro's handyman had been buckling which prompted Mr. Miao to pull up the floor. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). Upon pulling up the floor, it was observed that the foundation had severely deteriorated and had been covered by laminate flooring so the foundation defects would be concealed. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). The photographs attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration as Exhibit "3" were taken by Mr. Miao and accurately reflect the condition of the foundation on February 16, 2021. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). Upon seeing the condition of the foundation, it explained the severe cracks in the walls that had been appearing through Defendants' pre-sale renovations. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). At the time of the pre-purchase inspections of the triplex, there was no serious cracking in the walls. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). The walls had been covered the plaster and wall coverings to hide the cracks and other wall defects. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). After closing, cracks started developing again. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9). The photographs of the wall cracks attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration as Exhibit "4" were taken by Mr. Miao. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 9).

Before the tenant in Unit C moved out August of 2020, he complained of slow drainage issues with the unit, particularly in the kitchen and bathroom. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). The tenants in units B and C had complained about drainage issues as early as May or June of 2020. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). When Nicholas Quioz, the tenant in Unit A, moved out, he explained to Mr. Miao that he had moved into the unit during April of 2017. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). He reported to InvestPro that sewage water had overflowed into Unit A.

(See Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). He reported that InvestPro had spent several weeks trying to open the sewer line. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). The handyman working on the sewer line explained to Mr. Quioz that the sewer line was broken. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). Attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration as Exhibit "7" is a photograph taken by Mr. Miao of sewage backed up into Unit C's bathtub. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 10). Lin said nothing about a broken sewer line prior to or after closing. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 10).

That during the week of March 8, 2021, a next-door neighbor explained to Mr. Miao that he had been a tenant of the building during 2016 or 2017. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 11). After he moved in, the floor buckled, and sewage backed up. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 11). He called InvestPro who did nothing about the problem, so he moved out. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 11).

The property purchased by WLAB Investments was one of the homes purchased by Lin's flipping fund. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). TKNR, Inc. who was the seller of the property and which constituted a group of investors who had been put together by Lin and InvestPro. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). In the disclosure made by the seller attached to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, the seller states that they have never visited the property. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). This is because the property was one of Mr. Lin's flipping fund properties. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). Lin handled everything including taking his share of the profit from the sale. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). It was Lin/InvestPro's handyman who made the repairs to the subject property. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). Lin was aware that the building was cracking. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). More importantly, Lin was aware of the condition of the foundation as it was InvestPro's handyman who covered it up. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12). This is why Lin did not want to represent both the buyer and the seller in this transaction as he was aware of the many undisclosed problems with the property. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 12).

Concerning the condition of the foundation, Lin and InvestPro were more than aware of what was going on. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 13). Mr. Miao had an opportunity to review a number of the handyman receipts which have been produced in the litigation one of which acknowledges that the handyman "remove 2 rooms laminate and level concrete." (DEF 23) This took place on April 19, 2017. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 13). When the flooring began buckling again, Mr. Miao pulled the wood laminate up only to find the condition of the foundation that the handyman had covered to be extremely poor rendering the entire triplex structurally unsound. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 13). The condition of the floor was also consistent with the recent reports of tenants that the sewer line was broken resulting in sewage water leakage backing up under the foundation. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 13). As reported by Defendants' expert Neil Opfer, the triplex sits on expansive clay which swells up when wet and then compresses when dry. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 13). These conditions cause earth movements resulting in foundation and wall cracking. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 13).

Mr. Miao has a PhD in chemical engineering. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). Because sewage gases are so dangerous, Mr. Miao removed all tenants from the property immediately and has not leased units to anyone else. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). Sewage gas is a complex mixture of toxic and nontoxic gases produced by the decomposition of organic household sewer water. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). The gases may include hydrogen sulfide, ammonia, methane, esters, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). Sewer gases are of concern due to health effects and potential for creating fire or explosions. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). Exposure to sewer gas can happen if the gas seeps in via a leaking plumping drain, vent pipe or even through cracks in a building's foundation. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). At higher concentrations (> 300 ppm) hydrogen sulfide can cause loss of consciousness and death. Very high concentrations (> 1000 ppm) can result in immediate collapse, occurring after a single breath. (*See* Exhibit "1", ¶ 14). Carbon monoxide is a

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colorless, odorless, and tasteless toxic and flammable gas. (See Exhibit "1", \P 14). At concentrations above 150 to 200 ppm, disorientation, unconsciousness and death are possible. (See Exhibit "1", \P 14). Sewer gas can contain methane, hydrogen sulfide and carbon monoxide all of which are highly flammable and potentially explosive substances. (See Exhibit "1", \P 14).

As a result of having a broken sewer line and significant issues with the foundation. as stated, Mr. Miao has refused to lease triplex units to other tenants. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). What concerns Mr. Miao is that Lin knowingly put a tenant in the Triplex knowing that the sewage line was broken and presented an extreme health and safety risk to tenants. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). Lin also sold the property to Mr. Miao's company without disclosing the condition of the foundation and sewer line. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). Lin's knowledge of the broken sewer line explains other actions prior to Plaintiff purchasing the triplex. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). During one of his inspections of the subject property with Lin by his side, Mr. Miao noticed that the units did not have smoke, CO or combustible gas detectors. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). Mr. Miao reminded Lin that this was against the county law and asked him to install detectors in each of the units. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). Lin had CO and smoke detectors installed. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). However, after Plaintiff's purchase of the triplex, Mr. Miao noticed that Linn had removed the CO and combustible gas detectors. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). Lin has obviously concerned the CO detectors would sound the alarm knowing that the sewer line was broken, and the foundation cracked. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15). Sewage gas seeps into the bedrooms through the cracked foundation. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 15).

In going through the amended order, Mr. Miao noticed a number of factual representations that he submits are at issue in the case. (See Exhibit "1", \P 16).

(a) p. 2, \P 1. "2132 Houston Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89104 ("Property") was originally constructed in 1954." On November 18, 1994, Cecilia Hernandez, with her

family, bought the triplex for \$117,000.00. They leased the property out for rental income.

Before or during their ownership, the sewage line broke leaking sewage water under the foundation. The soil has expansive clays. As Defendants' expert Opfer wrote in his report:

The ongoing groundwater condition can impact ground movement particularly with the presence of expansive clays." The point of this discussion is that this then impacts the performance of the walls and concrete floor slabs as to cracking to a significant degree. Cracked floor tile can be replaced in one year only to have the same issues appear again in the next year or year after that as an example. Standard construction materials such as stucco, drywall, floor tile, and concrete will all tend to crack when subjected to these forces. Again, cracking in these materials is seen all over the Las Vegas Valley.

(See Opfer report, pp. 9-10).

Most likely, clay pipe was used for the sewer system connection. . . . It is a well-known fact that vitrified clay pipe is relatively weak and can be easily penetrated by tree roots.

(See Opfer report, p. 14).

According to Opfer, "the issue with expansive clay is that it can swell up (expand) in the presence of water and then compress when it dries out. Note that expansive clays have created residential-foundation problems in many areas." The expansive clay soil with water leaks from a broken sewage line led to earth under the foundation moving and cracking the foundation. The earth movement broke more sewer line and lead to more water leakage causing more slab cracks. The more tenants they had in the apartments, the more sewage water generated and leaked under the foundation causing more foundation cracks and broken sewage line. The Hernandez family used the property as collateral for a \$291,000.00 loan to fix the problems. However, the loan was not sufficient to fix the problems with the property. The tenants moved out, so the owners did not have rental income to make the mortgage payment. The bank found out the triplex units could not be rented out to tenants because the units were dangerous because of the foundation and sewage gas. The sewage line needed to be rebuilt along with the foundation and

everything else. This is why on September 10, 2015, the bank foreclosed and started the auction at \$52,000.00 (the land value) in spite of their \$291,000.00 loan. Kenny Lin's flipping fund, with TKNR as the buyer, won the auction on 10/9/2015 and listed the triplex for sale three months later at \$188,000.00 on 1/9/2016. Lin/InvestPro knew of the apartment major defects and won the apartment at a very deep discount of market value. Lin/InvestPro rehabilitated the property though they did not fix the foundation or sewage problems. They just had the unlicensed InvestPro handyman cover major defects up and put the property back on the market for \$188,000.00 to make a huge flipping profit.

p. 3, ¶ 4. "Ms. Zhu waived the Due Diligence condition." Under Paragraph 7(D), "Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law." It was Helen Chen and Kenny Lin from InvestPro who prepared the purchase agreement and checked the box for home inspection by Buyer and waiving other inspection. Plaintiff did not waive right to inspect as evident in both the August 11, 2017 and September 14, 2017 Purchase Agreements. In fact, Mr. Miao inspected the property with Kenny Lin on August 10, 2017, before the Purchase Agreement was e-signed on August 11, 2017, pointing out various issues with the Triplex that needed to be fixed before closing. As stated, Mr. Miao could not have uncovered the various defects in the property that are at issue as they were covered up by Lin, acting on behalf of Defendant TKNR. The defects were serious and would have only been revealed during an inspection that allowed destructive opening up of the unit as this purchase agreement did not allow. Further, Mr. Miao's understanding of the law is that an inspection by a licensed inspector is not required for multi-family rental properties and that Lin is not relieved of his responsibility to disclose known conditions which affect the value of the property.

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- (c) p. 3, ¶ 5. "Ms. Zhu also waived the energy audit, pest inspection, roof inspection, septic lid removal inspection, mechanical inspection, soil inspection and structural inspection." As stated, Mr. Miao inspected the subject property on several occasions. No non-destructive inspection would have uncovered the serious cracking and foundations issue in the triplex. Further, this property is not on septic. The waiver checks in the Purchase Agreement were prepared by InvestPro without notifying Mr. Miao.
- (d) p. 3, ¶ 6. "Additionally, Wong, Lin, Chen, Zhang, Cheng, and Nickrandt (collectively, "Broker" or "Broker Defendants") had "no responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party." These individuals are the actual sellers of the property. They are the true sellers behind alternations and "flipping. Attached as Exhibit "5" to Plaintiff's Motion is the Flipping Fund's web page found by Mr. Miao. InvestPro's web page identifies InvestPro as a participant in the Property purchases and not just from a realtor standpoint. The second page of the website talks about splitting profits with the manager LLC. Lin and his company, InvestPpro, put the deal together, sold units to investors, for a 75/25 split at the end. It was InvestPro's Kenny Lin who participated at the auction and bought the subject property. It was InvestPro's Kenny Lin who hired the InvestPro handyman to "rehabilitate" the property. It was InvestPro's handyman who discovered that the sewer line was broken. Not only did Lin push representation for the buyer to another InvestPro realtor but at no time did Lin actually tell Mr. Miao that he had an interest in the subject property; i.e., he was the seller.
- (e) p. 3, \P 7. "On August 2, 2017, TKNR submitted Seller's Real Property Disclosure Form ("SRPDF" or "Seller's Disclosures") timely indicating all known conditions of the Subject Property." Mr. Miao did not meet Lin until August 10, 2017, at the time of

Mr. Miao's inspection of the Property. There was no communication prior to August 10 with Lin or anyone from InvestPro. Mr. Miao did not decide to go through with the purchase of the Property until August 11, 2017. There is nothing in Seller's disclosures referencing and broken sewer line or the structurally unsound foundation caused by earth movements. Sellers were aware of these conditions as Kenny Lin, their representative, covered them up.

- (f) p. 3, ¶ 7. "Despite these disclosures, Plaintiff chose not to inspect the Subject Property, request additional information and/or conduct any reasonable inquires." During Mr. Miao's inspection of the property with Kenny Lin, Mr. Miao requested information about repairs. Kenny Lin informed Mr. Miao that after they won the auction, they did a complete rehabilitation of the property. Because of Lin's representations prior to closing, Mr. Miao believed that Investpro had fixed all defects during rehabilitation.
- (g) p. 4, ¶ 10. "This is the second time that Ms. Zhu waived inspections for the Property despite the language in the 2nd RPA that strongly advised to get an inspection done." Mr. Miao inspected the property with Kenny Lin on August 10, 2017. The original Residential Purchase Agreement was e-signed the day after on August 11, 2017, after the agreement had been prepared completely by Helen Chen and Kenny Lin. The Agreement itself does not state that the buyer is waiving the home inspection. Again, the triplex had already been inspected by Frank Miao with Kenny Lin at his side by the time the initial Agreement had been e-signed by Ms. Zhu. The buyer cannot waive an inspection that has already been completed. Mr. Miao inspected the property again after the initial Purchase Agreement was signed. At no time did Mr. Miao or Ms. Zhu waive the right to inspect. Again, both the first and second Purchase Agreements were completed by InvestPro agents allegedly representing Plaintiff at the time of the transaction.

- (h) p. 4, ¶ 10. "Notably, although Ms. Zhu had not initialed the "Failure to Cancel or Resolve Objections" provision in the RPA, she initialed the corresponding provision in the 2nd RPA." *WLAB inspected the property with Kenny Lin on August 10*, 2017.
- (i) p. 4, \P 11. "Although Ms. Zhu had actual knowledge of the Seller's Disclosures, and the Parties agreed to extend the COE to January 5, 2018, Ms. Zhu still never did any professional inspections." Frank Miao did inspection with Kenny Kin and put out correction items.
- (j) p. 5, ¶ 15. "Plaintiff was a sophisticated buyer who understood the necessity of getting the properties inspected." Plaintiff did inspect the property on August 10, 2017, with Mr. Lin. The major defects were covered up and Lin had lied to Mr. Miao about the rehabilitation.
- (k) p. 5, ¶ 17. "As to Paragraph 7(A), Mr. Miao specified that he believe that his inspection and conversations with the tenant constituted the action necessary to deem the Property as satisfactory for Plaintiff's purchase." Due to defendant Kenny Lin lying to Mr. Miao and covering up major foundation and structural defects by putting laminate wood flooring and ceramic tile over the major defect, Mr. Miao could not discovery these hidden defects during inspection without destructive inspection which the purchase agreement did not allow.
- (l) p. 5, ¶ 18. "... Plaintiff had access to inspect the entire property and conduct non-invasive, non-destructive inspections: ..." The serious foundational, structural and sewage line issues, which were covered up with laminate wood and ceramic floor tile, would have only been discovered with a destructive open up inspection.
- $\mbox{(m)} \quad \mbox{p. 6, \P 19. "Prior to the purchase, Mr. Miao was always aware that the} \\ \mbox{Seller "strongly recommended that buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct} \\$

inspections." Kenny Lin said nothing about retaining a licensed inspector. He knew that Mr. Miao was inspecting the building. Mr. Lin was also aware that whether the inspector was licensed or not, he had covered up the significant defects in the property which could not have been discovered without pulling up the floors. After Defendants purchased the property at auction, this property was listed more than three times from January 9, 2016 to August 10, 2017. Each time, the property was removed from escrow which meant Sellers had to go back to the drawing board and make a better effort to cover up the significant issues with the property. Defendants did not actually fix the defects. They simply covered them up.

- (n) p. 6, \P 20. "Plaintiff was also aware of the language in the RPA under Paragraph 7(D) that limited potential damages that could have been discovered by an inspection." The key issue is Defendants did unlawful things and covered up problems with the property. They put making money above tenant and investor safety.
- (o) p. 7, ¶ 22. "Based on his own belief, he does not believe that a professional inspection is necessary for multi-tenant residential properties." Mr. Miao is wondering if summary judgment was granted because the Court believes that professional licensed inspections are required. Mr. Miao is a professional. He knows building and apartments very well. Mr. Miao is not aware of any legal requirement that a buyer is required to retain a licensed inspector before purchasing an apartment, in this case, a triplex. For multi-tenant residential properties in Las Vegas involving many thousands of units, it is virtually impossible to inspect each and every unit in 14 days which is why law requires work on rental units to be done by licensed contractors followed by inspection and permitting by city building and safety departments.
- (p) p. 8, ¶ 26. "During that time, he admitted that he noticed some issues with the Property that were not up to code, finishing issues, GFCI outlets, and electrical

issues:" As stated, Mr. Miao instructed Kenny Lin to put smoke and CO detectors in the units only to find out that after the purchase, Lin had removed the CO detectors after they were installed. Defendants had hidden some GFCI required outlets by covering up or installing non-functioning GFCI outlets without using a licensed electrician which was dangerous for the tenants. Defendants did not want to use a licensed electrician because a licensed electrician would have asked to pull permits. The city inspector may have found out about the defects and shut down the apartment.

- (q) p. 8, \P 28. "Additionally, Mr. Miao noted that there were cracks in the ceramic floor tiles, Id. at 249: 22-25, and he was aware of visible cracks in the concrete foundation, Id. at 269: 13-22 (aware of slab cracks), which were open and obvious." Mr. Miao noticed a few cracks in the ceramic floor tiles in Unit C living room. Mr. Miao was not able to see the foundation as it was covered with newly installed flooring. It was at this point Lin explained to Mr. Miao that they had rehabilitated the entire triplex.
- (r) p. 9, \P 31. As to SRPDF, Plaintiff was aware that TKNR was an investor who had not resided in the Property, and there were issues with the heating systems, cooling systems, and that there was work done without permits and all the work was done by a handyman other than the HVAC installation." When Mr. Miao inspected the property the Defendant Lin, Lin explained that InvestPro had rehabilitated the property. There was no defect found at the time of the inspection that would have raised any concern.
- (s) p. 9, \P 32. "Despite these disclosures, Mr. Miao never followed up." There were no defects observed at the time of the inspection. They were all covered up.
- (t) p. 9, \P 33. "However, Mr. Miao also admitted that he could have followed up on the issues identified in the SRPDF that included the HVAC and the permits:" SRPDF only disclosed that there was a new air conditioner but never mentioned that the air conditioners replaced swamp coolers. Mr. Miao later learned after a leak in one of the

units that the ducting had not been changed from the swamp cooler to air conditioning.

This was only learned after opening up the ceiling.

- (u) p. 10, ¶ 34. "Similarly, Mr. Miao was aware that he should have contacted the local building department as part of his due diligence:" There was no reason to contact the building department as Sellers did not disclose any activity that would have required a permit. Specifically, they disclosed a new kitchen cabinet in each unit, brand new AC installed and three bedrooms were redone. There was no mentioned that the air conditioning units were replacing swamp coolers which required new electrical and plumbing which would have required a permit. If the AC units were replacing AC units, permits would not need to be pulled. Based on the information provided by Lin and in Sellers' disclosures, Mr. Miao was not aware of any activity that would have required a permit. It was also learned after the walls were opened that Defendants had not properly wired the AC units leaving wires exposed and presenting a potential fire danger.
- (v) p. 10, \P 35. "Plaintiff was on notice of the potential for mold and the requirement to get a mold inspection." This is a rental property. By law, the seller must provide a safe, habitable apartment to the tenants. No tenant will check mold and have professional mold inspection. Further, mold testing usually requires a destructive inspection to verify in ceiling and behind walls.
- (w) p. 11, \P 37. "Disclosure of unknown defects not required. Form does not constitute warranty duty of buyer and prospective buyer to exercise reasonable care." Mr. Miao's issue with Sellers' disclosures is that they failed to disclose defects that they were aware of. The Handyman's invoice for patching the concrete underscores that the Sellers were aware of the condition of the foundation when they sold the triplex and failed to disclose to Plaintiff.

- (x) p. 12, \P 39. "The alleged defects identified by both parties' experts could have been discovered at the time of the original purchase." *Again, the foundation, wall cracks, AC wiring and ducting, dryer venting, were all under flooring or within the ceilings and walls of the units. These defects would have only been uncovered with prohibitive destructive open up inspection.*
- (y) p. 13, ¶ 43. "Additionally, Mr. Miao accompanied Defendants' expert during his inspection." Defendants' expert did not show all of the pictures taken which reflect new cracks.
- (z) p. 12, \P 44. "Mr. Miao agreed with Defendants' expert that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's expert were "Open and obvious": "Mr. Miao was not shown all of the photographs during his deposition. There were many more new cracks observed than in 2017 at the time of Mr. Miao's inspection. The new cracks were hidden by coating materials, dry wall, joint compounds and new floors.
- (aa) p. 13, ¶ 45. "He also agreed with Defendants' expert's finding that there was no noticeable sagging in the roof." The roof leak was not caused by sagging. It was caused by a broken seal on the roof.
- (bb) p., ¶ 46. "Incredibly, Mr. Miao also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it and those afterwards." New cracks appeared after Defendants hid the original cracking. When Mr. Miao inspected the property with Lin, there was not nearly as much cracking as there is now. Defendants hid most of the cracks and defects. There were dryers and washers installed in the units in 2017 were vented to the attic. The vents ran through the walls. The venting cause moisture in the attic which resulted in the ceilings being opened for find the leaks. It was discovered at that time,

after the ceilings were opened, that the dryer had been vented to the attic. Lin at no time explained how the dryers had been vented.

- (cc) p. 13, ¶ 47. "No dispute exists that TKNR did not need permits for the interior work it had done to the Property." Mr. Miao ultimately learned that the AC units had replaced swamp coolers and that the ducting had not been changed to allow for AC units until after the ceiling was opened up. The new plumbing and electrical for the new AC units would have had to be inspected. Again, Mr. Miao did not know that the new AC units did not replace other AC units. Because these units are for lease, the work should have been performed by licensed contractors which is why the work was not done by Defendants as it should have been. One unit had a window AC unit the installation of which should have been performed by a licensed contractor with permit and inspection by the city.
- (dd) p. 14, ¶ 48. "Since the date it purchased the Property, Plaintiff has always been trying to lease it. . . . According to Mr. Miao, the landlord must provide safe housing for the tenant." Lin and his company InvestPro were the property managers for the property after Plaintiff's purchase. Lin knowingly leased the property to tenants knowing that the property was unsafe. Once Mr. Miao learned of the foundation and sewage line defects, he removed all tenants until they are fixed.
- (ee) p. 15, ¶ 49. "Moreover, Plaintiff does not provide any notice to the tenants about its expert's report or this litigation." Since purchasing the property, Mr. Miao has made many repairs as they are discovered with licensed contractors. Specifically, once Mr. Miao found out about the foundation and sewer line defects, he asked the tenants to move out immediately.
- (ff) p. 15, ¶ 50. "This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff's claim, proven that it has done nothing to correct the allegedly deficient conditions that are clearly not so

dangerous as it does not tell prospective tenants about them." Mr. Miao has repaired many defects with licensed contractors. It is only with the discovery of the foundation and sewer line defects that Mr. Miao had discontinued attempted to repair the triplex.

- (gg) p. 15-16, \P 51. "Mr. Miao admitted that multiple third parties could have potentially damaged the Property." The major cracks in the walls and floors were not done by third parties. The major defects were not done by third parties.
- (hh) p. 16, \P 52. "Plaintiff's case is based on speculation that Defendants knew about the alleged conditions in the Property; however, Mr. Miao admitted that there is no evidence that shows Defendants knew about them." As stated, Mr. Miao believes there is substantial evidence that Defendants knew about the defects.
- (ii) p. 17, \P 55. "Mr. Miao also recognized that a 63-year-old property could have issues that were not caused by Defendants." It is not the fact that Defendants didn't cause the foundation or sewer issues, it is the fact that they did not disclose and hid these issues when they sold the property to Mr. Miao's company.
- (jj) p. 17, ¶ 56. "Plaintiff did not identify any discovery illustrating a genuine issue of material fact that Defendants knew of the alleged issues with the Property that they had not already disclosed on Seller's Disclosures." Numerous photographs of cracking floors and walls were produced in discovery which reflected cracks not present at the time of Mr. Miao's inspection. Additionally, the floor continues to buckle and as it did, the floor was pulled up which revealed foundation damage as previous mentioned.
- (kk) p. 17, ¶ 58. "The Flipping Fund had nothing to do with Plaintiff's decision to purchase the Property." The subject triplex was one of the Flipping Fund projects. As stated by Lin, the property was purchased at auction and renovated. The Flipping Fund had everything to do with the alleged rehabilitation of the property as that is what they do, buy, rehabilitate (cover up in this case) and sell for a large profit.

(ll) p. 17, ¶ 59. "Initially, Mr. Miao contacted contractors to bid the potential cost of repair for the Property and determined that it would have been \$102,873.00. . . . However, Plaintiff's expert opined that the cost of repair would have been \$600,000.00, although he did not provide an itemized cost of repair." *Initially, the cost of repair to fix the electrical and ductwork inside the ceiling was \$102,873.00. However, by the time Plaintiff's expert inspected the property, much more was known about the property and, therefore, the cost of repair was much higher.*

(mm) p. 18, ¶ 60. "He denied, under the penalty of perjury, that he never made an offer to settle this matter for \$10,000.00." This statement completely misrepresents what actually transpired. After Plaintiff purchased the property, the fuses to the AC units kept burning out. Mr. Miao hired an electrician to figure out what the problem was. It was learning that when Defendants installed the air conditioners, there was not sufficient room in the electrical box to wire the air conditioners. Therefore, Defendants' handyman piggy-backed the AC wiring onto another fuse which caused the fuse to overload and fail. The electrician estimated the cost of repair to be \$10,000.00. Since the electrical problem was Defendants' doing, Mr. Miao approached Lin about paying \$10,000.00 to repair the electrical. Mr. Miao believes this offer to resolve the electrical issue was prior to a lawsuit being filed. The condition of the wiring was not open and obvious as suggested in paragraph 62 of the order as the wiring was hidden behind the wall. The wall had to be opened up to discover the electrical issue.

(nn) p. 24, ¶ 62. "Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the electrical system and items not up to code at the time that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the electrical system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017." Defendants did not disclose electrical system changes. They are not "open and obvious" as they were hidden behind the wall. As stated,

when Defendants changed out the swamp cooler for an air conditioner, they simply piggy-backed the AC wiring on already existing wiring on the fuse which caused the fuse to overload and burn out. The electrical panel was insufficient to handle the load which required re-wiring by a licensed electrician. Further, when the AC unit was added, additional electrical wiring was required which required a permit and inspection.

- (00) p. 25, ¶ 63. "Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the plumbing system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, profession inspection could have discovered in 2017." Mr. Miao learned of the septic issue when the tenants left the property and reported issues with the sewage. Sewage had backed up in one of the tubs which was discovered after the tenant left. Residue from the sewage backup was found in the tub (See Exhibit "7"). Mr. Miao further learned from the tenant in Unit A and the former tenant that the sewage issue was something Defendants were aware of as they had previously investigated the problem.
- (pp) p. 25, ¶ 64. "As to 31(c), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose the use of a handyman, the lack of permits, and issues with the sprinklers. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the sewer system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017." There is no sprinkler system. The sewer issue was not open and obvious and could not have been discovered with a typical professional inspection. Defendants were aware of the issue and had an obligation to report the sewer problem to Plaintiff.
- (qq) p. 25, ¶ 65. The order suggests that the conditions were open and obvious. Defendants were aware of these issues and failed to disclose. These issues were not "open and obvious." They were discovered after Mr. Miao opened walls, ceilings and floor coverings.

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- (rr) p. 25, ¶ 66. "As to 31(e), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits." A licensed professional inspection cannot and would not discover all of these defects. The issue with the AC wiring behind the wall was not visible without doing some destructive investigation. At no time did Defendants disclose that their handyman was not licensed, which is unlawful.
- p. 26, ¶ 67. "As to 31(f), this allegation illustrates the prior knowledge (ss) that Plaintiff had before purchasing the Property, and the overall emphasis on the failure to obtain a professional inspection of the Property prior to purchasing it." 31(f) refers to the fact that smoke detectors were missing at the time of the inspection. This allegation says nothing about the serious problems with the Property that Defendants had covered up and that were not readily detectible at the time of Mr. Miao's inspection. Obviously, Mr. Miao did not see the foundation damage at the time of the inspection as it was covered by wood laminate and ceramic flooring. The order implies that an inspection done by a "professional inspector" would have noticed that serious foundation damage without pulling up the flooring. Mr. Miao was also not aware that the HVAC system had been changed three times until the receipts were disclosed in this case. Mr. Miao was not aware of the shoddy and illegal electrical work that had been done and which was hidden behind the walls. It took a tenant complaining about a fuse and the subsequent retention of a licensed electrician to go into the wall to discover what Defendants had done. It was a tenant and former tenant reporting about the sewage problems as well as sewage remnants in a bathtub for Mr. Miao to become aware of that problem. It took a leaking ceiling and opening of the ceiling before Mr. Miao became aware that Defendants had vented the dryer exhaust to the attic and that Defendants had not properly changed out the swamp cooler ducting for insulated air conditioning ducting. Walls had been covered so

as the time of the inspection by Mr. Miao, very few if any cracks in the walls were observed. However, as the foundation and walls shifted over time, the cracks in the walls reappeared revealing what Defendants had covered up. To suggest that the discovery of missing smoke detectors is somehow indicative of the extent of Mr. Miao's knowledge at the time of the inspection is ridiculous.

- (tt) p. 26, \P 68. "Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues." The issues were created by the Defendants, so they obviously had knowledge.
- (uu) p. 26. ¶ 69. "Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017." *Mr. Miao did not see visible cracking on the foundation at the time of his inspections as the foundation was covered with flooring during the August 2017 inspections*.
- (vv) p. 26, ¶70. "Mr. Miao admitted that he should have followed up related to the permit issue prior to Plaintiff purchasing the Property." It's as if Defendants are suggesting that Plaintiff should have put more effort into uncovering Defendants' deceptions. In other words, you knew that the work was done by an unlicensed handyman. You should have assumed that the work was not done correctly or pursuant to the law. Defendant failed to disclose anything of substance like the fact that the wiring was improperly done when the AC units were put in. Defendant failed to disclose anything about the dryer exhaust venting to the attic, the improper ducting after the air conditioners were put in or that the wall coverings and flooring were covering up significant issues with the walls and foundation. Defendants suggest that had an inspection been done, Mr. Miao would have noticed all the problems. However, as stated, Defendants had covered up the problems.

(ww) p. 26, ¶71. "Additionally, he specified that he noted issues were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017." Mr. Miao did not see visible cracking in the foundation at the time of his inspections. Again, Defendants had covered the problems with the foundation with flooring. The only way Mr. Miao would have been aware of the significant issues with the foundation is if Lin told Lin Lin

(xx) p. 27, ¶72. ""Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017. ... Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues and also admitted that squatters and tenants could have damaged the Property." Squatters and tenants could not have caused the foundation and walls to crack. Even if squatters and tenants did cause the damage, Defendants were aware of the damage and covered it up.

(yy) p. 27, ¶ 73. "As to the Broker Defendants, Ms. Zhu agreed that she was not relying upon any representations made by Brokers or Broker's agent." Regardless of the inspections by Mr. Miao and what he discovered during his inspection, Defendants should have warned Mr. Miao and Ms. Zhu about serious conditions which they covered up. Mr. Miao was relying upon his broker to tell him about conditions which could not be seen with a routine inspection. Mr. Miao believes his agents should have told him about the fact that

they were also financially tied to the sellers in that they were the Flipping Fund, they had put the investors together, they had a financial interest in monies made from the transaction and that it was their handyman who had made the purported repairs.

(zz) p. 28, ¶74. Mr. Miao walked the property with Defendants' expert, Neil Opfer. By the time Mr. Miao walked the property with Mr. Opfer, numerous cracks had appeared in the walls which were not visible at the time of Mr. Miao's inspection on August 10, 2017.

(aaa) p. 28, \P 75. "Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's alleged expert were open and obvious." Mr. Miao does not agree that the conditions which ultimately appeared in the roof and interior and exterior walls were open and obvious at the time of his pre-purchase inspection.

(bbb) p. 28, ¶ 76. "Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that Plaintiff's expert did not do any destructive testing, so the same alleged conditions that the alleged expert notes, would have been made by an inspector at the time of the purchase." The conditions complained of were not visible at the time of the 2017 inspection as they had been covered up by Defendants.

Lin's Affidavit

Mr. Lin, in his declaration attached to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, states in ¶ 2 that he submitted seller disclosures on August 2, 2017. Mr. Miao had not even met Mr. Lin before August 10, 2017. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Mr. Miao first met Mr. Lin on August 10, 2017, at the time of his inspection of the subject property. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). In ¶¶ 3 and 7, Lin states that he told Mr. Miao and Ms. Zhu to get an inspection of the Property. At no time did Lin tell Mr. Miao that he needed to get an inspection of the Property as Mr. Miao had already inspected the property with Lin. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Mr. Lin was also the seller's agent so after the initial signing of the Residential Purchase

Agreement Mr. Miao only communicated with Ms. Chen, the buyer's agent. (See Exhibit "1",
\P 17). In \P 4, Lin says that Mr. Miao did not inspect the property. (See Exhibit "1", \P 17).
Again, Mr. Miao inspected the Property on several occasions, the first time with Lin present
on August 10, 2017. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Mr. Lin stated to Mr. Miao that they had entirely
rehabilitated the Property including the walls and floors. (See Exhibit "1", \P 17). In \P 5, Lin
states that the rehabilitation done on the Property did not involve opening walls. They had
to open the walls to install the window AC units. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Lin further states
that on multiple occasions he disclosed the work on the HVAC units to Mr. Miao. (See
Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Mr. Miao was aware that the HVAC units had been recently put in but he
was not aware that the AC units were replacing a swamp cooler. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Lin
did not disclose the installation of the HVAC units to Mr. Miao. (See Exhibit "1", \P 17). In \P
8, Lin states that TKNR did not reside or visit the property implying that Defendants knew
very little about the property. TKNR, Lin and InvestPro were all related. (See Exhibit "1", \P
17). TKNR was part of Mr. Lin's flipping fund. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Lin put the investor's
together and purchased the property. (See Exhibit "1", \P 17). It was Lin and his handyman
who performed the rehabilitation of the Property. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). In ¶ 10, Lin states
that original settlement demand was \$10,000.00. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). There were no
demands made to Defendants after the lawsuit was filed. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Mr. Miao
had approached Lin about the electrical issues he discovered in the wall relating to the
installation of the air conditioners. (See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17). Mr. Miao asked Lin to pay the
anticipated costs of repairing the electrical wiring which was approximately \$10,000.00.
(See Exhibit "1", ¶ 17).

A. <u>Defendants were required to submit admissible facts in support of their Motion for Summary Judgment.</u>

Evidence introduced in support of or in opposition to a motion for summary judgment must be based upon admissible evidence. *Collins v. Union Federal Savings and Loan Association*, 99 Nev. 284, 302, 662 P.2d 610, 621 (1983); *Beyene v. Coleman Security Services, Inc.*, 854 F.2d 1179, 1181, 1182 (9th Cir. 1988); *Henry Prods. V. Tarmu*, 114 Nev. 1017, 1019, 967 P.2d 444, 445 (1998). Authentication is a condition precedent to admissibility requiring all evidence presented in support of a motion for summary judgment to be authenticated. *Thomas v. BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP*, 373 P.3d 967, 2011 WL 6743044, 2 (2011); NRS 52.015. A trial court can only consider admissible evidence in ruling on a motion for summary judgment. *Romero v. Nevada Department of Corrections*, 2013 WL 6206705, p. 3 (U.S. Dist. Nev. 2013); *Orr v. Bank of America, NT & SA*, 285 F.3d 764, 773 (9th Cir., 2002).

Defendants reference the Residential Purchase Agreement without laying any foundation for the Agreement. Defendants simply attach the Agreement to their motion and continually reference this hearsay document without laying any foundation for the admissibility of the document. On page 4 of Defendants motion, they again reference a hearsay document, the 2nd Residential Purchase Agreement, without providing any foundation with admissible evidence for the document. Defendants' entire motion for summary judgment is based on hearsay documents. Statements made in Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment with respect to these unauthenticated documents is nothing more than arguments of counsel.

On page 4 of Defendants' motion, Defendants attach and discuss an email from Chen to Ms. Zhu again without providing any foundation for the email. The email in and of itself is nothing more than inadmissible hearsay. On page 5, Defendants refer to the addendum to

Exhibit E, the new Residential Purchase Agreement dated September 5, 2017, and again fail to provide any foundation. There is not one iota of sworn statements or affidavits authenticating anything in Defendants' original brief supporting their Motion for Summary Judgment. The Opfer report is referred to on Page 6. Again, the report is a hearsay document completely lacking any foundation. The report is not a sworn statement. Defendants refer to various entries in the report, all of which constitute inadmissible evidence without any foundation. The order granting Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment contains Findings of Fact in paragraphs 1 through 11 which were not supported by any admissible evidence. The findings contained in these paragraphs were nothing more than arguments of counsel in Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. Defendants did not present anything admissible until they submitted their Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition when they referenced Mr. Miao's deposition testimony.

It is axiomatic that the party moving for summary judgment has the burden of demonstrating clearly that there are no genuine issues of material fact to be determined. City of Boulder City v. State, 106 Nev. 390, 793 P.2d 845 (1990). Once the movant has made a prima facie demonstration of no issues of fact, the party opposing summary judgment has the burden of coming forward with evidence in the form of specific facts to show the existence of a material fact. A failure to do so requires the court to enter judgment as a matter of law. NRCP 56(e); Dredge Corp. v. Husite Co., 78 Nev. 69, 369 P.2d 676 (1962); Bulbman, Inc. v. Nevada Bell, 108 Nev. 105, 852 P.2d 588 (1992). The moving party has the initial burden of identifying the portions of the materials on file that it believes demonstrate the absence of a genuine issue of material fact. Id.; T.W. Elec. Serv., Inc. v. Pacific Elec. Contractors Ass'n, 809 F.2d 626, 630 (C.A.9, 1987). Arguably, Plaintiff was not required to submit any admissible facts in response to Defendants' motion as Defendants' had not referenced one original admissible fact in their initial brief.

Based upon Defendants' failure to submit any admissible evidence in their opening brief to Motion for Summary Judgment, Plaintiff respectfully requests an order reconsidering the granting of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment.

B. <u>Numerous factual issues exist as to what Defendants knew, what they attempted to cover up and what they were required to disclose.</u>

In ¶ 7 of the Amended Order dated April 7, 2021, the Court cites *Mackintosh v. Jack Matthews and Company*, 109 Nev. 628, 633, 855 P.2d 549, 552 (1993), as standing for the proposition that nondisclosures by Sellers are not actionable when the property is sold "as is." However, like Nevada, most states do not shield sellers with "as is" clauses who have fraudulently misrepresented the condition of property or who have intentionally concealed known defects. *Mackintosh v. Jack Matthews and Company*, 109 Nev. 628, 632, 855 P.2d 549, 552 (1993).

Other Courts have followed this rule and recognized that an "as is" provision in a contract for the sale of realty does not preclude an action by the buyer for nondisclosure. See, e.g., Rayner v. Wise Realty Co., 504 So.2d 1361 (Fla.Dist.Ct.App.1987) (holding "as is" clause does not bar a claim for nondisclosure against real estate agency that failed to inform buyer of damage to home from prior termite infestation); Silva v. Stevens, 156 Vt. 94, 589 A.2d 852 (1991) (finding a seller of a home has a duty to speak based on superior knowledge of material facts and he knows them not to be within reach of the diligent attention, observation, and judgment of the purchaser); Stemple v. Dobson, 184 W.Va. 317, 400 S.E.2d 561 (1990) ("as is" clause does not relieve vendor of the obligation to disclose a condition that substantially affects the value or habitability of property which was known to the vendor, and unknown to the buyer, and would not be disclosed by reasonable inspection.)

Id. at 633, 553. Even in cases not involving "as is" clauses, actions for fraud will arise from nondisclosure when the seller has knowledge of material facts that are not available to the buyer. *Epperson v. Roloff*, 102 Nev. 206, 213, 719 P.2d 799, 804 (1986) The Nevada Supreme Court in *Epperson* further submitted that a defendant may be liable for misrepresentation even when the Defendant did not make an express misrepresentation but instead made

representations which were misleading because they partially suppressed or concealed information. *Id.*

The Court, in ¶ 9, references NRS 113.130-140 stating that the seller does not have a duty to disclose defects of which it is unaware. That is the point of this case. Plaintiff contends that there were numerous defects in the property that Defendants were aware of which they not only had a duty to disclose but that they covered up so Plaintiff could not find the defects prior to closing. Whether or not any of this is true is for a jury to decide. Specifically, what did Defendants know, what did Defendants cover up and what were Defendants required to disclose? Plaintiff would further submit that what an inspection by Mr. Miao or anyone else would have uncovered considering what Defendants were hiding is also at issue and should be decided by a jury.

After purchasing the subject property, Defendants obviously realized they were stuck with a property that should have been condemned. Because they were in the business of "flipping" properties, certain things had to be done to hide the dilapidated condition of the triplex before it could be sold. The foundation to the triplex was structurally unsound. As can be seen from the photographs in Exhibit "3", Defendants attempted to patch the foundation so that flooring could be laid to hide the condition of the foundation. As per the purchase agreement, Mr. Miao could inspect the property so long as it did not involve "non-invasive/non-destructive" inspections. $See \ \P 7(A)$ of Residential Purchase Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "5". In other words, Mr. Miao was not allowed to pull up sections of the floor or pull-down wall coverings to see what Defendants were hiding in the floor and walls.

In the Seller's Real Property Disclosure Form attached hereto as Exhibit "6", Defendants checked "no" to the following:

- 1(a) Previous or current moisture conditions and/or water damage? (This property has had a history of sewage backup and a broken sewer line that has left the foundation to the property inundated with raw sewage and water.)
- 1(b) Any structural defect? (A trier of fact would have to look no further than photographs of the foundation taken within the last 30 days by Mr. Miao after pulling up the buckled floor installed by Defendants' handyman to ascertain the condition of the foundation.)
- state, city or county building permits? (Defendants checked "no" initially and then thought better of it after considering all of the changes they had made to the property to cover up building defects. Defendants' description of what was done without a license was installing kitchen cabinets and three AC units. Defendants further state "all work done by owner's handyman, owner never reside in the property and never visited the property." Defendants were obviously trying to cover up what they had done to the property with this incredibly suspicious statement. Even though their "handyman" patched the foundation, laid laminate flooring through-out all three units, painted, put up wall coverings, installed a dryer duct to the attic and installed two air conditioner units, Defendants wanted the buyer to believe that they "never visited the property" and "never reside in the property" as if to lay foundation for deniability when it was discovered what they were hiding in other words, blame it on the handyman. Defendants apparently wanted the buyer to believe that they purchased a triplex without ever seeing or visiting the property.)
- 2(b) Any foundation sliding, settling, movement, upheaval, or earth stability problems that have occurred on the property? (See photographs in Exhibit "3")

- 2(c) Any drainage, flooding, water seepage, or high water table? (Defendants checked this box "no" with the knowledge that sewage had been backing up as a result of a broken sewer line.)
- 6(a) Any substances, materials, or products which may be an environmental hazard such as but not limited to, asbestos, radon gas, urea formaldehyde, fuel or chemical storage tanks, contaminated water or soil on the property? (*Defendants were aware that the sewer line was broken causing sewage to backup under the foundation and into the plumbing.*)

As can be seen from Defendants' disclosures, Defendants not only failed to make necessary disclosures concerning the serious condition of the property, they made material misrepresentations when they checked "no" to conditions found in the triplex.

Summary Judgment must be rendered if there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. *Id.*; NRCP 56(c); *See also Bird v. Casa Royal W.*, 97 Nev. 67, 624 P.2d 17 (1981); *Montgomery v. Ponderosa Construction, Inc.*, 101 Nev. 416, 705 P.2d 652 (1985); *Pegasus v. Reno Newspapers, Inc.*, 118 Nev. 706, 57 P.3d 82 (2002). Plaintiff has identified numerous factual issues in its' opposition and in this motion for reconsideration, especially the recent discovery of the condition of the triplex foundation, which would preclude summary judgment in this case. As stated, those issues go to what Defendants knew, what Defendants attempted to hide and what disclosures should Defendants have made prior to closing as compared with the disclosures they actually made.

C. Plaintiff's pleadings are not worthy of Rule 11 sanctions.

In this case, the Plaintiff, an LLC, was represented by counsel, Mr. Benjamin Childs. In signing the pleadings, Mr. Childs was representing to the Court that Plaintiff's claims were warranted by existing law and were not frivolous and that the factual contentions had evidentiary support and would likely have evidentiary support after a reasonable

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opportunity for further discovery. (See NRCP 11(b)(2)(3)). Rule 11 further requires that any motion for sanctions be made "separately from another other motion and must describe the specific conduct that allegedly violates Rule 11(b)." NRCP 11(c)(2). Finally, a rule 11 sanction should only be imposed "to deter repetition of the conduct or comparable conduct by other similarly situated." NRCP 11(c)(4). There are further limitations on monetary sanctions as the court is ordered in this case "against a represented party for violating Rule 11(b)(2). In awarding sanctions to Defendants, The Court has implied that Plaintiff's action is frivolous in that "the pleading was not "well grounded in fact and is warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification or reversal of existing law" and "Plaintiff's attorney continued to make frivolous claims." See Amended Order dated April 7, 2021, ¶ 78. The Court accordingly awarded sanctions: "Sanctions are warranted against Plaintiff and its counsel, which includes an award attorneys' fees to Defendants." Amended Order, ¶ 78. Since Steven Day was Plaintiff's counsel at the time of the hearing having substituted in for Mr. Childs the day prior to the hearing, the Order seems to include Mr. Day and his firm for simply arguing (advocating) on behalf of the Plaintiff. It would be breaking new ground if an attorney were sanctioned for simply arguing a motion after making an appearance the day before and otherwise advocating for a client. Mr. Day asks the Court for clarification if he and his firm and to be included in the sanctions. NRCP 11(c)(5)(A) seems to preclude the court from awarding monetary sanctions against the Plaintiff based upon the Court's justification for sanctions.

As stated in this motion, Plaintiff's case is based on its belief that it was fraudulently induced in buying a triplex that should have been condemned. Plaintiff's argument is that Defendants hid evidence of which it was aware and of which it had an obligation to disclose to Plaintiff.

Plaintiff's causes of action include fraud, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty and violations of NRS chapters 645 and 113. NRS 113.130(b) requires the seller to disclose defects of which the seller is aware:

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2:
- (a) At least 10 days before residential property is conveyed to a purchaser:
- (1) The seller shall complete a disclosure form regarding the residential property; and $\,$
- (2) The seller or the seller's agent shall serve the purchaser or the purchaser's agent with the completed disclosure form.
- (b) If, after service of the completed disclosure form but before conveyance of the property to the purchaser, a seller or the seller's agent discovers a new defect in the residential property that was not identified on the completed disclosure form or discovers that a defect identified on the completed disclosure form has become worse than was indicated on the form, the seller or the seller's agent shall inform the purchaser or the purchaser's agent of that fact, in writing, as soon as practicable after the discovery of that fact but in no event later than the conveyance of the property to the purchaser. If the seller does not agree to repair or replace the defect, the purchaser may:
- (1) Rescind the agreement to purchase the property; or
- (2) Close escrow and accept the property with the defect as revealed by the seller or the seller's agent without further recourse.

NRS 113.140 (1) does not impose a requirement on a seller to disclose a defect of which the seller is not aware. Determination of whether a seller was aware of a defect which would trigger the statutory duty to disclose "is a question of fact to be decided by the trier of fact." *Nelson v. Heer*, 123 Nev. 217, 224, 163 P.3d 420, 425 (2007).

Defendants' disclosure was essentially that the property was purchased at auction and it has been completely rehabilitated. Plaintiff has discussed Defendants' disclosure above which says nothing about defective wiring, dryer venting, ductwork, foundation, wall cracking and sewer. Plaintiff's position is that Defendants were aware of these conditions and failed to

disclose as required by NRS 113.130. Further, whether or not Defendants were aware of these defects and, therefore, required to disclose is a question of fact.

Plaintiff has causes of action for constructive fraud, common law fraud, fraudulent inducement and fraudulent concealment. Constructive fraud does not require fraudulent intent or in other words, the fraud was committed without regard to motive. It is the breach of some legal or equitable duty which, irrespective of moral guilt, the law declares as fraudulent because of its tendency to deceive others. The duty arises out of a fiduciary or confidential relationship. Long v. Towne, 98 Nev. 11, 13, 639 P.2d 528, 530 (1982). Plaintiff submits that the duty arises out of Defendants Lin and InvestPro's duty to Plaintiff as its agent. Plaintiff alleges that InvestPro had a duty to let Plaintiff know that it was part of the deal; i.e., it put Sellers' deal together, brought the investors into the deal and was going to receive 25% of the profit from the deal at closing. Lin and InvestPro had a duty to let Plaintiff know about hidden defects in the subject property that were hidden because of the efforts of Defendants. There is nothing frivolous about this claim, if true. It is up to a trier of fact to determine the truth of Plaintiff's factual allegations.

As the court is aware, the elements of fraud are a false statement made with the intent of inducing another's reliance and damages resulting from that reliance. *Nelson* at 225, 426. Plaintiff has presented facts which create issues as to truth of Defendants' representations at the time of the transactions, Plaintiff's reliance upon those representations and damages. Plaintiff further claims that Defendants intended to induce Plaintiff to purchase the subject property and that the fraudulently concealed known defects.

Plaintiff has a cause of action for breach of fiduciary duty against InvestPro, Lin, Nickrandt and Chen. Real estate agents occupy a fiduciary relationship to their clients. Hamby v. St. Paul Mercury Indemn. Co., 217 F.2d 78 (4th Cir., 1954). Clearly a fiduciary relationship exists between Plaintiff and InvestPro, Chen, Lin, etc. If Defendants committed

fraudulent acts against Plaintiff which induced Plaintiff to buy the subject property, Plaintiff is entitled to judgment against these Defendants. Factual issues exist as to whether Defendants breached their obvious fiduciary duty to Plaintiff.

Plaintiff has a cause of action under NRS 645.252(1)(a) which is a duty, as a licensee acting as an agent in a real estate transaction, to disclose material and relevant facts relating to the subject property. Plaintiff obviously submits that Defendants InvestPro, Lin, Chen, etc., violated this particular statute. This is up to the trier of fact to decide. This is not a frivolous claim.

Plaintiff's claims as argued above are not frivolous and certainly not worthy of Rule 11 sanctions. Plaintiff would ask the Court to reconsider its Rule 11 sanctions against Plaintiff and counsel.

CONCLUSION

There are obvious factual issues to be considered by a jury. Those factual issues include:

- 1. What did Defendants know with respect to the condition of the property at the time of the subject real estate transaction?
- 2. Did Defendants attempt to cover-up the condition of the property by installing laminate flooring and wall coverings throughout the complex, by failing to disclose serious structural issues and by making representations that did not accurately reflect the status of the property at the time of sale?
- 3. Were the conditions of the property and Defendants' knowledge of the conditions such that Defendants had a duty to disclose those conditions to Plaintiff at the time of the transaction?

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1	Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff respectfully asks this Court to reconsider the		
	granting of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. Plaintiff and counsel further ask		
3 t	the Court to reconsider its Rule 11 sanctions order.		
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EXHIBIT "1"

AFFIDAVIT OF FRANK MIAO

COUNTY OF CLARK)
) ss.
STATE OF NEVADA)

FRANK MIAO, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says:

- 1. That affiant is a member of WLAB Investment, LLC, the Plaintiff in Nevada Eighth Judicial District Court Case No. A-18-785917-C styled WLAB Investment, LLC v. TKNR, Inc., $et\ al$.
- 2. That affiant is a member of WLAB Investment, LLC, with his wife, Marie Zhu who is also a member of WLAB Investment, LLC. Their intent was to purchase the subject property as part of their retirement plan. This property along with other properties affiant has purchased over time in Southern California and Southern Nevada was meant to provide retirement income.
- 3. Affiant became aware of the subject property for sale via Zillow. During the inspection, affiant inspected the property with Mr. Kenny Lin during the afternoon of August 10, 2017. Affiant asked Mr. Lin about a small crack in the outside sidewalk. Mr. Lin said that they had purchased the property through an auction but that the property had been entirely rehabilitated. Affiant checked out Mr. Lin's company, InvestPro. InvestPro reportedly focused on the customer and further represented that their vendors were licensed and professional who complete cleaning, painting and or make repair when necessary which affiant liked. InvestPro was according to Lin one of the largest realtors in Chinatown. After inspecting the property with Mr. Lin and based upon the representations of Mr. Lin, affiant told his wife to go ahead and sign the purchase agreement after the August 10, 2017 inspection. Ms. Marie Zhu e-signed the Agreement

on August 11, 2017 with the help of Kenny Lin and Le Wei Chen from InvestPro who were the buyer's agents. (August 11, 2017 Resident Purchase Agreement attached as Exhibit "8" to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration). The form had been previously completely prepared by the InvestPro agents. In the August 11, 2017 Residential Purchase Agreement, there is no waiver of due diligence. Affiant had inspected the Property with Lin. During the inspection, affiant informed Mr. Lin that the units needed to have proper GFCI outlets and that smoke, combustible gas and CO detectors needed to be installed since they were required by law. When Ms. Marie Zhu signed the second Residential Purchase Agreement on September 5, 2017, due diligence was waived as affiant had already completed inspections of the subject property. (September 5, 2017 Residential Purchase Agreement attached as Exhibit "8" to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration).

- 4. After the Residential Purchase Agreement was e-signed, affiant visited and inspected the triplex additional times prior to closing. Ceramic tile had been laid in the kitchen, living room, hallway and bathrooms. Laminated wood flooring had been placed in all the bedrooms. Affiant did not notice any issues with the flooring except for a few small cracks in the ceramic tile in Unit C. The floor was not buckling in any of the units. Affiant also did not notice any cracking in the walls inside the triplex during his inspections. The units did look as that they had been recently renovated. At no time during affiant's initial inspection of the triplex did Mr. Lin report that there were significant issues with the foundation and earth movement or that the sewer line was broken causing sewer water backup.
- 5. When considering the purchase of the subject triplex, affiant asked Kenny Lin to be their buyer's agent. After the Residential Purchase Agreement was e-signed, affiant found out Mr. Lin had assigned another agent in his office, Helen Chen, to

represent Plaintiff WLAB Investment. It was Lin's and InvestPro's handyman who had rehabilitated the triplex by covering up the many issues with the building. In hindsight, understanding that Lin knew too much about the undisclosed problems with the building, he probably wanted nothing to do with representing affiant's company.

- 6. After WLAB purchased the 2132 Houston Drive property, affiant retained InvestPro as the property manager as they had been for the seller since they got this triplex in 2015. Affiant went to the InvestPro Christmas party during December, 2017. At the party, Lin explained to affiant that they were buying properties in auctions, then rehabilitate and "flipping" the properties and making large amounts of money. A number of Lin's investors were present during the party and also confirmed that they were making a lot of money. Lin explained that he puts investors together to buy properties for the purpose of flipping the properties. Lin invited affiant to joint his "flipping fund." Lin explained that affiant needed only invest some money and that InvestPro would do everything from buying the properties to remodeling and flipping them. He described it like a mutual fund where he could get a very good return. Lin also mentioned that the 2132 Houston Drive property was one of the projects in the "flipping fund." Investors did not need to know anything about the properties. They simply invested money and Investpro handled the rest like a mutual fund. The mutual fund was also referenced in InvestPro advertisements in local newspapers.
- 7. During approximately June of 2018, the tenant in unit A reported that the fuse to Unit A kept burning out. The tenant reported the issue to InvestPro, the property manager. InvestPro sent their handyman to fix the problem. The handyman's fix was apparently to disconnect some of the other circuits to the fuse which result in the tenant not being able to use all outlets. After complaining to affiant about the problem, affiant

hired a licensed electrical contractor to look at the issue. At that time, the contractor discovered that InvestPro's handyman had disconnected circuits from the fuse. The contractor also learned that when the window ACs were installed, Defendants had piggybacked the AC circuit onto other circuits causing an overload on the fuse without the required permit. The electrical panel further did not have sufficient electrical wattage to power the unit with the addition of the AC units. InvestPro's handyman is not a licensed professional as InvestPro had represented in their website. None of this was disclosed by Lin to affiant prior to the purchase of the triplex. Affiant approached Lin with the contractor's bid asking for \$10,000.00 to fix the electrical problem. Lin said that it was affiant's problem. Affiant ended up paying for the repair.

8. Around October of 2018, water was dripping from unit C's ceiling during hot sunny days. The ceiling was opened up which revealed that Defendants had installed a dryer duct dumping high moisture exhaust gas into the attic instead of venting to outside of the building which was required by law. Affiant also found that the air conditioning ductwork inside the ceiling was not insulated which is also unlawful. Later, affiant discovered that when Defendants replaced swamp cooler with AC, they left the uninsulated swamp cooler duct in the attic. When the highly moist gas from the dryer exhaust cooled with cool air coming from the uninsulated AC duct, condensation occurred causing water dropping onto the unit C ceiling. The wet insulation in the attic was black and no longer working. Affiant hired LVAC to put in new insulated ducting and hired Home Depot to reinsulate the attic. Affiant found that Unit B had the same issue with the dryer vent dumping into the attic. In Unit A, the dryer vent dumped into the wall between two studs and also eventually dumped into the attic. None of this was reported by Linn prior to Plaintiff closing on the triplex.

- 9. During the last several months, affiant has become aware of the condition of the foundation. On February 16, 2021, the flooring in one of the bedrooms in Unit B was pulled up. The laminate wood flooring installed by Kenny Lin/InvestPro's handman had been buckling which prompted affiant to pull up the floor. Upon pulling up the floor, it was observed that the foundation had severely deteriorated and had been covered by laminate flooring so the foundation defects would be concealed. The photographs attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration as Exhibit "3" were taken by affiant and accurately reflect the condition of the foundation on February 16, 2021. Upon seeing the condition of the foundation, it explained the severe cracks in the walls that had been appearing through Defendants' pre-sale renovations. At the time of the pre-purchase inspections of the triplex, there was no serious cracking in the walls. The walls had been covered the plaster and wall coverings to hide the cracks and other wall defects. After closing, cracks started developing again. The photographs of the wall cracks attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration as Exhibit "4" were taken by affiant.
- slow drainage issues with the unit, particularly in the kitchen and bathroom. The tenants in units B and C had complained about drainage issues as early as May or June of 2020. When Nicholas Quioz, the tenant in Unit A, moved out, he explained to affiant that he had moved into the unit during April of 2017. He reported to InvestPro that sewage water had overflowed into Unit A. He reported that InvestPro had spent several weeks trying to open the sewer line. The handyman working on the sewer line explained to Mr. Quioz that the sewer line was broken. Attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration as Exhibit "6" is a photograph taken by affiant of sewage backed up into Unit C's bathtub. Lin said nothing about a broken sewer line prior to or after closing.

- 11. That during the week of March 8, 2021, a next-door neighbor explained to affiant that he had been a tenant of the building during 2016 or 2017. After he moved in, the floor buckled and sewage backed up. He called InvestPro who did nothing about the problem so he moved out.
- 12. The property purchased by WLAB Investments was one of the homes purchased by Lin's flipping fund. TKNR, Inc. who was the seller of the property and which constituted a group of investors who had been put together by Lin and InvestPro. In the disclosure made by the seller attached to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, the seller states that they have never visited the property. This is because the property was one of Mr. Lin's flipping fund properties. Lin handled everything including taking his share of the profit from the sale. It was Lin/InvestPro's handyman who made the repairs to the subject property. Lin was aware that the building was cracking. More importantly, Linn was aware of the condition of the foundation as it was InvestPro's handyman who covered it up. This is why Lin did not want to represent both the buyer and the seller in this transaction as he was aware of the many undisclosed problems with the property.
- 13. Concerning the condition of the foundation, Lin and InvestPro were more than aware of what was going on. Affiant had an opportunity to review a number of the handyman receipts which have been produced in the litigation one of which acknowledges that the handyman "remove 2 rooms laminate and level concrete." (DEF 23) This took place on April 19, 2017. When the flooring began buckling again, affiant pulled the wood laminate up only to find the condition of the foundation that the handyman had covered to be extremely poor rendering the entire triplex structurally unsound. The condition of the floor was also consistent with the recent reports of tenants that the sewer line was

broken resulting in sewage water leakage backing up under the foundation. As reported by Defendants' expert Neil Opfer, the triplex sits on expansive clay which swells up when wet and then compresses when dry. These conditions cause earth movements resulting in foundation and wall cracking.

- 14. Affiant has a PhD in chemical engineering. Because sewage gases are so dangerous, affiant removed all tenants from the property immediately and has not leased units to anyone else. Sewage gas is a complex mixture of toxic and nontoxic gases produced by the decomposition of organic household sewer water. The gases may include hydrogen sulfide, ammonia, methane, esters, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides. Sewer gases are of concern due to health effects and potential for creating fire or explosions. Exposure to sewer gas can happen if the gas seeps in via a leaking plumping drain, vent pipe or even through cracks in a building's foundation. At higher concentrations (> 300 ppm) hydrogen sulfide can cause loss of consciousness and death. Very high concentrations (> 1000 ppm) can result in immediate collapse, occurring after a single breath. Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless, and tasteless toxic and flammable gas. At concentrations above 150 to 200 ppm, disorientation, unconsciousness and death are possible. Sewer gas can contain methane, hydrogen sulfide and carbon monoxide all of which are highly flammable and potentially explosive substances.
- 15. As a result of having a broken sewer line and significant issues with the foundation, as stated, affiant has refused to lease triplex units to other tenants. What concerns affiant is that Lin knowingly put a tenant in the Triplex knowing that the sewage line was broken and presented an extreme health and safety risk to tenants. Lin also sold the property to affiant's company without disclosing the condition of the foundation and

sewer line. Lin's knowledge of the broken sewer line explains other actions prior to Plaintiff purchasing the triplex. During one of his inspections of the subject property with Lin by his side, affiant noticed that the units did not have smoke, CO or combustible gas detectors. Affiant reminded Lin that this was against the county law and asked him to install detectors in each of the units. Lin had CO and smoke detectors installed. However, after Plaintiff's purchase of the triplex, affiant noticed that Linn had removed the CO and combustible gas detectors. Lin has obviously concerned the CO detectors would sound the alarm knowing that the sewer line was broken and the foundation cracked. Sewage gas seeps into the bedrooms through the cracked foundation.

- 16. In going through the amended order, affiant noticed a number of factual representations that he submits are at issue in the case.
- (a) p. 2, ¶ 1. "2132 Houston Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89104 ("Property") was originally constructed in 1954." On November 18, 1994, Cecilia Hernandez, with her family, bought the triplex for \$117,000.00. They leased the property out for rental income. Before or during their ownership, the sewage line broke leaking sewage water under the foundation. The soil has expansive clays. As Defendants' expert Opfer wrote in his report:

The ongoing groundwater condition can impact ground movement particularly with the presence of expansive clays." The point of this discussion is that this then impacts the performance of the walls and concrete floor slabs as to cracking to a significant degree. Cracked floor tile can be replaced in one year only to have the same issues appear again in the next year or year after that as an example. Standard construction materials such as stucco, drywall, floor tile, and concrete will all tend to crack when subjected to these forces. Again, cracking in these materials is seen all over the Las Vegas Valley.

(See Opfer report, pp. 9-10).

Most likely, clay pipe was used for the sewer system connection. . . . It is a well-known fact that vitrified clay pipe is relatively weak and can be easily penetrated by tree roots.

(See Opfer report, p. 14).

According to Opfer, "the issue with expansive clay is that it can swell up (expand) in the presence of water and then compress when it dries out. Note that expansive clays have created residential-foundation problems in many areas." The expansive clay soil with water leaks from a broken sewage line led to earth under the foundation moving and cracking the foundation. The earth movement broke more sewer line and lead to more water leakage causing more slab cracks. The more tenants they had in the apartments. the more sewage water generated and leaked under the foundation causing more foundation cracks and broken sewage line. The Hernandez family used the property as collateral for a \$291,000.00 loan to fix the problems. However, the loan was not sufficient to fix the problems with the property. The tenants moved out so the owners did not have rental income to make the mortgage payment. The bank found out the triplex units could not be rented out to tenants because the units were dangerous because of the foundation and sewage gas. The sewage line needed to be rebuilt along with the foundation and everything else. This is why on September 10, 2015, the bank foreclosed and started the auction at \$52,000.00 (the land value) in spite of their \$291,000.00 loan. Kenny Lin's flipping fund, with TKNR as the buyer, won the auction on 10/9/2015 and listed the triplex for sale three months later at \$188,000.00 on 1/9/2016. Lin/InvestPro knew of the apartment major defects and won the apartment at a very deep discount of market value. Lin/InvestPro rehabilitated the property though they did not fix the foundation or sewage problems. They just had the unlicensed InvestPro handyman cover major defects up and put the property back on the market for \$188,000.00 to make a huge flipping profit.

- (b) p. 3, ¶ 4. "Ms. Zhu waived the Due Diligence condition." Under Paragraph 7(D), "Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law." It was Helen Chen and Kenny Lin from InvestPro who prepared the purchase agreement and checked the box for home inspection by Buyer and waiving other inspection. Plaintiff did not waive right to inspect as evident in both the August 11, 2017 and September 14, 2017 Purchase Agreements. In fact, affiant inspected the property with Kenny Lin on August 10, 2017, before the Purchase Agreement was e-signed on August 11, 2017, pointing out various issues with the Triplex that needed to be fixed before closing. As stated, affiant could not have uncovered the various defects in the property that are at issue as they were covered up by Lin, acting on behalf of Defendant TKNR. The defects were serious and would have only been revealed during an inspection that allowed destructive opening up of the unit as this purchase agreement did not allow. Further, affiant's understanding of the law is that an inspection by a licensed inspector is not required for multi-family rental properties and that Lin is not relieved of his responsibility to disclose known conditions which affect the value of the property.
- (c) p. 3, ¶ 5. "Ms. Zhu also waived the energy audit, pest inspection, roof inspection, septic lid removal inspection, mechanical inspection, soil inspection and structural inspection." As stated, affiant inspected the subject property on several occasions. No non-destructive inspection would have uncovered the serious cracking and foundations issue in the triplex. Further, this property is not on septic. The waiver

checks in the Purchase Agreement were prepared by InvestPro without notifying affiant.

- (d) p. 3, ¶ 6. "Additionally, Wong, Lin, Chen, Zhang, Cheng, and Nickrandt (collectively, "Broker" or "Broker Defendants") had "no responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party." These individuals are the actual sellers of the property. They are the true sellers behind alternations and "flipping. Attached as Exhibit "5" to Plaintiff's Motion is the Flipping Fund's web page found by affiant. InvestPro's web page identifies InvestPro as a participant in the Property purchases and not just from a realtor standpoint. The second page of the website talks about splitting profits with the manager LLC. Lin and his company, InvesPpro, put the deal together, sold units to investors, for a 75/25 split at the end. It was InvestPro's Kenny Lin who participated at the auction and bought the subject property. It was InvestPro's Kenny Lin who hired the InvestPro handyman to "rehabilitate" the property. It was InvestPro's handyman who discovered that the sewer line was broken. Not only did Lin push representation for the buyer to another InvestPro realtor but at no time did Lin actually tell affiant that he had an interest in the subject property; i.e., he was the seller.
- (e) p. 3, ¶7. "On August 2, 2017, TKNR submitted Seller's Real Property Disclosure Form ("SRPDF" or "Seller's Disclosures") timely indicating all known conditions of the Subject Property." Affiant did not meet Lin until August 10, 2017, at the time of affiant's inspection of the Property. There was no communication prior to August 10 with Lin or anyone from InvestPro. Affiant did not decide to go through with the purchase of the Property until August 11, 2017. There is nothing in Seller's

disclosures referencing and broken sewer line or the structurally unsound foundation caused by earth movements. Sellers were aware of these conditions as Kenny Lin, their representative, covered them up.

- (f) p. 3, ¶ 7. "Despite these disclosures, Plaintiff chose not to inspect the Subject Property, request additional information and/or conduct any reasonable inquires." During affiant's inspection of the property with Kenny Lin, affiant requested information about repairs. Kenny Lin informed affiant that after they won the auction, they did a complete rehabilitation of the property. Because of Lin's representations prior to closing, affiant believed that Investpro had fixed all defects during rehabilitation.
- (g) p. 4,¶ 10. "This is the second time that Ms. Zhu waived inspections for the Property despite the language in the 2nd RPA that strongly advised to get an inspection done." Affiant inspected the property with Kenny Lin on August 10, 2017. The original Residential Purchase Agreement was e-signed the day after on August 11, 2017, after the agreement had been prepared completely by Helen Chen and Kenny Lin. The Agreement itself does not state that the buyer is waiving the home inspection. Again, the triplex had already been inspected by Frank Miao with Kenny Lin at his side by the time the initial Agreement had been e-signed by Ms. Zhu. The buyer cannot waive an inspection that has already been completed. Affiant inspected the property again after the initial Purchase Agreement was signed. At no time did affiant or Ms. Zhu waive the right to inspect. Again, both the first and second Purchase Agreements were completed by InvestPro agents allegedly representing Plaintiff at the time of the transaction.

- (h) p. 4, ¶ 10. "Notably, although Ms. Zhu had not initialed the "Failure to Cancel or Resolve Objections" provision in the RPA, she initialed the corresponding provision in the 2nd RPA." WLAB inspected the property with Kenny Lin on August 10, 2017.
- (i) p. 4, \P 11. "Although Ms. Zhu had actual knowledge of the Sller's Disclosures, and the Parties agreed to extend the COE to January 5, 2018, Ms. Zhu still never did any professional inspections." Frank Miao did inspection with Kenny Kin and put out correction items.
- (j) p. 5, ¶ 15. "Plaintiff was a sophisticated buyer who understood the necessity of getting the properties inspected." Plaintiff did inspect the property on August 10, 2017, with Mr. Lin. The major defects were covered up and Lin had lied to affiant about the rehabilitation.
- (k) p. 5, ¶ 17. "As to Paragraph 7(A), Mr. Miao specified that he believe that his inspection and conversations with the tenant constituted the action necessary to deem the Property as satisfactory for Plaintiff's purchase." Due to defendant Kenny Lin lying to affiant and covering up major foundation and structural defects by putting laminate wood flooring and ceramic tile over the major defect, affiant could not discovery these hidden defects during inspection without destructive inspection which the purchase agreement did not allow.
- (l) p. 5, ¶ 18. "... Plaintiff had access to inspect the entire property and conduct non-invasive, non-destructive inspections: ..." The serious foundational, structural and sewage line issues, which were covered up with laminate wood and ceramic floor tile, would have only been discovered with a destructive open up inspection.

- (m) p. 6, ¶ 19. "Prior to the purchase, Mr. Miao was always aware that the Seller "strongly recommended that buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections." Kenny Lin said nothing about retaining a licensed inspector. He knew that affiant was inspecting the building. Mr. Lin was also aware that whether the inspector was licensed or not, he had covered up the significant defects in the property which could not have been discovered without pulling up the floors. After Defendants purchased the property at auction, this property was listed more than three times from January 9, 2016 to August 10, 2017. Each time, the property was removed from escrow which meant Sellers had to go back to the drawing board and make a better effort to cover up the significant issues with the property. Defendants did not actually fix the defects. They simply covered them up.
- (n) p. 6, ¶ 20. "Plaintiff was also aware of the language in the RPA under Paragraph 7(D) that limited potential damages that could have been discovered by an inspection." The key issue is Defendants did unlawful things and covered up problems with the property. They put making money above tenant and investor safety.
- (o) p. 7, ¶ 22. "Based on his own belief, he does not believe that a professional inspection is necessary for multi-tenant residential properties." Affiant is wondering if summary judgment was granted because the Court believes that professional licensed inspections are required. Affiant is a professional. He knows building and apartments very well. Affiant is not aware of any legal requirement that a buyer is required to retain a licensed inspector before purchasing an apartment, in this case, a triplex. For multi-tenant residential properties in Las Vegas involving many thousands of units, it is virtually impossible to inspect each and every unit in 14 days

which is why law requires work on rental units to be done by licensed contractors followed by inspection and permitting by city building and safety departments.

- (p) p. 8, ¶ 26. "During that time, he admitted that he noticed some issues with the Property that were not up to code, finishing issues, GFCI outlets, and electrical issues:" As stated, affiant instructed Kenny Lin to put smoke and CO detectors in the units only to find out that after the purchase, Lin had removed the CO detectors after they were installed. Defendants had hidden some GFCI required outlets by covering up or installing non-functioning GFCI outlets without using a licensed electrician which was dangerous for the tenants. Defendants did not want to use a licensed electrician because a licensed electrician would have asked to pull permits. The city inspector may have found out about the defects and shut down the apartment.
- (q) p. 8, ¶ 28. "Additionally, Mr. Miao noted that there were cracks in the ceramic floor tiles, *Id.* at 249: 22-25, and he was aware of visible cracks in the concrete foundation, *Id.* at 269: 13-22 (aware of slab cracks), which were open and obvious." Affiant noticed a few cracks in the ceramic floor tiles in Unit C living room. Affiant was not able to see the foundation as it was covered with newly installed flooring. It was at this point with Lin explained to affiant that they had rehabilitated the entire triplex.
- (r) p. 9, ¶ 31. As to SRPDF, Plaintiff was aware that TKNR was an investor who had not resided in the Property, and there were issues with the heating systems, cooling systems, and that there was work done without permits and all the work was done by a handyman other than the HVAC installation." When affiant inspected the property the Defendant Lin, Lin explained that Investpro had rehabilitated the

property. There was no defect found at the time of the inspection that would have raised any concern.

- (s) p. 9, \P 32. "Despite these disclosures, Mr. Miao never followed up." There were no defects observed at the time of the inspection. They were all covered up.
- (t) p. 9, ¶ 33. "However, Mr. Miao also admitted that he could have followed up on the issues identified in the SRPDF that included the HVAC and the permits:" SRPDF only disclosed that there was a new air conditioner but never mentioned that the air conditioners replaced swamp coolers. Affiant later learned after a leak in one of the units that the ducting had not been changed from the swamp cooler to air conditioning. This was only learned after opening up the ceiling.
- (u) p. 10, ¶ 34. "Similarly, Mr. Miao was aware that he should have contacted the local building department as part of his due diligence:" There was no reason to contact the building department as Sellers did not disclose any activity that would have required a permit. Specifically, they disclosed a new kitchen cabinet in each unit, brand new AC installed and three bedrooms were redone. There was no mentioned that the air conditioning units were replacing swamp coolers which required new electrical and plumbing which would have required a permit. If the AC units were replacing AC units, permits would not need to be pulled. Based on the information provided by Lin and in Sellers' disclosures, affiant was not aware of any activity that would have required a permit. It was also learned after the walls were opened that Defendants had not properly wired the AC units leaving wires exposed and presenting a potential fire danger.
- (v) p. 10, ¶ 35. "Plaintiff was on notice of the potential for mold and the requirement to get a mold inspection." This is a rental property. By law, the seller must

provide a safe, habitable apartment to the tenants. No tenant will check mold and have professional mold inspection. Further, mold testing usually requires a destructive inspection to verify in ceiling and behind walls.

- (w) p. 11, ¶ 37. "Disclosure of unknown defects not required. Form does not constitute warranty duty of buyer and prospective buyer to exercise reasonable care." Affiant's issue with Sellers' disclosures is that they failed to disclose defects that they were aware of. The Handyman's invoice for patching the concrete underscores that the Sellers were aware of the condition of the foundation when they sold the triplex and failed to disclose to affiant.
- (x) p. 12, \P 39. "The alleged defects identified by both parties' experts could have been discovered at the time of the original purchase." *Again, the foundation, wall cracks, AC wiring and ducting, dryer venting, were all under flooring or within the ceilings and walls of the units. These defects would have only been uncovered with prohibitive destructive open up inspection.*
- (y) p. 13, ¶ 43. "Additionally, Mr. Miao accompanied Defendants' expert during his inspection." Defendants' expert did not show all of the pictures taken which reflect new cracks.
- (z) p. 12,¶44. "Mr. Miao agreed with Defendants' expert that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's expert were "Open and obvious": " Affiant was not shown all of the photographs during his deposition. There were many more new cracks observed than in 2017 at the time of affiant's inspection. The new cracks were hidden by coating materials, dry wall, joint compounds and new floors.

- (aa) p. 13, ¶ 45. "He also agreed with Defendants' expert's finding that there was no noticeable sagging in the roof." The rook leak was not caused by sagging. It was caused by a broken seal on the roof.
- (bb) p., ¶ 46. "Incredibly, Mr. Miao also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it and those afterwards." New cracks appears after Defendants hid the original cracking. When affiant inspected the property with Lin, there was not nearly as much cracking as there is now. Defendants hid most of the cracks and defects. There were dryers and washers installed in the units in 2017 were vented to the attic. The vents ran through the walls. The venting cause moisture in the attic which resulted in the ceilings being opened for find the leaks. It was discovered at that time, after the ceilings were opened, that the dryer had been vented to the attic. Lin at no time explained how the dryers had been vented.
- (cc) p. 13, ¶ 47. "No dispute exists that TKNR did not need permits for the interior work it had done to the Property." Affiant ultimately learned that the AC units had replaced swamp coolers and that the ducting had not been changed to allow for AC units until after the ceiling was opened up. The new plumbing and electrical for the new AC units would have had to be inspected. Again, affiant did not know that the new AC units did not replace other AC units. Because these units are for lease, the work should have been performed by licensed contractors which is why the work was not done by Defendants as it should have been. One unit had a window AC unit the installation of which should have been performed by a licensed contractor with permit and inspection by the city.

- (dd) p. 14, ¶ 48. "Since the date it purchased the Property, Plaintiff has always been trying to lease it. . . . According to Mr. Miao, the landlord must provide safe housing for the tenant." Lin and his company InvestPro were the property managers for the property after Plaintiff's purchase. Lin knowingly leased the property to tenants knowing that the property was unsafe. Once affiant learned of the foundation and sewage line defects, he removed all tenants until they are fixed.
- (ee) p. 15, \P 49. "Moreover, Plaintiff does not provide any notice to the tenants about its expert's report or this litigation." Since purchasing the property, affiant has made many repairs as they are discovered with licensed contractors. Specifically, once affiant found out about the foundation and sewer line defects, he asked the tenants to move out immediately.
- (ff) p. 15, ¶ 50. "This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff's claim, proven that it has done nothing to correct the allegedly deficient conditions that are clearly not so dangerous as it does not tell prospective tenants about them." Affiant has repaired many defects with licensed contractors. It is only with the discovery of the foundation and sewer line defects that affiant had discontinued attempted to repair the triplex.
- (gg) p. 15-16, ¶ 51. "Mr. Miao admitted that multiple third parties could have potentially damaged the Property." The major cracks in the walls and floors were not done by third parties. The major defects were not done by third parties.
- (hh) p. 16, \P 52. "Plaintiff's case is based on speculation that Defendants knew about the alleged conditions in the Property; however, Mr. Miao admitted that there is no evidence that shows Defendants knew about them." As stated, affiant believes there is substantial evidence that Defendants knew about the defects.

- (ii) p. 17, ¶ 55. "Mr. Miao also recognized that a 63-year-old property could have issues that were not caused by Defendants." It is not the fact that Defendants didn't cause the foundation or sewer issues, it is the fact that they did not disclose and hid these issues when they sold the property to affiant's company.
- (jj) p. 17, ¶ 56. "Plaintiff did not identify any discovery illustrating a genuine issue of material fact that Defendants knew of the alleged issues with the Property that they had not already disclosed on Seller's Disclosures." Numerous photographs of cracking floors and walls were produced in discovery which reflected cracks not present at the time of affiant's inspection. Additionally, the floor continues to buckle and as it did, the floor was pulled up which revealed foundation damage as previous mentioned.
- (kk) p. 17, ¶ 58. "The Flipping Fund had nothing to do with Plaintiff's decision to purchase the Property." The subject triplex was one of the Flipping Fund projects. As stated by Lin, the property was purchased at auction and renovated. The Flipping Fund had everything to do with the alleged rehabilitation of the property as that is what they do, buy, rehabilitate (cover up in this case) and sell for a large profit.
- (ll) p. 17, ¶ 59. "Initially, Mr. Miao contacted contractors to bid the potential cost of repair for the Property and determined that it would have been \$102,873.00. . . . However, Plaintiff's expert opined that the cost of repair would have been \$600,000.00, although he did not provide an itemized cost of repair." *Initially, the cost of repair to fix the electrical and ductwork inside the ceiling was \$102,873.00*. However, by the time Plaintiff's expert inspected the property, much more was known about the property and, therefore, the cost of repair was much higher.
- (mm) p. 18, ¶ 60. "He denied, under the penalty of perjury, that he never made an offer to settle this matter for \$10,000.00." This statement completely

misrepresents what actually transpired. After Plaintiff purchased the property, the fuses to the AC units kept burning out. Affiant hired an electrician to figure out what the problem was. It was learning that when Defendants installed the air conditioners, there was not sufficient room in the electrical box to wire the air conditioners. Therefore, Defendants' handyman piggy-backed the AC wiring onto another fuse which caused the fuse to overload and fail. The electrician estimated the cost of repair to be \$10,000.00. Since the electrical problem was Defendants' doing, affiant approached Lin about paying \$10,000.00 to repair the electrical. Affiant believes this offer to resolve the electrical issue was prior to a lawsuit being filed. The condition of the wiring was not open and obvious as suggested in paragraph 62 of the order as the wiring was hidden behind the wall. The wall had to be opened up to discovery the electrical issue.

(nn) p. 24, ¶ 62. "Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the electrical system and items not up to code at the time that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the electrical system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017." Defendants did not disclose electrical system changes. They are not "open and obvious" as they were hidden behind the wall. As stated, when Defendants changed out the swamp cooler for an air conditioner, they simply piggy-backed the AC wiring on already existing wiring on the fuse which caused the fuse to overload and burn out. The electrical panel was insufficient to handle the load which required re-wiring by a licensed electrician. Further, when the AC unit was added, additional electrical wiring was required which required a permit and inspection.

(oo) p. 25, ¶ 63. "Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the plumbing system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, profession inspection could

have discovered in 2017." Affiant learned of the septic issue when the tenants left the property and reported issues with the sewage. Sewage had backed up in one of the tubs which was discovered after the tenant left. Residue from the sewage backup was found in the tub. Affiant further learned from the tenant in Unit A and the former tenant that the sewage issue was something Defendants were aware of as they had previously investigated the problem.

- (pp) p. 25, ¶ 64. "As to 31(c), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose the use of a handyman, the lack of permits, and issues with the sprinklers. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the sewer system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017." There is no sprinkler system. The sewer issue was not open and obvious and could not have been discovered with a typical professional inspection. Defendants were aware of the issue and had an obligation to report the sewer problem to Plaintiff.
- (qq) p. 25, ¶ 65. The order suggests that the conditions were open and obvious. Defendants were aware of these issues and failed to disclose. These issues were not "open and obvious." They were discovered after affiant opened walls and ceilings and floor coverings.
- (rr) p. 25, ¶ 66. "As to 31(e), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits." A licensed professional inspection cannot and would not discover all of these defects. The issue with the AC wiring behind the wall was not visible without doing some destructive investigation. At no time did Defendants disclose that their handman was not licensed which is unlawful.

p. 26, ¶ 67. "As to 31(f), this allegation illustrates the prior knowledge that Plaintiff had before purchasing the Property, and the overall emphasis on the failure to obtain a professional inspection of the Property prior to purchasing it." 31(f) refers to the fact that smoke detectors were missing at the time of the inspection. This allegation says nothing about the serious problems with the Property that Defendants had covered up and that were not readily detectible at the time of affiant's inspection. Obviously, affiant did not see the foundation damage at the time of the inspection as it was covered by wood laminate and ceramic flooring. The order implies that an inspection done by a "professional inspector" would have noticed that serious foundation damage without pulling up the flooring. Affiant was also not aware that the HVAC system had been changed three times until the receipts were disclosed in this case. Affiant was not aware of the shoddy and illegal electrical work that had been done and which was hidden behind the walls. It took a tenant complaining about a fuse and the subsequent retention of a licensed electrician to go into the wall to discover what Defendants had done. It was a tenant and former tenant reporting about the sewage problems as well as sewage remnants in a bathtub for affiant to become aware of that problem. It took a leaking ceiling and opening the ceiling before affiant became aware that Defendants had vented the dryer exhaust to the attic and that Defendants had not properly changed out the swamp cooler ducting for insulated air conditioning ducting. Walls had been covered so as the time of the inspection by affiant, very few if any cracks in the walls were observed. However, as the foundation and walls shifted over time, the cracks in the walls reappeared revealing what Defendants had covered up. To suggest that the discovery of missing smoke detectors is somehow indicative of the extent of affiant's knowledge at the time of the inspection is ridiculous.

only way affiant would have been aware of the significant issues with the foundation is if Lin told him or if he was allowed to perform a destructive inspection which the Purchase Agreement did not allow. Affiant also did not observe wall cracks as they had been covered up at the time of the inspections. Defendants were aware of the foundation and wall cracks as they had covered them up. Affiant was not aware that the HVAC system had been changed out three times until the receipts were produced during discovery. The roof leak was caused by the failure to seal the roof. The leak had nothing to do with sagging.

- (xx) p. 27, ¶ 72. "Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017. ... Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues and also admitted that squatters and tenants could have damaged the Property." Squatters and tenants could not have caused the foundation and walls to crack. Even if squatters and tenants did cause the damage, Defendants were aware of the damage and covered it up.
- (yy) p. 27, ¶ 73. "As to the Broker Defendants, Ms. Zhu agreed that she was not relying upon any representations made by Brokers or Broker's agent." Regardless of the inspections by affiant and what affiant discovered during his inspection, Defendants should have warned affiant and Ms. Zhu about serious conditions which they covered up. Affiant was relying upon his broker to tell him about conditions which could not be seen with a routine inspection. Affiant believes his agents should have told him about the fact that they were also financially tied to the sellers in that they were the Flipping Fund, they had put the investors together, they had a

financial interest in monies made from the transaction and that it was their handyman who had made the purported repairs.

- (zz) p. 28, ¶ 74. Mr. Miao walked the property with Defendants' expert, Neil Opfer. By the time affiant walked the property with Mr. Opfer, numerous cracks had appeared in the walls which were not visible at the time of affiant's inspection on August 10, 2017.
- (aaa) p. 28, ¶ 75. "Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's alleged expert were open and obvious." Affiant does not agree that the conditions which ultimately appeared in the roof and interior and exterior walls were open and obvious at the time of his pre-purchase inspection.
- (bbb) p. 28, ¶ 76. "Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that Plaintiff's expert did not do any destructive testing, so the same alleged conditions that the alleged expert notes, would have been made by an inspector at the time of the purchase." The conditions complained of were not visible at the time of the 2017 inspection as they had been covered up by Defendants.
- Judgment, states in ¶ 2 that he submitted seller disclosures on August 2, 2017. Affiant had not even met Mr. Lin before August 10, 2017. Affiant first met Mr. Lin on August 10, 2017, at the time of his inspection of the subject property. In ¶¶ 3 and 7, Lin states that he told affiant and Ms. Zhu to get an inspection of the Property. At no time did Lin tell affiant that affiant needed to get an inspection of the Property as affiant had already inspected the property with Lin. Mr. Lin was also the seller's agent so after the initial signing of the Residential Purchase Agreement affiant only communicated with Ms. Chen, the buyer's agent. In ¶ 4, Lin says that affiant did not inspect the property. Again, affiant

inspected the Property on several occasions, the first time with Lin present on August 10, 2017. Mr. Lin stated to affiant that they had entirely rehabilitated the Property including the walls and floors. In ¶ 5, Lin states that the rehabilitation done on the Property did not involve opening walls. They had to open the walls to install the window AC units. Lin further states that on multiple occasions he disclosed the work on the HVAC units to affiant. Affiant was aware that the HVAC units had been recently put in but he was not aware that the AC units were replacing a swamp cooler. Lin did not disclose the installation of the HVAC units to affiant. In ¶ 8, Lin states that TKNR did not reside or visit the property implying that Defendants knew very little about the property. TKNR, Lin and InvestPro were all related. TKNR was part of Mr. Lin's flipping fund. Lin put the investor's together and purchased the property. It was Lin and his handyman who performed the rehabilitation of the Property. In ¶ 10, Lin states that original settlement demand was \$10,000.00. There were no demands made to Defendants after the lawsuit was filed. Affiant had approached Lin about the electrical issues he discovered the wall relating to the installation of the air conditioners. Affiant asked Lin to pay the anticipated costs of repairing the electrical wiring which was approximately \$10,000.00.

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         vs.
                               ) DEPT NO.: 14
 7 TKNR INC., a California
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             MR. LEE: Ms. Court Reporter, can you help
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                                                                      Can you speak a little slowly? Because if
                                                          11 you speak too quick, I -- I cannot catch up.
11 him?
12
                                                                      Okay. So I just -- I'll go over the rules
             MADAM REPORTER: Yes. Let's go off the
13 record.
                                                          13 of the deposition with you after I just do this PMK
         (A discussion was held of the record.)
                                                         14 notice; okay?
15 BY MR. LEE:
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                                                                      Okay. What's a "PMK" mean?
        Q. We're back on the record. It appears the
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                                                                      "PMK" means person most knowledgable.
                                                                 Q.
17 exhibits didn't get printed, but we'll go ahead and
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                                                                      Oh, okay. Okay. Yes.
                                                                 Α.
18 wait for them to get printed.
                                                                      See right where I highlighted it, person
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             During the interim, I'll just share my
                                                         19 most knowledgable?
20 screen so you can see what the exhibits are; okay?
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                                                                      Yeah, yeah, yeah.
            Okay.
                                                                      Okay. So for the record, what I'm doing
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                                                          22 is showing you what will eventually be proposed
22
        Q.
             Then I'll go over the rules of the
23 deposition. You're doing a good job right now. I
                                                          23 Exhibit 1 to the deposition, which is the notice of
24 just want to get this PMK notice out of the way;
                                                          24 deposition of the person most knowledgable for WLAB
25 okay?
                                                          25 Investments, LLC.
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Page 30 Page 31 In China, it's four-year bachelor degree. 1 now. Α. 2 You were born in 1963 in Nanjing, China. ٥. Okay. So you went from high school, then ٥. 3 3 you went to this college program in Beijing; is that Α. ٥. Did you go to high school there? 4 correct? 5 Yes, in China. A. Beijing, yes, yes. Did you -- what kind of education did you 6 Okay. Then what year did you go to the Q. 7 Illinois Institute of Technology? 7 have after high school? I got a bachelor degree in chemical I think it was 1986. 1986 to 19 -- oh, Α. Α. 9 engineering in Beijing in Chemical University --9 I'm sorry. 1987, January. 10 Chemical Technology University. 10 Q. What? 1987 11 Then after that, I come to U.S. to pursue 11 A. 12 the advance degree, then I got the Ph.D. at Illinois 12 0. To when? 13 Institute of Technology all in the engineering 13 Α. To all the way to the 1990, I guess. 14 background Q. You said this was a Ph.D. program? 15 Now, you got your bachelor's degree in 15 Yeah, yeah. I think it's only been four 16 Beijing in chemical engineering? 16 years to get my Ph.D. degree without master degree. Chemical Technology University, I think So you skipped the master's and just got a 18 they call it, right. 18 Ph.D. in three years? 19 Q. Technology. A. Four years. Around four years, yeah. By 20 What year? 20 that time, they said I set a record for Chinese 21 1985. Then I come to U.S. 1986. 21 student at that time for fastest --22 Q. So between 1985 and 1987, what were you Okay. So you went to high school. Is 23 doing? 23 that a four-year program or how long is it? 24 Where? I -- first, before I went to get some Α. Α. 25 Q. In China --25 education for foreign language, study English a Page 32 Page 33 1 little bit before come to U.S. Prepare English. Huh? 1 Α. When I first come to U.S. in 1986, I went 2 Q. What was the Ph.D. in? 3 to Ohio University. Then when I found out Ohio Α. In engineering. 4 University in a small town, so very difficult to get Chemical engineering? Yeah, engineering. Chemical and the 5 some job employment for students enrolled in the 6 school, so I moved to transfer to IIT, Illinois 6 mechanical both. It's, like -- also, they said is 7 Institute of Technology. At that time, the 7 chemical but mostly is mechanical side. 8 professor have some of the Department of Energy 8 And what was the course of your study 9 program, the grant money, so they are looking for 9 work? 10 some research assistants, so I went --10 Oh, study lot of work. Chemistry and also 0. What's the name of the college where you 11 mechanical science, structure. Basically, my 12 studied in Ohio? 12 background is, like, in building the factory system 13 Α. Called Ohio University. 13 design, engineering, that kind of thing. Oh, just Ohio University --So a large commercial building? 14 Q. 0. 15 Α. Commercial building, factory, like a 16 16 chemical plant, refinery plant, power plant. Build Q. -- not, like, you know, any city, like 17 Columbus? 17 the power plant. Mostly power plant. 18 Α. In Athens, Ohio. 18 So after that, most of my career is power 19 Q. I'm sorry, what city? 19 plant. 20 Athens, just like -- A-N-T-H-E-N-S [sic], 20 So after 1990, what did you do? 21 Athens. 21 Α. Huh? After the --Anthem? 22 22 Q. 0. Like, in terms of work after 1990. 23 After 1990, I working for the one company Α. Athens, yeah. 23 Α. Okay. When you got your Ph.D. from 24 called the Gas Research Institute. 25 Illinois Institute, what was the Ph.D. in? 25 Gas Research Institute?

- Page 38 1 commercial power plant; training the licensee in
- 2 Asia; and mostly doing the competitive bid for the
- 3 new power plant in U.S. worldwide.
- Q. These are gas or coal power plants?
- Gas. Mostly it's combined cycle power 6 plant.
- So you mean gas. Does that mean, like, 8 natural gas or is there another type of gas?
- A. One is coal gasification gas or natural
- 10 gas. Sometimes they also use diesel. Build a
- 11 diesel plant for the -- we call it peaker. It's a
- 12 simple cycle. Like the Las Vegas or the NV Energy,
- 13 they have some plant. On the 215, you'll see that
- 14 small plant. That is a simple cycle peaker. We
- 15 called it peaker. During the high demand season,
- 16 they running that kind of plant.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 Α. Yeah.
- 19 MADAM REPORTER: I'm sorry, Counsel.
- 20 Are you saying peak, P-E-A-K?
- 21 THE WITNESS: P-E-A-K, yeah.
- 22 MADAM REPORTER: Okay. Thanks.
- 23 THE WITNESS: Yeah, yeah. Because when in
- 24 the summer the electricity demand is high, so they
- 25 have running some simple cycle plant, yeah.
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- 1 director kind of, yeah.
- Q. Okay. Then 2008, the recession, what did 3 you do after that?
- After that, I just -- I don't want to work 5 for other people. I just working for myself.
- Q. Okay. So what does that mean?
- A. That means WLAB. We bought a lot of land 8 and a rental house, so we just collected rent.
- 2008 to the present, that's when you 10 formed and --
- 11 A. Yeah, yeah, yeah.
- Q. -- still are involved with WLAB; right? 12
- 13 Yeah, yeah, yeah. I forgot exactly
- 14 when we set up this WLAB lab, but we starting since
- 15 2008, 2010, that range. Not I -- exactly I don't
- 16 know when I start working for company.
- 17 The reason why the -- I stopped working at
- 18 company is the company want to assign me to the
- 19 Saudi for the supervisor design the one refinery in
- 20 Saudi. Then I found out, they said in the middle of
- 21 nowhere in the desert.
- So at that time, my kids were too small in
- 23 the education, so I don't want to go there. So I
- 24 tell them I just rather working for myself.
- 25 Q. You don't want to go to Saudi Arabia, so

- 1 BY MR. LEE:
- Q. Okay. This is 2004. What did you do 3 after that?
- Α. Then I come to California. I come to
- 5 California working with a company called Parsons 6 Engineering.
- 7 Q. Parson, P-A-R-S-O-N?
- Yeah, P-A-R-S-O-N. Which at that time is
- 9 world's largest engineering company in West Coast
- 10 for the power generation and the refinery and the 11 chemical.
- 12 Q. How long did you work there for?
- Until the 2008, I think. 2010. We do all Α.
- 14 kinds. We design the power plant and we do the
- 15 refinery engineering. We do chemical plant
- 16 engineering. We do mining company engineering,
- 17 design.

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- 18 So what was your job title? ٥.
 - A. I was the supervisor -- senior supervisor.
- 20 Did you provide (inaudible) --
- 21 A. Huh?

A.

- 22 Q. You were supervising?
- 23 Α. Yeah. Supervise a whole bunch of
- 24 engineering doing this kind of design and also
- 25 project management. Project manager, project
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- 1 you decided to start your own business? Yeah, yeah, yeah.
- Okay. Then you're already in California,
- 4 so you just stayed in California; correct?
- Α. Right, right, yeah.
- Q. Okay. WLAB, what does WLAB stand for?
- I forgot why it's called the name of WLAB, Α.
- 8 you know. To be honest, maybe my wife choose the
- 9 name and -- yeah. I don't know why we call that 10 name.
- 11 So your wife would be a little bit more
- 12 knowledgable related to some of the formation of
- A. I think so. We both -- we have
- 15 50/50 percent share for that LLC right now, yeah.
- Okay. As part of the PMK notice, it does
- 17 specify Topic 13, which is formation of Plaintiff.
- 18 This would be something else that your wife would be
- 19 more knowledgable about?
- Yeah. Maybe for that company, yeah.
- 21 MADAM REPORTER: Sorry. You broke up
- 22 there.
- 23 BY MR. LEE:
- Q. You and your wife are the only partners or
- 25 members of WLAB; is that right?

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23 construct it?

Yes, yeah.

Did you hire contractors to help you

25 doing the -- first we solicited the subcontract and

Yeah. We hire -- we negotiate the -- we

Yes, yes. Yeah.

Yes, yes.

23 importance of reading contracts; is that fair?

Okay. And then you understood the

How many of these contracts led to the

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- 1 heating -- or heater is not light up, so I call the 2 AC company -- or they call the AC company then to 3 fix the other one. They give me the receipt. Then
- 4 I just keep the receipt, then I pay them.
- Q. Do you have a property management company 6 that manages the property for you or do you do it?
- A. No. That one, no. No property manager.
- 8 Just I do it.
- Q. And then for the handyman work or the 10 maintenance of it, how do you resolve that?
- A. I just hire the -- from the -- the yellow
- 12 page or the Google, found the local people and call 13 them, ask them to go there to fix things.
- Q. Are they -- like, what kind of people? 15 Like, handyman?
- A. No. Usually it's a company. Licensed
- 17 contractor, not a handyman. I never hire handyman.
- 18 Mostly it's go to the yellow pages, found the
- 19 plumber. Go to the local plumber, licensed plumber
- 20 to do that. Actually, I say call the licensed --
- 21 actually, I say to do that.
- Q. Well, like, in 2009, it's fair to say that
- 23 you understood the difference between a licensed
- 24 contractor and a handyman?
- 25 A. Yes, yes.

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1 contractor showing you a permit?

- A. In California, that one, I don't think so.
- 3 They don't apply the permit. Because this is --
- 4 since they need to do immediately, how you get a
- 5 permit? You know, the tenant said today, I don't
- 6 have hot water. I need to replace. So I call the
- 7 plumper go there to the place. How you get a tenant
- 8 the permit even in the weekend? No, I don't think
- 9 so.
- 10 Q. So if you hire, like, a contractor, you 11 understand that they'll take care of any permitting
- 12 issues that there will be?
- A. Depends. Sometimes with the contractor 14 need me to work with them to get the permit. They
- 15 cannot directly by themself. But my understanding
- 16 for the water heater in California, no permit is
- 17 required.
- Q. Well, if a permit was required, would you 19 expect that the contractor will take care of that 20 for you?
- A. Yes, but usually I know that sometimes the
- 22 permit -- I need to apply for permit, they need my
- 23 information from contractor. Contractor need my
- 24 information, and my -- some documents that they can
- 25 apply the permit. I gave them my authority.

- Q. How many times do you think you have to 2 hire a contractor to address issues with the Bundy 3 property on a yearly basis?
- A. Not very many. Maybe one year one time.
- 5 I currently have a tenant living there for more than
- 6 three years. They only call me one time.
 - Q. And what was that issue?
- Α. They said it's a -- water heater is not
- 9 light up, so he text me and said that the -- he
- 10 needed me to come over and take a look and fix that.
- 11 I said, Go ahead and fix that and send me the bill, 12 and we just deduct from the rent.
- For the water heater, did you hire a 14 plumber or did you just hire, like, a company to 15 give you a new water heater and install --
- A. Plumber, plumber. In California, usually 17 you hire the plumber. They sell you the -- they go 18 to replace the water heater.
- Q. Do you have an understanding that a water 20 heater requires permit work for replacement?
- I don't think so. Water heater don't need 22 a permit. In California, no, no permit.
- 23 (Two speakers at once.)
- Q. Okay. Clark County -- it should be 25 subject to a permit. Would you insist on a

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- After the work is performed, do you ever 2 ask the contractor to show you the permits they 3 obtained?
- A. Yes. Sometimes I need. I ask for it 5 before.
- Q. Does that also mean sometimes you don't 7 ask for one?
- Some -- in California, that house, I just 9 said -- you asked me in California, the house, I
- 10 didn't -- I don't think I asked them to permit for
- 11 the -- for water heater replacement.
- So just in general, not just for water 13 heaters, but if a contractor does work for you, are
- 14 there times where you don't ask to see any related 15 permits?
- A. To my knowledge, I don't think so. I
- 17 probably doing that. If they required a permit, I
- 18 will ask them to show me permit and also ask them to
- 19 show me the inspection and the inspection result.
- 20 Because that is your duty, you know. You pay the
- 21 contractor to do the work. Then when they performed
- 22 the work, you need to gather the certain party to
- 23 inspect, make sure they're doing it safely and meet
- 24 law requirement; right?
 - Q. Okay. So when you asked, you know, for

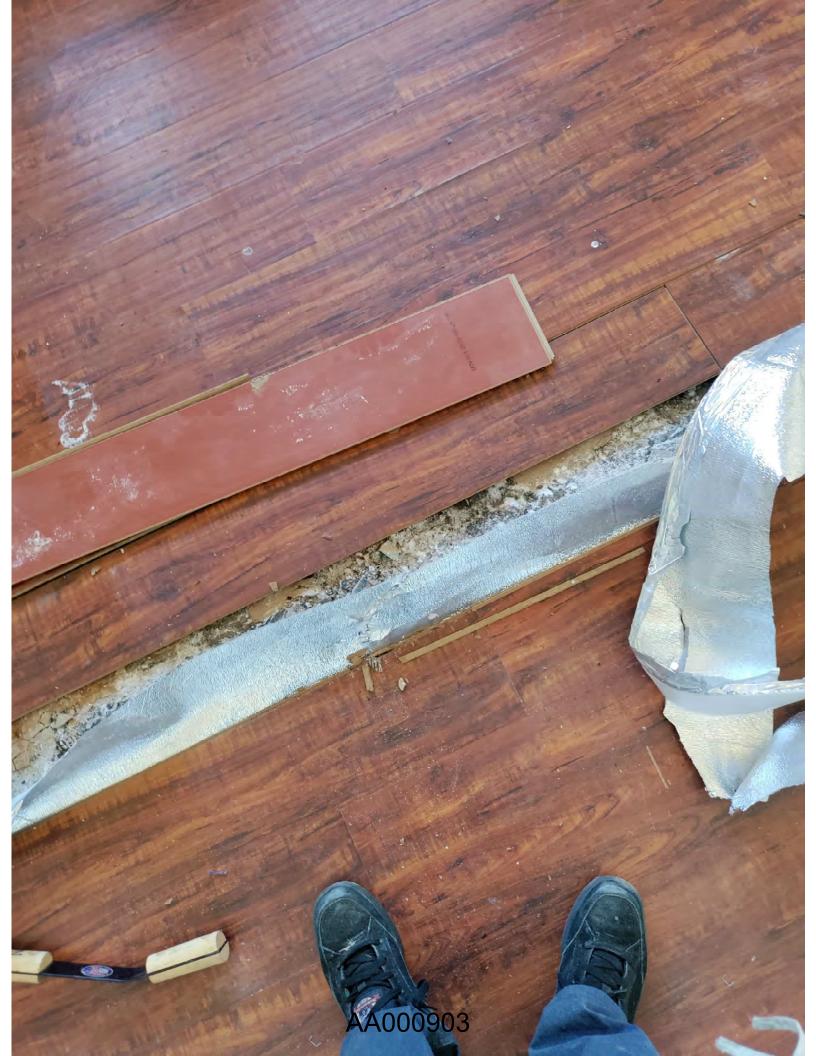
- 1 someone to do the work, you want -- you would
- 2 usually follow up and ask to see the permit and
- 3 inspection?
- 4 A. Yes, I will do that.
- 5 Q. Okay. So after Bundy, what else did you 6 guys buy?
- 7 A. We buy a lot of property in California.
- 8 Q. In general, how many properties do you 9 own?
- 10 A. A lot. More than ten. But I cannot count 11 exactly right now.
- 12 Q. More than ten in California or in total?
- 13 A. In California.
- 14 Q. So we know you own eight or nine here in
- 15 Vegas and that you own more than ten in California;
- 16 right?
- 17 A. Right, right, right.
- 18 Q. And then the properties that WLAB owns,
- 19 are there separate properties that you and Marie own
- 20 that aren't part of WLAB?
- 21 A. Yes, yes. We -- we thinking in the --
- 22 sometimes they use my wife name because she's get a
- 23 W-2. She can get a loan, so -- but some we change
- 24 the title. I went to the County recording office
- 25 and change the title because time to move to the
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- Q. So in terms of the inspection, like, in general, have you ever used a professional
- 3 inspection company to do those for you?
- 4 A. I did some. One or two. Not much.
- 5 Because we did some work, buy some property in Yuca
- 6 Valley. I think I hired an inspector to do that.
- 7 Then later I found out, you know, what later
- 8 inspector report is not much different than what I
- 9 found. So later, we just didn't hire the
- 10 professional inspector doing this work.
- 11 Q. Can you spell Yucca Valley? Is that 12 Y-U-C-C-A?
- 13 A. Yeah, Y-U-C-C-A. Yeah.
- 14 Q. So you've only hired a professional
- 15 inspector once or twice. Do you recall which years
- 16 that would have been when you did that?
- 17 A. 2014, something like that. It's -- yeah,
- 18 early 2014, 2015. Let me see.
- 19 Q. Have you ever hired a professional
- 20 inspection company in Clark County, Nevada?
- 21 A. No. That's -- like I said, in the Nevada,
- 22 all the property is multi-family rental property,
- 23 so -- multi-family rental property usually don't
- 24 need professional inspector to do that.
- Q. Do you know if there's professional

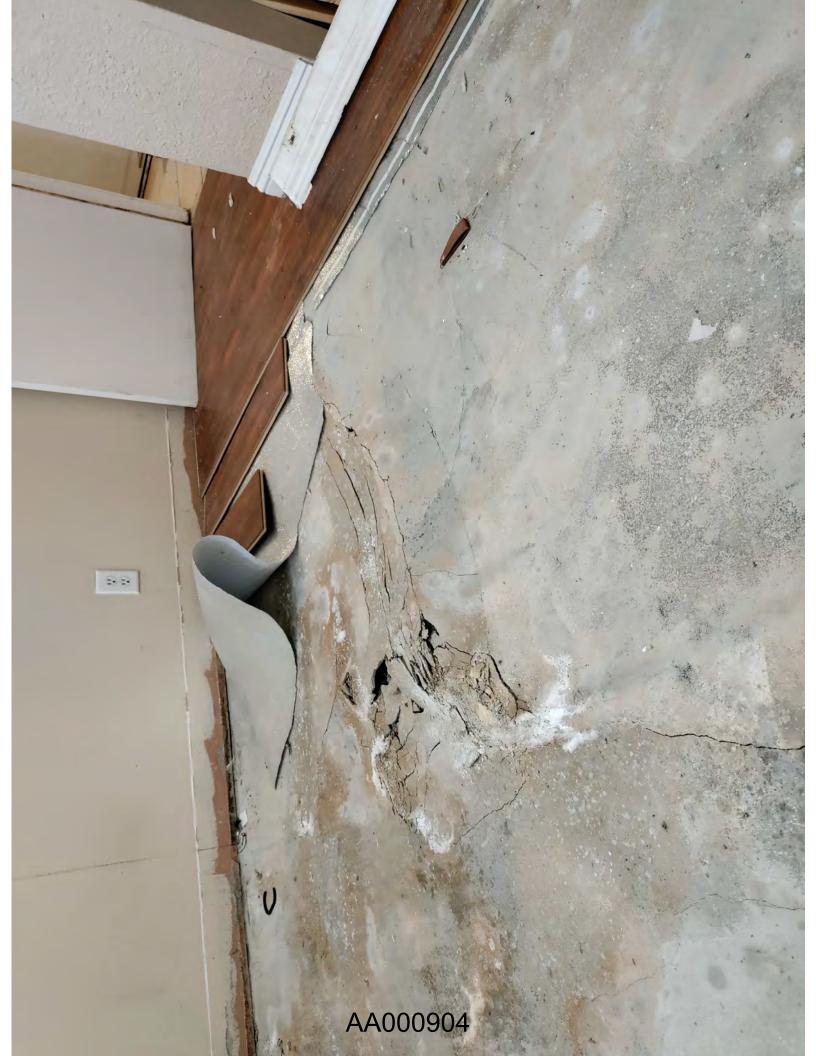
- 1 WLAB now. Some haven't --
- Q. How many properties do you and Marie own 3 that are outside of what WLAB owns?
- A. I don't -- I don't know. Usually when my
- 5 wife file the tax return, they think it's mostly
- 6 WLAB for rental property.
- 7 Q. So this is an area that Marie would know 8 better than you would?
- 9 A. I think so. She's the person involved in 10 more that.
- 11 Q. In general with the properties that you 12 purchased, walk me through the process of how you go
- 13 through it. Like, do you find it on Zillow? Do you 14 find it on some type of listing agreement? How does
- 14 find it on some type of listing agreement? How does 15 this work?
- 16 A. In general, it's I found the property from
- 17 the Redfin or Zillow; right? Then I contact the
- 18 listing agent, then I make the listing agent
- 19 appointment with the listing agent, then go to the
- 20 property, take a look at the property, do some
- 21 inspection, then I recording all that by myself and $\,$
- 22 say what's the -- and that property.
- 23 Then after that, I make the offer to
- 24 the -- ask my wife make the offer, then sign the
- 25 purchase agreement after negotiation the price.
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- 1 inspectors that will inspect multi-tenant
- 2 residential properties that have six units or less?
- A. I -- I think some of the advertisement
- 4 they can do that, but I contact the -- they tried to
- $5\,\log$ money, but also we found out that you don't need
- ${\bf 6}$ to do that. According to -- I talk to the other
- 7 landlord, them said it's a -- you know, if you have
- 8 lot of unit in that apartment, you cannot do the 9 inspection.
- o inspection.
- 10 Then also the law is -- what they said for
- 11 the multi-family rental property, the seller must
- 12 provide a good, safe, and healthy environment for
- 13 tenant. So that is a burden is on the seller to
- 14 make sure that everything is safe.
- 5 The tenant is not going to inspect -- hire
- 16 an inspector to do the inspection before they rented
- 17 the building or the room; right? Then it's also --
- 18 Q. First of all, what is the law that you're 19 referencing in your discussion?
- 20 A. This is -- even you take a look at the --
- 21 here on this one, what's the deed of permit
- 22 inspection, is on the tenant and the landlord they
- 23 said this way. Yeah, they said you -- you have to
- 24 provide in the tenant. You have to provide healthy,
- 25 well-being facility for the tenant.

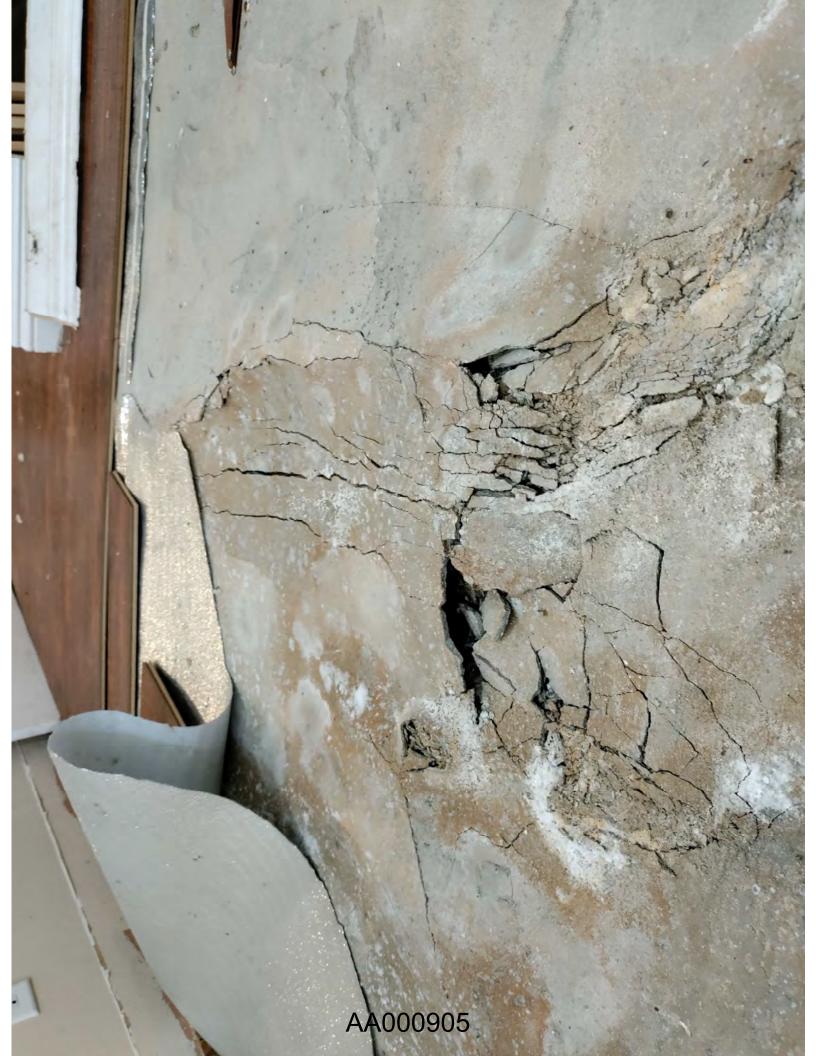
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1	inside the building. It's wall cracking. It's	2 A. Yes, yes.	
1	outside. You can see.	3 Q. Okay.	
4		4 MR. LEE: I don't have any furthe	r
5	A. Yeah. You can see always outside.	5 questions, so we can go off record and of	
6	Q. So is there any information that you want	6 actually, I pass the witness. How about the	
'	to provide that I haven't asked you about?	7 MR. CHILDS: No questions.	iac:
8	A. No.	8 THE WITNESS: No questions.	
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10	•	10 subject to any disclosure of any additional	
1	of your prior answers?	11 documents that we haven't received at this	time, but
12	_ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	12 I thank you for your time today; okay?	
1	the what's it called?	THE WITNESS: Thank you.	2.12
14	-	MADAM REPORTER: Counsel, would y	ou like a
15	± ′ ±	L5 copy of the transcript?	
1	BY MR. LEE:	MR. CHILDS: Yeah, I think	
17	Q. Okay. So I presume you guys are going to	THE WITNESS: Yeah, yeah.	
1	buy a copy of the transcript. You'll need to let	MADAM REPORTER: Do you want elec	tronic?
1	the court reporter know. If you are, they'll mail	MR. CHILDS: Sure.	
20	you a copy. If not, you're going to have to go to	MR. LEE: I only want an e-copy w	rith
21	the court reporter's office to review it; okay?	21 exhibits.	
22	A. Yeah. We just buy one.	MADAM REPORTER: Okay.	
23	Q. Okay. And then in terms of the areas that	(The deposition concluded at 5:26 p.m	n.)
24	we covered that was based on your experience or your	24	
25	speculation, are you planning on offering those	25	
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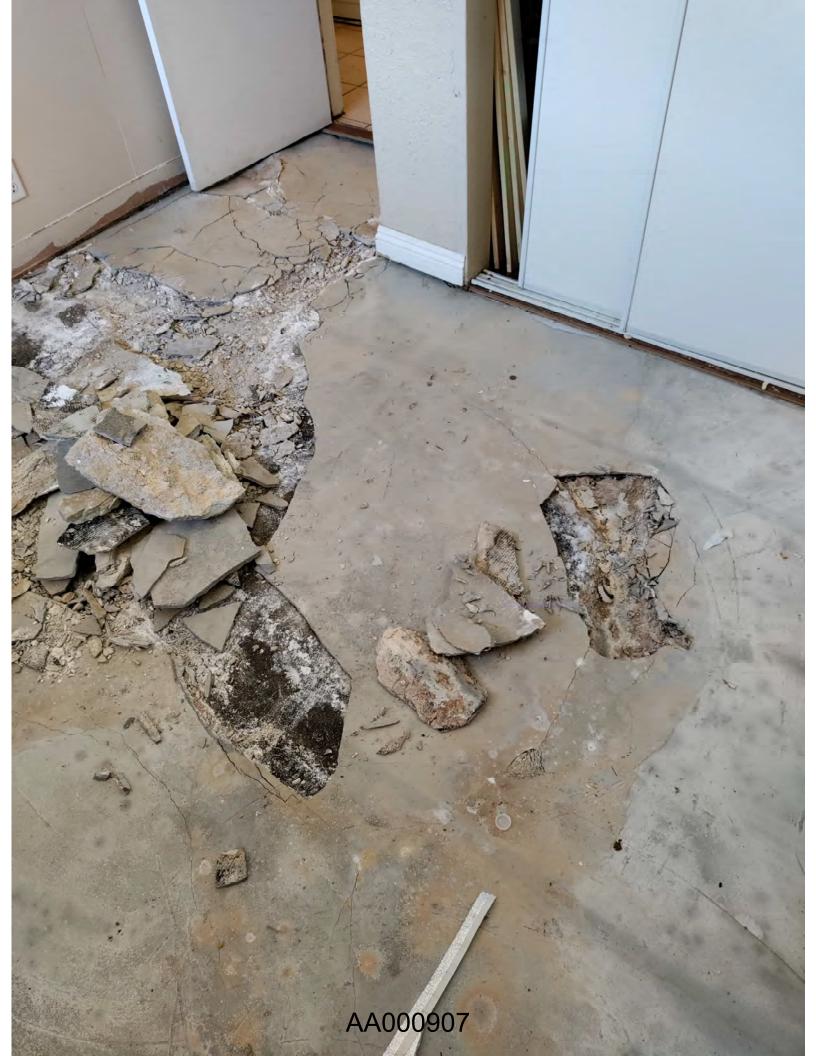
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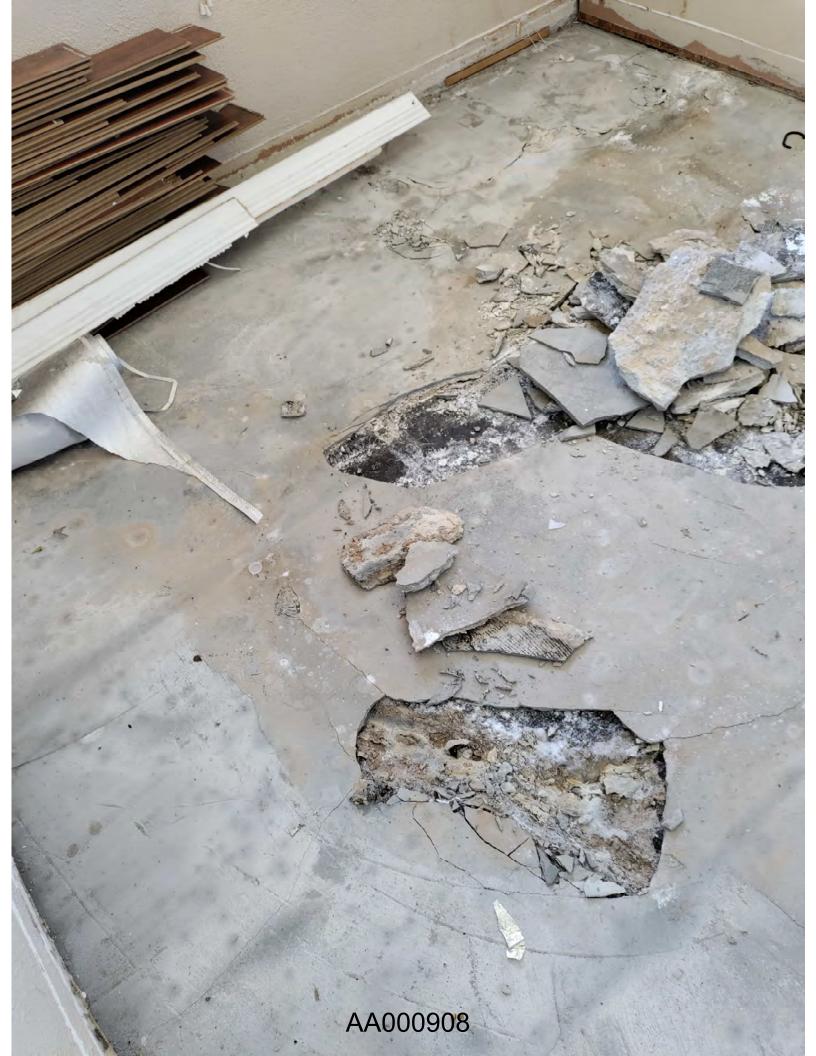




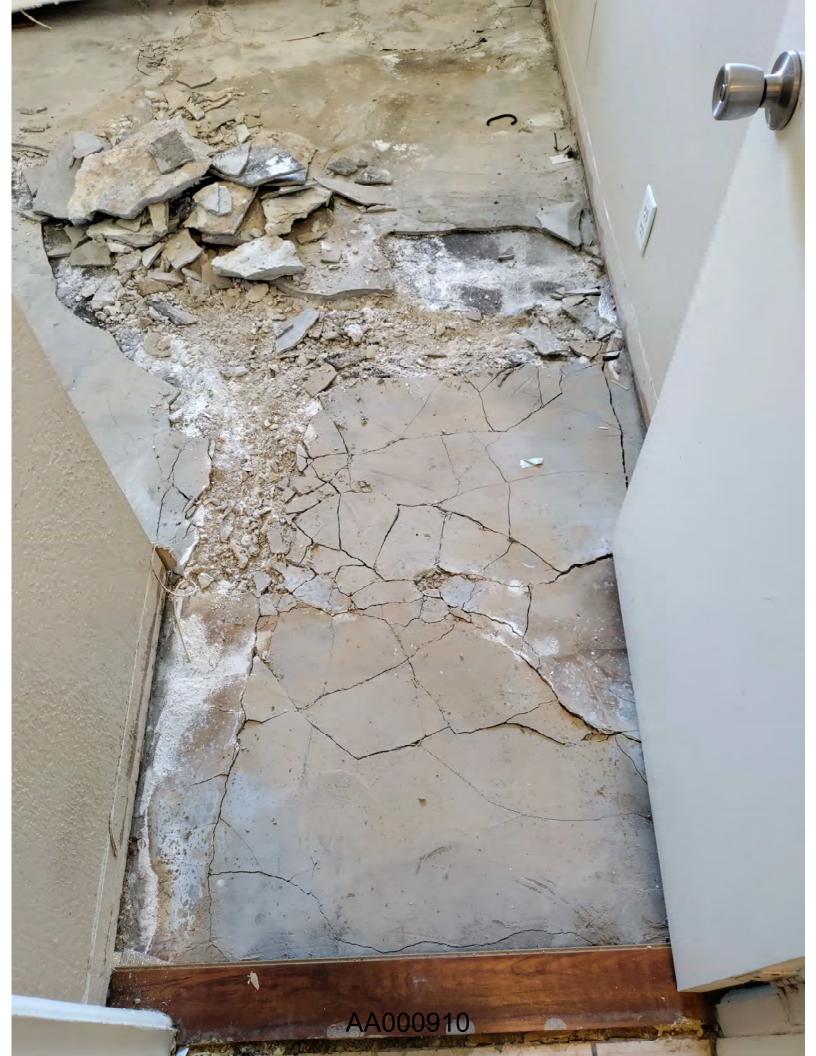


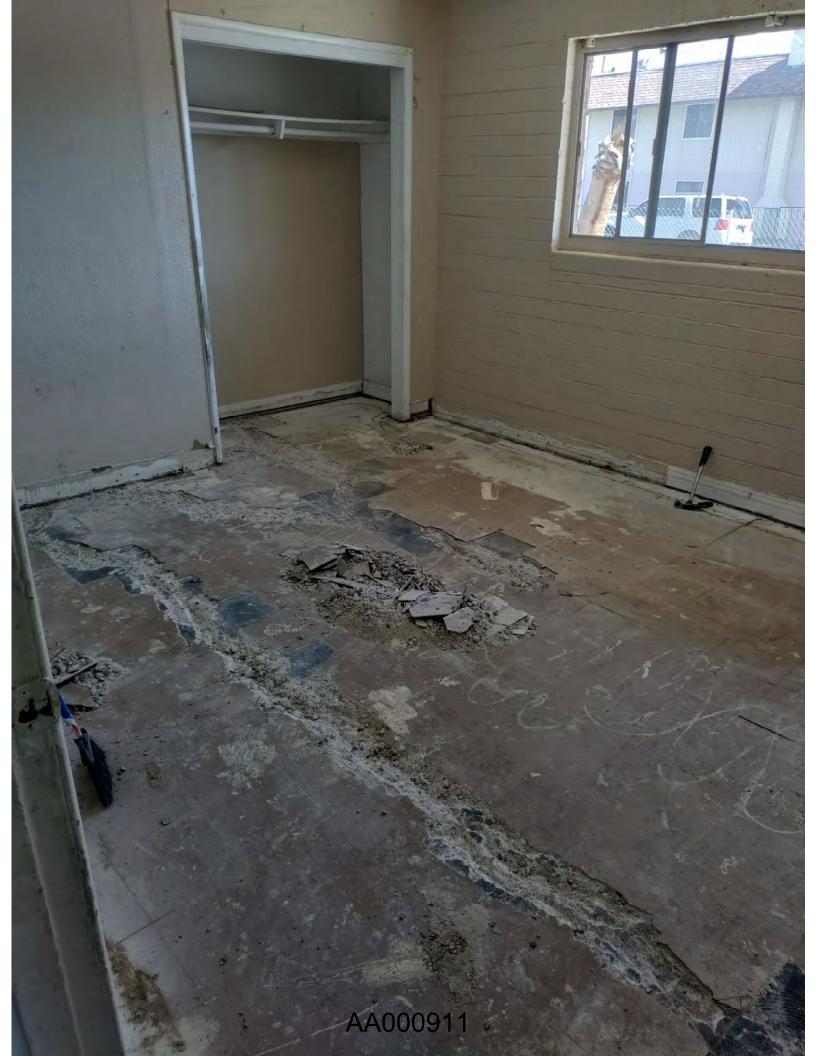












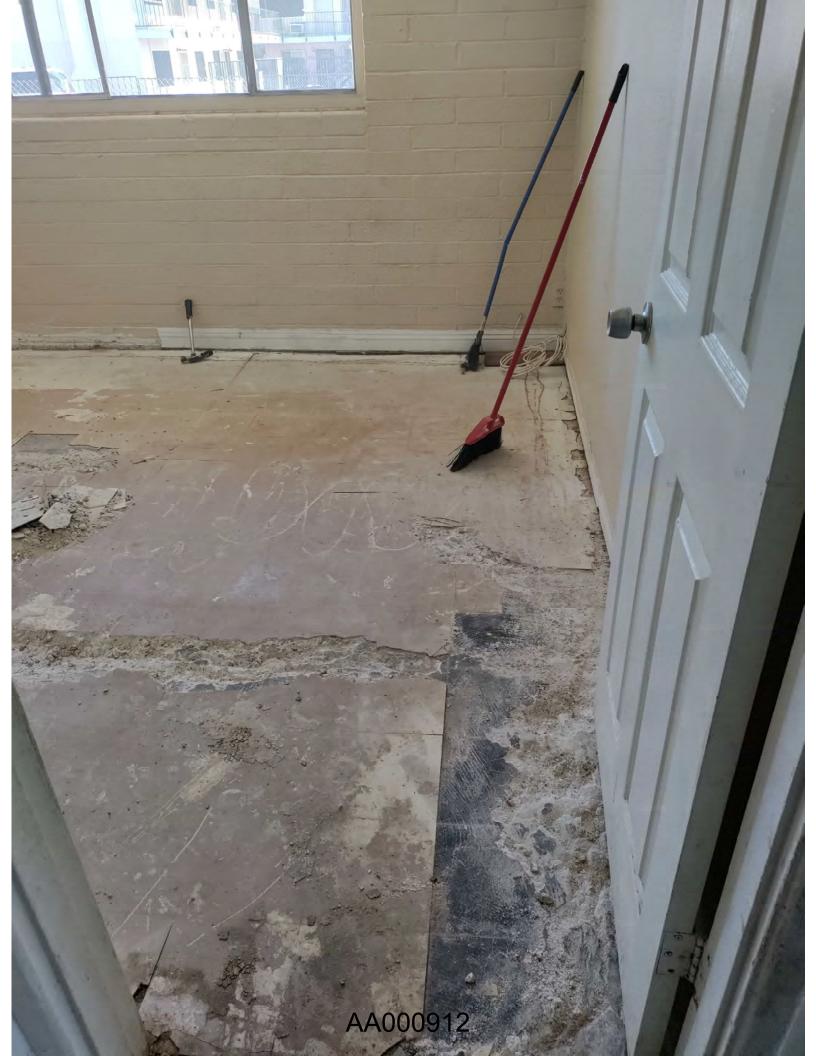


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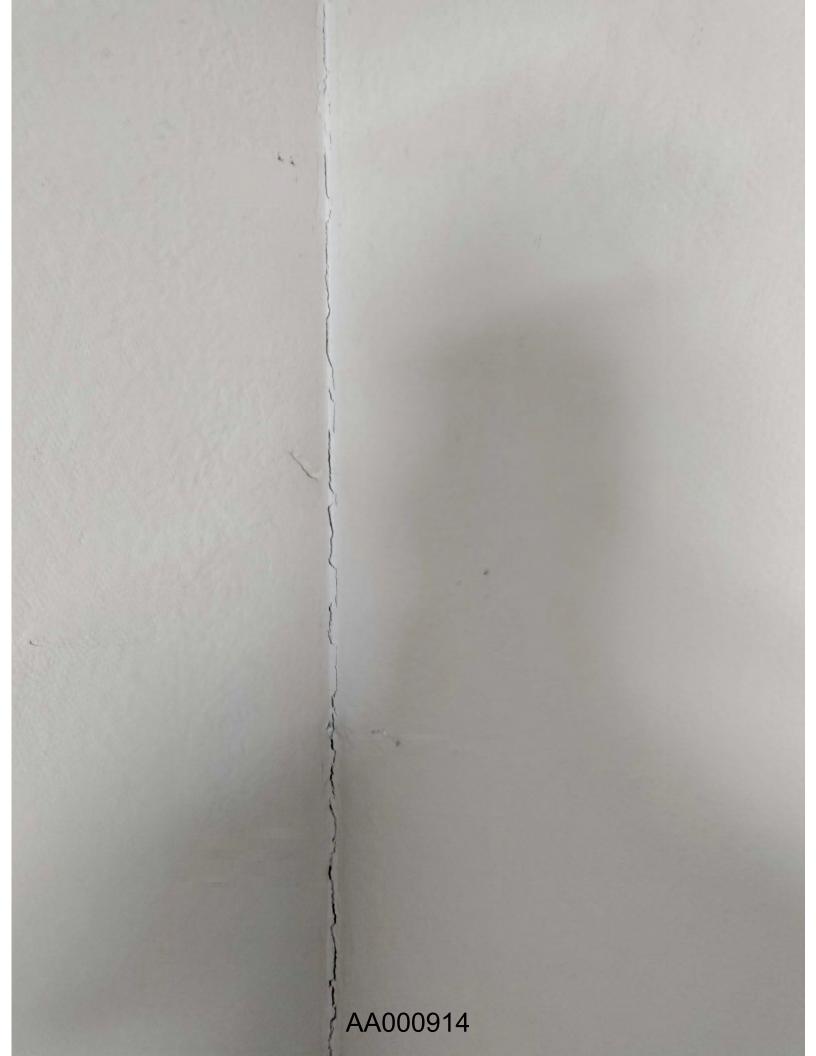




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1. 周期: 1-3 年。

2. 投资门槛: 最少\$5万, 每股\$1000。

2. 用途: 在拉斯维加斯短炒住宅。

3. 回报:每年先付8%的红利,按季度付,然后在所有本金收回后,

纯利润的75%给投资人,25%给管理公司。

5. 退出:头12个月不可退出,过后可以自行买卖或由公司买回。

截止日期: 2015年12月31日

1. TERM: 1-3 YEARS

2. MINIMUM UNITS: \$50,000 MINIMUM, \$1000 PER UNIT.

3. Use of fund: flipping residential properties in Las Vegas.

4. RETURNS: 8 % PREFERRED PER ANNUL PAYS EVERY QUARTER, THEN AFTER ALL MONEY RETURNED TO INVESTORS, THE NET PROCEED SPLIT 75% TO INVESTORS AND 25 % TO MANAGER LLC.

5. WITHDRAW: NO WITHDRAW WITHIN 1ST 12 MONTH, AFTER THAT YOU CAN RESALE YOUR SHARE OR COMPANY WILL BUY IT BACK.

CLOSE OUT DATE: DEC. 31,2015



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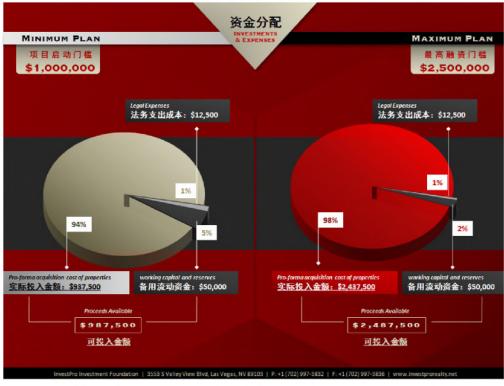






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SELLER'S REAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE FORM

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	Property conditions, improvements and additional information: Are you aware of any of the following?: 1. Structure:	YES	<u>NO</u>	N/A
	(a) Previous or current moisture conditions and/or water damage? (b) Any structural defect? (c) Any construction, modification, alterations or received and the construction of the cons			
	required state, city or county building permits?	-	-	
	NRS 40.600 to 40.695 (construction defect claims)?	. 0	N	
	(If seller answers yes, FURTHER DISCLOSURE IS REQUIRED) 2. Land / Foundation:	_	_	
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5	Pool/spa: Any problems with structure, wall, liner, or equipment Infestation: Any history of infestation (termites, carpenter ants, etc.)?		8	A
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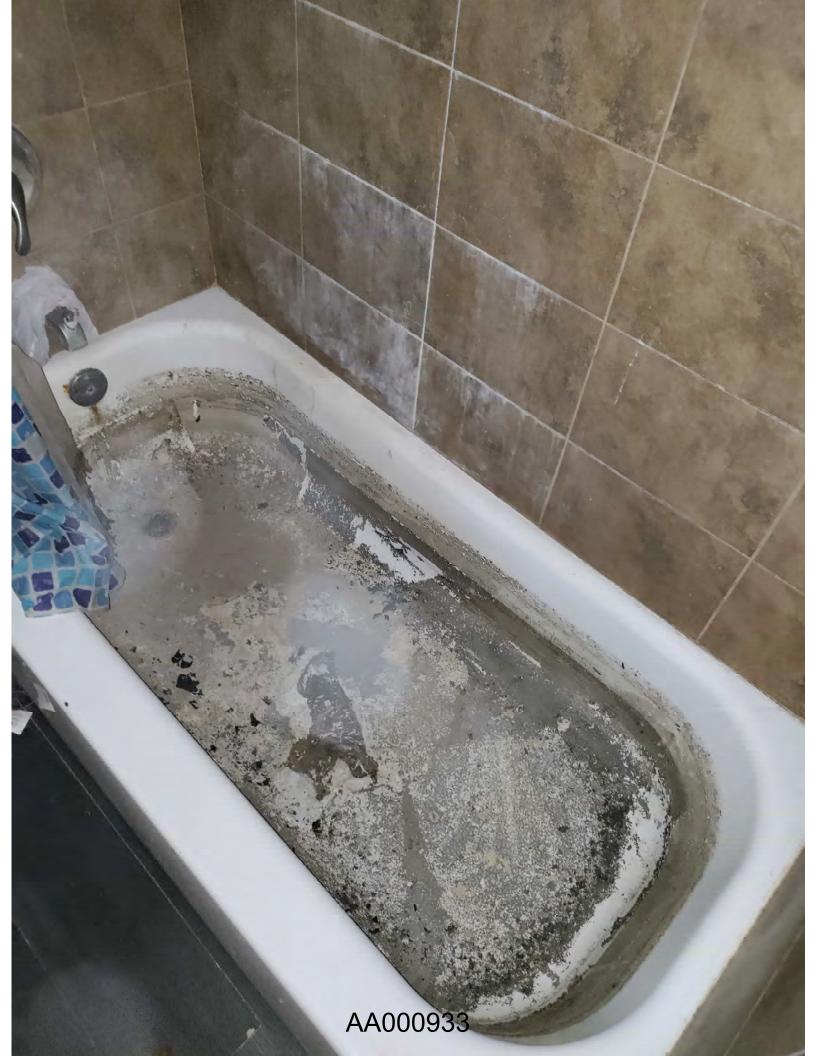


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	deposited within one	(1) business day from	nce . Upon acceptance of offer (as	defined in Sec	tion 23 herein) or 2
	business days if wire	ed to: M Escrow Holde	er, Buyer's Broker's Ti	rust AccountC	OR- □ Seller's Broker's
	Trust Account. (NOT	E: It is a felony in the S	State of Nevada—punishable	e by up to four ye	
	fine—to write a check f	or which there are insuffic	cient funds. NRS 193.130(2)(d).)	THE COUNTY OF THE PARTY OF THE
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	Interest: Fixed rat	e, years - OR -	☐ Adjustable Rate,	years. Seller	further agrees to
	provide the Promisso	ry Note and the most re	ecent monthly statement	of all loans to be	assumed by Buyer
	within FIVE (5) cale	ndar days of acceptance	e of offer.		
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2. ADDIT	TIONAL FINANCIAI	L TERMS & CONTIN	GENCIES:		
Α.	NEW LOAN APPL	LICATION: Within _	2 business days of Ac	ceptance, Buyer	r agrees to (1) submit a
	wledges that he/she has really by addendum or countered		to each and every provision	of this page unle	ss a particular paragraph is
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1	completed loan application to a lender of Buyer's choice and (2) furnish a preapproval letter to Seller based upon a standard
2	factual credit report and review of debt to income ratios. If Buyer fails to complete any of these conditions within the applicable time frame, Seller reserves the right to terminate this Agreement. In such event, both parties agree to cancel the
4	escrow and return EMD to Buyer. Buyer shall use Buyer's best efforts to obtain financing under the terms and conditions
	outlined in this Agreement.
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7	B. APPRAISAL CONTINGENCY: Buyer's obligation to purchase the property is contingent upon the property
8	appraising for not less than the Purchase Price. If after the completion of an appraisal by a licensed appraiser. Buyer receives written
9	notice from the lender or the appraiser that the Property has appraised for less than the purchase price (a "Notice
10	of Appraised Value") Buyer may attempt to renegotiate or cancel the RPA by providing written notice to the Seller (with a copy of
12	the Appraisal) no later than7calendar days after Acceptance of the RPA; whereupon the EMD shall be released to the Buyer without the requirement of written authorization from Seller. IF this Residential Purchase Agreement is not cancelled, in
13	writing on or before the Appraisal Deadline, Buyer shall be deemed to have waived the appraisal contingency.
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15	C. LOAN CONTINGENCY: Buyer's obligation to purchase the property is contingent upon Buyer obtaining the
16	loan referenced in Section 1(C) or 1(D) of the RPA unless otherwise agreed in writing. Buyer shall remove the loan contingency in
17	writing, attempt to renegotiate, or cancel the RPA by providing written notice to the Seller no later than 0 calendar
18	days after Acceptance of the RPA; whereupon the EMD shall be released to the Buyer without the requirement of written
19	authorization from Seller. IF this Residential Purchase Agreement is not cancelled, in writing on or before the Loan
20 21	Contingency Deadline, Buyer shall be deemed to have waived the loan contingency.
22	D. CASH PURCHASE: Within n/a business days of Acceptance, Buyer agrees to provide written evidence
23	from a bona fide financial institution of sufficient cash available to complete this purchase. If Buyer does not submit the
24	written evidence within the above period, Seller reserves the right to terminate this Agreement.
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26	3. SALE OF OTHER PROPERTY: This Agreement ■ is not -OR- □ is contingent upon the sale (and closing) of
27	another property which address is
28	Said Property □ is E is not currently listed -OR-□ is presently in escrow with
29	Escrow Number: Proposed Closing Date:
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31 32	When Buyer has accepted an offer on the sale of this other property, Buyer will promptly deliver a written notice of the sale to
33	Seller. If Buyer's escrow on this other property is terminated, abandoned, or does not close on time, this Agreement will terminate without further notice unless the parties agree otherwise in writing. If Seller accepts a bona fide written offer from a
34	third party prior to Buyer's delivery of notice of acceptance of an offer on the sale of Buyer's property, Seller shall give Buyer
35	written notice of that fact. Within three (3) calendar days of receipt of the notice, Buyer will waive the contingency of the sale
36	and closing of Buyer's other property, or this Agreement will terminate without further notice. In order to be effective, the
37	waiver of contingency must be accompanied by reasonable evidence that funds needed to close escrow will be available and
38	Buyer's ability to obtain financing is not contingent upon the sale and/or close of any other property.
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40 41	4. FIXTURES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY: The following items will be transferred, free of liens, with the sale of
42	the Property with no real value unless stated otherwise herein. Unless an item is covered under Section 7(F) of this Agreement, all items are transferred in an "AS IS" condition. All EXISTING fixtures and fittings including, but not limited to: electrical,
43	mechanical, lighting, plumbing and heating fixtures, ceiling fan(s), fireplace insert(s), gas logs and grates, solar power
44	system(s), built-in appliance(s) including ranges/ovens, window and door screens, awnings, shutters, window coverings,
45	attached floor covering(s), television antenna(s), satellite dish(es), private integrated telephone systems, air
46	coolers/conditioner(s), pool/spa equipment, garage door opener(s)/remote control(s), mailbox, in-ground landscaping,
47	trees/shrub(s), water softener(s), water purifiers, security systems/alarm(s);
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49	The following additional items of personal property:
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51 52	5. ESCROW:
53	A. OPENING OF ESCROW: The purchase of the Property shall be consummated through Escrow
54	("Escrow"). Opening of Escrow shall take place by the end of one (1) business day after Acceptance of this Agreement
	Each party acknowledges that he/she has read, understood, and agrees to each and every provision of this page unless a particular paragraph is otherwise modified by addendum or counteroffer.
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	f Escrow"), at	National Title	title or escrow company ("Escrow Company" or
	IOLDER") with	Lynnette Marrujo	("Escrow Officer") (or such other escrow officer as
Agranant I	pany may assign).	Opening of Escrow shall occur	upon Escrow Company's receipt of this fully accepted
the Escrow N	umber	c is instructed to notify the Parties	(through their respective Agents) of the opening date and
the Escrow N	umber.		
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C.	CLOSE OF ES	SCROW: Close of Escrow ("COE")	shall be on or before:
0	9/22/17		on a weekend or holiday, COE shall be the next business
day.			THE RESERVED TO SECOND SHEET STATES AND THE STATES SHEET SHE
D.	IRS DISCLOS	SURE: Seller is hereby made awa	re that there is a regulation that requires all ESCROW
HOLDERS to	complete a modific	ed 1099 form, based upon specific in	nformation known only between parties in this transaction
and the ESCI	ROW HOLDER. S	eller is also made aware that ESCR	OW HOLDER is required by federal law to provide this
information to	the Internal Reven	ue Service after COE in the manner	prescribed by federal law.
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6. TIT	de og avidensed be	a nation of title income	ntingent upon the Seller's ability to deliver, good and
price furnish	ad by the title	a poncy of title insurance, naming	Buyer as the insured in an amount equal to the purchase
marketable tit	le or its agricultant	ipany identified in Section 5(A). S	Said policy shall be in the form necessary to effectuate
		and shall be paid for as set forth in S	
7. BUY	ER'S DUE DILLO	ENCE: Ruyer's obligation is	is not
defined in this	section 7(A) below	This condition is referred to as the	"Due Diligence Condition" if checked in the affirmative,
Sections 7 (A	through (C) shall a	nnly: otherwise they do not River	shall have 0 calendar days from Acceptance (as
defined in Sec	ction 23 herein) to co	omplete Buyer's Due Diligence Sell	ler agrees to cooperate with Buyer's Due Diligence.
Seller shall e	sure that all neces	sary utilities (gas, power and water	er) and all operable pilot lights are on for Buyer's
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A.	PROPERTY I	NSPECTION/CONDITION: Du	iring the Due Diligence Period, Buyer shall take such
action as Buy	er deems necessary	to determine whether the Propert	y is satisfactory to Buyer including, but not limited to.
whether the P	roperty is insurable	to Buyer's satisfaction, whether the	re are unsatisfactory conditions surrounding or otherwise
affecting the	Property (such as le	ocation of flood zones, airport nois	e, noxious fumes or odors, environmental substances or
hazards, whet	her the Property is	properly zoned, locality to freeways	s, railroads, places of worship, schools, etc.) or any other
concerns Buy	er may have related	to the Property. During such Per	iod, Buyer shall have the right to conduct, non-invasive/
non-destructiv	e inspections of	all structural, roofing, mechan	nical, electrical, plumbing, heating/air conditioning,
water/well/seg	otic, pool/spa, surve	y, square footage, and any other prop	perty or systems, through licensed and bonded contractors
or other quali	fied professionals.	Seller agrees to provide reasonable	access to the Property to Buyer and Buyer's inspectors.
Buyer agrees	to indemnify and h	old Seller harmless with respect to	any injuries suffered by Buyer or third parties present at
Buyer's reque	st while on Seller's	Property conducting such inspecti	ons, tests or walk-throughs. Buyer's indemnity shall not
apply to any i	njuries suffered by I	suyer or third parties present at Buy	er's request that are the result of an intentional tort, gross
negligence or	any misconduct or	omission by Seller, Seller's Agent of	or other third parties on the Property. Buyer is advised to
provinity and	adequacy of law	forcement province	operty conditions, including but not limited to: schools;
protection: of	adequacy of law en	ervices: existing and proposed to	l, industrial, or agricultural activities; crime statistics; fire
from any sour	ce, and other unicat	nces hazards or circumstances. LCT	sportation; construction and development; noise or odor Buyer cancels this Agreement due to a specific inspection
report River	shall provide Salle	r at the time of cancellation with	a copy of the report containing the name, address, and
telephone nun	the inspector	at the time of cancellation with	a copy of the report containing the name, address, and
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В.	BUYER'S RIC	HT TO CANCEL OF PESOLVE	E OBJECTIONS: If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole
	t the results of the	Due Diligence are unaccentable	Buyer may either: (i) no later than the Due Diligence
Deadline refe	renced in Section	, cancel the Residential Purchase	Agreement by providing written notice to the Seller,
whereupon the	Earnest Money D	eposit referenced in Section 1(A) si	hall be released to the Buyer without the requirement of
further writter	authorization from	Seller; or (ii) no later than the Du	e Diligence Deadline referenced in Section 7, resolve in
			and every provision of this page unless a particular paragraph is
otherwise modifi	ed by addendum or cou	nteroffer.	and every provision of this page unless a particular paragraph is
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writing with Seller any objections Buyer has arising from Buyer's Due Diligence.

C. FAILURE TO CANCEL OR RESOLVE OBJECTIONS: If Buyer fails to cancel the Residential Purchase Agreement or fails to resolve in writing with Seller any objections Buyer has arising from Buyer's Due Diligence, as provided in Section 7, Buyer shall be deemed to have waived the Due Diligence Condition.

Buyer's Initials

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D. INSPECTIONS: Acceptance of this offer is subject to the following reserved right. Buyer may have the Property inspected and select the licensed contractors, certified building inspectors and/or other qualified professionals who will inspect the Property. Seller will ensure that necessary utilities (gas, power and water and all operable pilot lights) are turned on and supplied to the Property within two (2) business days after Acceptance of this Agreement, to remain on until COE. It is strongly recommended that Buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections. If any inspection is not completed and requested repairs are not delivered to Seller within the Due Diligence Period, Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law. The foregoing expenses for inspections will be paid outside of Escrow unless the Parties present instructions to the contrary prior to COE, along with the applicable invoice.

(Identify which party shall pay for the inspection noted below either: SELLER, BUYER, 50/50, WAIVED or N/A.)

Type	Paid By	Туре	Paid By	Type	Paid By
Energy Audit	Waived	Fungal Contaminant Inspection	Waived	Well Inspection (Quantity)	N/A
Home Inspection	Buyer	Mechanical Inspection	Waived	Well Inspection (Quality)	N/A
Termite/Pest Inspection	Waived	Pool/Spa Inspection	N/A	Wood-Burning Device/ Chimney Inspection	N/A
Roof Inspection	Waived	Soils Inspection	Waived	Septic Inspection	N/A
Septic Lid Removal	Waived	Septic Pumping	N/A	Structural Inspection	Waived
Survey (type):	N/A	Other:		Other:	

- E. CERTIFICATIONS: In the event an inspection reveals areas of concern with the roof, septic system, well, wood burning device/chimney or the possible presence of a fungal contaminant, Buyer reserves the right to require a certification. The expenses for certifications will be paid outside of Escrow unless the Parties present instructions to the contrary prior to COE (along with the applicable invoice). A certification is not a warranty.
- F. BUYER'S REQUEST FOR REPAIRS: It is Buyer's responsibility to inspect the Property sufficiently as to satisfy Buyer's use. Buyer reserves the right to request repairs, based upon the Seller's Real Property Disclosure or items which materially affect value or use of the Property revealed by an inspection, certification or appraisal. Items of a general maintenance or cosmetic nature which do not materially affect value or use of the Property, which existed at the time of Acceptance and which are not expressly addressed in this Agreement are deemed accepted by the Buyer, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement. The Brokers herein have no responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party.
- 8. FEES, AND PRORATIONS (Identify which party shall pay the costs noted below either: SELLER, BUYER, 50/50, WAIVED or N/A.)

A. TITLE, ESCROW & APPRAISAL FEES:

Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By
Escrow Fees	50/50	Lender's Title Policy	Buyer	Owner's Title Policy	Seller
Real Property Transfer Tax	Seller	Appraisal	Buyer	Other:	1,000

B. PRORATIONS: Any and all rents, taxes, interest, homeowner association fees, trash service fees, payments on bonds, SIDs, LIDs, and assessments assumed by the Buyer, and other expenses of the property shall be prorated as of the date of the recordation of the deed. Security deposits, advance rentals or considerations involving future lease credits shall be

otherwise modified	wieuges d by adde	that he/she has read, understood, and agrees to each and every provi	sion of this page unless a particular paragraph is
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credited to the Buyer. All prorations will be based on a 30-day month and will be calculated as of COE. Prorations will be
based upon figures available at closing. Any supplementals or adjustments that occur after COE will be handled by the parties outside of Escrow.
C. PRELIMINARY TITLE REPORT: Within ten (10) business days of Opening of Escrow, Title Company
shall provide Buyer with a Preliminary Title Report ("PTR") to review, which must be approved or rejected within five (5)
business days of receipt thereof. If Buyer does not object to the PTR within the period specified above, the PTR shall be
deemed accepted. If Buyer makes an objection to any item(s) contained within the PTR, Seller shall have five (5) business
days after receipt of objections to correct or address the objections. If, within the time specified, Seller fails to have each such

	D,	LENDER AND CLOSING FEES: In addition to Seller's expenses identified herein, Seller will contribute
\$	5000	to Buyer's Lender's Fees and/or Buyer's Title and Escrow Fees ■ including -OR- □ excluding
costs	which Selle	r must pay pursuant to loan program requirements. Different loan types (e.g., FHA, VA, conventional) have
differe	ent appraisa	l and financing requirements, which will affect the parties' rights and costs under this Agreement.

exception removed or to correct each such objection, Buyer shall have the option to: (a) terminate this Agreement by providing

notice to Seller and Escrow Officer, entitling Buyer to a refund of the EMD or (b) elect to accept title to the Property as is. All

title exceptions approved or deemed accepted are hereafter collectively referred to as the "Permitted Exceptions."

E. H	IOME PROT	ECTION	PLAN: Buyer a	nd Seller acknowledge that they have been made aware of Home
		erage to		Buyer waives -OR- □ requires a Home Protection Plan with Seller -OR- □ Buyer will pay for the Home Protection
Plan at a price not t	277.6	0	. Buyer wil	l order the Home Protection Plan. Neither Seller nor Brokers make
any representation a	as to the extent	of cover	age or deductibles	of such plans.

- 9. TRANSFER OF TITLE: Upon COE, Buyer shall tender to Seller the agreed upon Purchase Price, and Seller shall tender to Buyer marketable title to the Property free of all encumbrances other than (1) current real property taxes, (2) covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&R's) and related restrictions, (3) zoning or master plan restrictions and public utility easements; and (4) obligations assumed and encumbrances accepted by Buyer prior to COE. Buyer is advised the Property may be reassessed after COE which may result in a real property tax increase or decrease.
- 10. COMMON-INTEREST COMMUNITIES: If the Property is subject to a Common Interest Community ("CIC"), Seller shall provide AT SELLER's EXPENSE the CIC documents as required by NRS 116.4109 (collectively, the "resale package"). Seller shall request the resale package within two (2) business days of Acceptance and provide the same to Buyer within one (1) business day of Seller's receipt thereof.
 - Pursuant to NRS 116.4109, Buyer may cancel this Agreement without penalty until midnight of the fifth (5th) calendar day following the date of receipt of the resale package. If Buyer elects to cancel this Agreement pursuant to this statute, he/she must deliver, via hand delivery, prepaid U.S. mail, or electronic transmission, a written notice of cancellation to Seller or his or her authorized agent.
 - If Buyer does not receive the resale package within fifteen (15) calendar days of Acceptance, this Agreement
 may be cancelled in full by Buyer without penalty. Notice of cancellation shall be delivered pursuant to Section 24
 of the RPA.
 - Upon such written cancellation, Buyer shall promptly receive a refund of the EMD. The parties agree to execute any
 documents requested by ESCROW HOLDER to facilitate the refund. If written cancellation is not received within the
 specified time period, the resale package will be deemed approved. Seller shall pay all outstanding CIC fines or
 penalties at COE.
- A. CIC RELATED EXPENSES: (Identify which party shall pay the costs noted below either: SELLER, BUYER, 50/50, WAIVED or N/A.)

Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By
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Other:					

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1 2	11. DISCLOSURES: Within five (5) calendar days of Acceptance of this Agreement, Seller will provide following Disclosures and/or documents. Check applicable boxes.	le the
3	Seller Real Property Disclosure Form: (NRS 113.130) Open Range Disclosure: (NRS 113.065	3
4	Construction Defect Claims Disclosure: If Seller has marked "Yes" to Paragraph 1(d) of the	,
5	Sellers Real Property Disclosure Form (NRS 40.688)	
6	Lead-Based Paint Disclosure and Acknowledgment: required if constructed before 1978 (24 CFR 745.113)	
7	□ Other: (list)	
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9	 FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING COMPLIANCE AND DISCLOSURES: All properties are offered without reg 	ard to
10 11 12	race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, gender identity or expression, familial status, sexual orientation, ances handicap and any other current requirements of federal or state fair housing laws.	ry, or
13	13. WALK-THROUGH INSPECTION OF PROPERTY: Buyer is entitled under this Agreement to a walk-through	
14	the Property within calendar days prior to COE to ensure the Property and all major systems, appli	ign of
15	heating/cooling, plumbing and electrical systems and mechanical fixtures are as stated in Seller's Real Property Disc	osure
16	Statement, and that the Property and improvements are in the same general condition as when this Agreement was Accept	ed by
17	Seller and Buyer. To facilitate Buyer's walk-through, Seller is responsible for keeping all necessary utilities on, include	ng all
18	operable pilot lights. If any systems cannot be checked by Buyer on walk-through due to non-access or no power/gas/	water.
19 20	then Buyer reserves the right to hold Seller responsible for defects which could not be detected on walk-through becau	ise of
21	lack of such access or power/gas/water. The purpose of the walk-through is to confirm (a) the Property is being maintain	ed (b)
22	repairs, if any, have been completed as agreed, and (c) Seller has complied with Seller's other obligations. If Buyer elector conduct a walk-through inspection prior to COE, then all systems, items and aspects of the Property are de	s not
23	satisfactory, and Buyer releases Seller's liability for costs of any repair that would have reasonably been identified	by a
24	walk-through inspection, except as otherwise provided by law.	by a
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26	 DELIVERY OF POSSESSION: Seller shall deliver the Property along with any keys, alarm codes, garage 	door
27 28	opener/controls and, if freely transferable, parking permits and gate transponders outside of Escrow, upon COE. Seller	grees
29	to vacate the Property and leave the Property in a neat and orderly, broom-clean condition and tender possession no late COE -OR In the event Seller does not vacate the Property by this time, Seller shall be considered.	than
30	a trespasser in addition to Buyer's other legal and equitable remedies. Any personal property left on the Property after the pr	dered
31	indicated in this section shall be considered abandoned by Seller.	ne date
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33	 RISK OF LOSS: Risk of loss shall be governed by NRS 113.040. This law provides generally that if all c 	r any
34	material part of the Property is destroyed before transfer of legal title or possession, Seller cannot enforce the Agreement	t and
35 36	Buyer is entitled to recover any portion of the sale price paid. If legal title or possession has transferred, risk of loss shal to Buyer.	shift
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38	16. ASSIGNMENT OF THIS AGREEMENT: Unless otherwise stated herein, this Agreement is non-assig	nable
39	unless agreed upon in writing by all parties.	latic
40 41	17. CANCELLATION OF AGREEMENT: In the event this Agreement is properly cancelled in accordance with	
42	17. CANCELLATION OF AGREEMENT: In the event this Agreement is properly cancelled in accordance with terms contained herein, then Buyer will be entitled to a refund of the EMD. Neither Buyer nor Seller will be reimbursed for the EMD.	h the
43	expenses incurred in conjunction with due diligence, inspections, appraisals or any other matters pertaining to this transfer	r any
44	funless otherwise provided herein or except as otherwise provided by law).	ction
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46	18. DEFAULT:	
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48 49	A. MEDIATION: Before any legal action is taken to enforce any term or condition under this Agreement	t, the
50	parties agree to engage in mediation, a dispute resolution process, through GLVAR. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it event the Buyer finds it necessary to file a claim for specific performance, this section shall not apply. Each parties agree to engage in mediation, a dispute resolution process, through GLVAR. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it	n the
51	encouraged to have an independent lawyer of their choice review this mediation provision before agreeing thereto. By init	ty is
52	below, the parties confirm that they have read and understand this section and voluntarily agree to the provisions thereof.	anng
53	BUYER(S) INITIALS: MZ / SELLER(S) INITIALS: W	
	Each party acknowledges that he/she has read, understood, and agrees to each and every provision of this page unless a particular paragratherwise modified by addendum or counteroffer.	aph is
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IF SELLER DEFAULTS: If Seller defaults in performance under this Agreement, Buyer reserves all legal and/or equitable rights (such as specific performance) against Seller, and Buyer may seek to recover Buyer's actual damages incurred by Buyer due to Seller's default.

C. IF BUYER DEFAULTS: If Buyer defaults in performance under this Agreement, as Seller's sole legal recourse, Seller may retain, as liquidated damages, the EMD. In this respect, the Parties agree that Seller's actual damages would be difficult to measure and that the EMD is in fact a reasonable estimate of the damages that Seller would suffer as a result of Buyer's default. Seller understands that any additional deposit not considered part of the EMD in Section 1(B) herein will be immediately released by ESCROW HOLDER to Buyer.

Instructions to Escrow

- 19. ESCROW: If this Agreement or any matter relating hereto shall become the subject of any litigation or controversy, Buyer and Seller agree, jointly and severally, to hold ESCROW HOLDER free and harmless from any loss or expense, except losses or expenses as may arise from ESCROW HOLDER'S negligence or willful misconduct. If conflicting demands are made or notices served upon ESCROW HOLDER with respect to this Agreement, the parties expressly agree that Escrow is entitled to file a suit in interpleader and obtain an order from the Court authorizing ESCROW HOLDER to deposit all such documents and monies with the Court, and obtain an order from the Court requiring the parties to interplead and litigate their several claims and rights among themselves. Upon the entry of an order authorizing such Interpleader, ESCROW HOLDER shall be fully released and discharged from any obligations imposed upon it by this Agreement; and ESCROW HOLDER shall not be liable for the sufficiency or correctness as to form, manner, execution or validity of any instrument deposited with it, nor as to the identity, authority or rights of any person executing such instrument, nor for failure of Buyer or Seller to comply with any of the provisions of any agreement, contract or other instrument filed with ESCROW HOLDER or referred to herein. ESCROW HOLDER'S duties hereunder shall be limited to the safekeeping of all monies, instruments or other documents received by it as ESCROW HOLDER, and for their disposition in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In the event an action is instituted in connection with this escrow, in which ESCROW HOLDER is named as a party or is otherwise compelled to make an appearance, all costs, expenses, attorney fees, and judgments ESCROW HOLDER may expend or incur in said action, shall be the responsibility of the parties hereto.
- 20. UNCLAIMED FUNDS: In the event that funds from this transaction remain in an account, held by ESCROW HOLDER, for such a period of time that they are deemed "abandoned" under the provisions of Chapter 120A of the Nevada Revised Statutes, ESCROW HOLDER is hereby authorized to impose a charge upon the dormant escrow account. Said charge shall be no less than \$5.00 per month and may not exceed the highest rate of charge permitted by statute or regulation. ESCROW HOLDER is further authorized and directed to deduct the charge from the dormant escrow account for as long as the funds are held by ESCROW HOLDER.

Brokers

- BROKER'S COMPENSATION/FEES: Buyer herein requires, and Seller agrees, as a condition of this Agreement, that Seller will pay Listing Broker and Buyer's Broker, who becomes by this clause a third party beneficiary to this Agreement, that certain sum and/or percentage of the Purchase Price (commission), that Seller, or Seller's Broker, offered for the procurement of ready, willing and able Buyer via the Multiple Listing Service, any other advertisement or written offer. Seller understands and agrees that if Seller defaults hereunder, Buyer's Broker, as a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement, has the right to pursue all legal recourse against Seller for any commission due. In addition to any amount due to Buyer's Broker from Seller or Seller's Broker, Buyer & will -OR- | will not pay Buyer's Broker additional compensation in an amount determined between the Buyer and Buyer's Broker.
- 22. WAIVER OF CLAIMS: Buyer and Seller agree that they are not relying upon any representations made by Brokers or Broker's agent. Buyer acknowledges that at COE, the Property will be sold AS-IS, WHERE-IS without any representations or warranties, unless expressly stated herein. Buyer agrees to satisfy himself/herself, as to the condition of the Property, prior to COE. Buyer acknowledges that any statements of acreage or square footage by Brokers are simply estimates, and Buyer agrees to make such measurements, as Buyer deems necessary, to ascertain actual acreage or square footage. Buyer waives all

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Other Matters

DEFINITIONS: "Acceptance" means the date that both parties have consented to a final, binding contract by affixing their signatures to this Agreement and all counteroffers and said Agreement and all counteroffers have been delivered to both parties pursuant to Section 24 herein. "Agent" means a licensee working under a Broker or licensees working under a developer. "Agreement" includes this document as well as all accepted counteroffers and addenda. "Appraisal" means a written appraisal or Notice of Value as required by any lending institution prepared by a licensed or certified professional. "Bona Fide" means genuine. "Buyer" means one or more individuals or the entity that intends to purchase the Property. "Broker" means the Nevada licensed real estate broker listed herein representing Seller and/or Buyer (and all real estate agents associated therewith). "Business Day" excludes Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. "Calendar Day" means a calendar day from/to midnight unless otherwise specified. "CFR" means the Code of Federal Regulations. "CIC" means Common Interest Community (formerly known as "HOA" or homeowners associations). "CIC Capital Contribution" means a onetime non-administrative fee, cost or assessment charged by the CIC upon change of ownership. "CIC Transfer Fees" means the administrative service fee charged by a CIC to transfer ownership records. "Close of Escrow (COE)" means the time of recordation of the deed in Buyer's name. "Default" means the failure of a Party to observe or perform any of its material obligations under this Agreement. "Delivered" means personally delivered to Parties or respective Agents, transmitted by facsimile machine, electronic means, overnight delivery, or mailed by regular mail. "Down Payment" is the Purchase Price less loan amount(s). "EMD" means Buyer's earnest money deposit. "Escrow Holder" means the neutral party that will handle the closing. "FHA" is the U.S. Federal Housing Administration. "GLVAR" means the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®. "Good Funds" means an acceptable form of payment determined by ESCROW HOLDER in accordance with NRS 645A.171. "IRC" means the Internal Revenue Code (tax code). "LID" means Limited Improvement District. "N/A" means not applicable. "NAC" means Nevada Administrative Code. "NRS" means Nevada Revised Statues as Amended. "Party" or "Parties" means Buyer and Seller. "PITI" means principal, interest, taxes, and hazard insurance. "PMI" means private mortgage insurance. "PST" means Pacific Standard Time, and includes daylight savings time if in effect on the date specified. "PTR" means Preliminary Title Report. "Property" means the real property and any personal property included in the sale as provided herein. "Receipt" means delivery to the party or the party's agent. "RPA" means Residential Purchase Agreement. "Seller" means one or more individuals or the entity that is the owner of the Property. "SID" means Special Improvement District. "Title Company" means the company that will provide title insurance. "USC" is the United States Code. "VA" is the Veterans Administration.

24. SIGNATURES, DELIVERY, AND NOTICES:

- A. This Agreement may be signed by the parties on more than one copy, which, when taken together, each signed copy shall be read as one complete form. This Agreement (and documents related to any resulting transaction) may be signed by the parties manually or digitally. Facsimile signatures may be accepted as original.
- B. When a Party wishes to provide notice as required in this Agreement, such notice shall be sent regular mail, personal delivery, overnight delivery, by facsimile, and/or by electronic transmission to the Agent for that Party. The notification shall be effective when postmarked, received, faxed, delivery confirmed, and/or read receipt confirmed in the case of email. Delivery of all instruments or documents associated with this Agreement shall be delivered to the Agent for Seller or Buyer if represented. Any cancellation notice shall be contemporaneously delivered to Escrow in the same manner.
- 25. IRC 1031 EXCHANGE: Seller and/or Buyer may make this transaction part of an IRC 1031 exchange. The party electing to make this transaction part of an IRC 1031 exchange will pay all additional expenses associated therewith, at no cost to the other party. The other party agrees to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate such an exchange.
- 26. OTHER ESSENTIAL TERMS: Time is of the essence. No change, modification or amendment of this Agreement

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ADDENDUM NO. ___1 TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT



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covering the real property	at 2132			LASVEGAS	NV	89104
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ADDENDUM NO. ____2 TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT



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	(Joint Escrow Instructions)	D	00/11/17
		Date:	08/11/17
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whereupon the EMD shall be released to the Buy	yer without the requirement of written
meel the RPA by providing written notice to t	the Seller no later than 21 calendar
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ase Price. If after the completion of an appraisa	al by a licensed appraiser, Buyer receives written
NTINGENCY: Buyer's obligation to purchase	se the property is contingent upon the proper
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debt to income ratios. If Buyer fails to constant the right to terminate this Agreement In	complete any of these conditions within the
	der of Buyer's choice and (2) furnish a pread debt to income ratios. If Buyer fails to test the right to terminate this Agreement. In Buyer shall use Buyer's best efforts to obtain

1 2	("Opening of Escrow"), at Nevada Title title or escrow company ("Escrow Company" or "ESCROW HOLDER") with Michele Eaton ("Escrow Officer") (or such other escrow officer as
3	Escrow Company may assign). Opening of Escrow shall occur upon Escrow Company's receipt of this fully accepted
4	Agreement, ESCROW HOLDER is instructed to notify the Parties (through their respective Agents) of the opening date and
5	the Escrow Number.
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7	B. EARNEST MONEY: Upon Acceptance, Buyer's EMD as shown in Section 1(A), and 1(B) if applicable, of
8	this Agreement, shall be deposited pursuant to the language in Section 1(A) and 1(B) if applicable.
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10	C. CLOSE OF ESCROW: Close of Escrow ("COE") shall be on or before:
11	30 days upon acceptance (date). If the designated date falls on a weekend or holiday, COE shall be the next business
12 13	day.
14	D. IRS DISCLOSURE: Seller is hereby made aware that there is a regulation that requires all ESCROW
15	HOLDERS to complete a modified 1099 form, based upon specific information known only between parties in this transaction
16	and the ESCROW HOLDER. Seller is also made aware that ESCROW HOLDER is required by federal law to provide this
17	information to the Internal Revenue Service after COE in the manner prescribed by federal law.
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19	6. TITLE INSURANCE: This Purchase Agreement is contingent upon the Seller's ability to deliver, good and
20	marketable title as evidenced by a policy of title insurance, naming Buyer as the insured in an amount equal to the purchase
21	price, furnished by the title company identified in Section 5(A). Said policy shall be in the form necessary to effectuate
22	marketable title or its equivalent and shall be paid for as set forth in Section 8(A).
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24	7. BUYER'S DUE DILIGENCE: Buyer's obligation is is not conditioned on the Buyer's Due Diligence as
25	defined in this section 7(A) below. This condition is referred to as the "Due Diligence Condition" if checked in the affirmative,
26	Sections 7 (A) through (C) shall apply; otherwise they do not. Buyer shall have 14 calendar days from Acceptance (as
27	defined in Section 23 herein) to complete Buyer's Due Diligence. Seller agrees to cooperate with Buyer's Due Diligence.
28	Seller shall ensure that all necessary utilities (gas, power and water) and all operable pilot lights are on for Buyer's
29 30	investigations and through the close of escrow.
31	A. PROPERTY INSPECTION/CONDITION: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer shall take such
32	action as Buyer deems necessary to determine whether the Property is satisfactory to Buyer including, but not limited to,
33	whether the Property is insurable to Buyer's satisfaction, whether there are unsatisfactory conditions surrounding or otherwise
34	affecting the Property (such as location of flood zones, airport noise, noxious fumes or odors, environmental substances or
35	hazards, whether the Property is properly zoned, locality to freeways, railroads, places of worship, schools, etc.) or any other
36	concerns Buyer may have related to the Property. During such Period, Buyer shall have the right to conduct, non-invasive/
37	non-destructive inspections of all structural, roofing, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, heating/air conditioning,
38	water/well/septic, pool/spa, survey, square footage, and any other property or systems, through licensed and bonded contractors
39	or other qualified professionals. Seller agrees to provide reasonable access to the Property to Buyer and Buyer's inspectors.
40	Buyer agrees to indemnify and hold Seller harmless with respect to any injuries suffered by Buyer or third parties present at
41	Buyer's request while on Seller's Property conducting such inspections, tests or walk-throughs. Buyer's indemnity shall not apply to any injuries suffered by Buyer or third parties present at Buyer's request that are the result of an intentional tort, gross
42 43	negligence or any misconduct or omission by Seller, Seller's Agent or other third parties on the Property. Buyer is advised to
44	consult with appropriate professionals regarding neighborhood or Property conditions, including but not limited to: schools;
45	proximity and adequacy of law enforcement; proximity to commercial, industrial, or agricultural activities; crime statistics; fire
46	protection; other governmental services; existing and proposed transportation; construction and development; noise or odor
47	from any source; and other nuisances, hazards or circumstances. If Buyer cancels this Agreement due to a specific inspection
48	report, Buyer shall provide Seller at the time of cancellation with a copy of the report containing the name, address, and
49	telephone number of the inspector.
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51	B. BUYER'S RIGHT TO CANCEL OR RESOLVE OBJECTIONS: If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole
52	discretion, that the results of the Due Diligence are unacceptable, Buyer may either: (i) no later than the Due Diligence
53	Deadline referenced in Section 7, cancel the Residential Purchase Agreement by providing written notice to the Seller,
54	whereupon the Earnest Money Deposit referenced in Section 1(A) shall be released to the Buyer without the requirement of further written authorization from Seller; or (ii) no later than the Due Diligence Deadline referenced in Section 7, resolve in
55	Turther written authorization from Selier, or (II) no later than the Due Dingence Deadline referenced in Section 7, resolve in
	Each party acknowledges that he/she has read, understood, and agrees to each and every provision of this page unless a particular paragraph is
	otherwise modified by addendum or counteroffer. Buyer's Name: Marie Zhu BUYER(S) INITIALS:
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writing with Seller any objections Buyer has arising from Buyer's Due Diligence.

C. FAILURE TO CANCEL OR RESOLVE OBJECTIONS: If Buyer fails to cancel the Residential Purchase Agreement or fails to resolve in writing with Seller any objections Buyer has arising from Buyer's Due Diligence, as provided in Section 7, Buyer shall be deemed to have waived the Due Diligence Condition.

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Property inspected and select the licensed contractors, certified building inspectors and/or other qualified professionals who will inspect the Property. Seller will ensure that necessary utilities (gas, power and water and all operable pilot lights) are turned on and supplied to the Property within two (2) business days after Acceptance of this Agreement, to remain on until COE. It is strongly recommended that Buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections. If any inspection is not completed and requested repairs are not delivered to Seller within the Due Diligence Period, Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law. The foregoing expenses for inspections will be paid outside of Escrow unless the Parties present instructions to the contrary prior to COE, along with the applicable invoice.

(Identify which party shall pay for the inspection noted below either: SELLER, BUYER, 50/50, WAIVED or N/A.)

Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By
Energy Audit	Waived	Fungal Contaminant Inspection	Waived	Well Inspection (Quantity)	N/A
Home Inspection	Buyer	Mechanical Inspection	Waived	Well Inspection (Quality)	N/A
Termite/Pest Inspection	Waived	Pool/Spa Inspection	N/A	Wood-Burning Device/ Chimney Inspection	N/A
Roof Inspection	Waived	Soils Inspection	Waived	Septic Inspection	N/A
Septic Lid Removal	Waived	Septic Pumping	N/A	Structural Inspection	Waived
Survey (type):	N/A	Other:		Other:	

- E. CERTIFICATIONS: In the event an inspection reveals areas of concern with the roof, septic system, well, wood burning device/chimney or the possible presence of a fungal contaminant, Buyer reserves the right to require a certification. The expenses for certifications will be paid outside of Escrow unless the Parties present instructions to the contrary prior to COE (along with the applicable invoice). A certification is not a warranty.
- F. BUYER'S REQUEST FOR REPAIRS: It is Buyer's responsibility to inspect the Property sufficiently as to satisfy Buyer's use. Buyer reserves the right to request repairs, based upon the Seller's Real Property Disclosure or items which materially affect value or use of the Property revealed by an inspection, certification or appraisal. Items of a general maintenance or cosmetic nature which do not materially affect value or use of the Property, which existed at the time of Acceptance and which are not expressly addressed in this Agreement are deemed accepted by the Buyer, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement. The Brokers herein have no responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party.
- 8. FEES, AND PRORATIONS (Identify which party shall pay the costs noted below either: SELLER, BUYER, 50/50, WAIVED or N/A.)

A. TITLE, ESCROW & APPRAISAL FEES:

Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By	Type	Paid By
Escrow Fees	50/50	Lender's Title Policy	Buyer	Owner's Title Policy	Seller
Real Property Transfer	Seller	Appraisal	Buyer	Other:	

B. PRORATIONS: Any and all rents, taxes, interest, homeowner association fees, trash service fees, payments on bonds, SIDs, LIDs, and assessments assumed by the Buyer, and other expenses of the property shall be prorated as of the date of the recordation of the deed. Security deposits, advance rentals or considerations involving future lease credits shall be

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1	credited to the Buyer. All proration	ns will be	based on a 30-day month ar	nd will be cale	culated as of COE. I	Prorations will be
2	based upon figures available at clo	sing. Any	supplementals or adjustment	s that occur at	ter COE will be hand	lled by the parties
3	outside of Escrow.					4
4	C. PRELIMINARY	Y TITLE	REPORT: Within ton (10)	ousiness days	of Opening of Escrov	v, Title Company
5	shall provide Buyer with a Prelim	inary Title	e Report ("PTR") to review,	which must b	e approved or rejecte	ed within five (5)
6	business days of receipt thereof.	If Buyer	does not object to the PTR	within the per	iod specified above,	the PTR shall be
7	deemed accepted. If Buyer makes					
8	days after receipt of objections to o					
9	exception removed or to correct ea	ch such of	bjection, Buyer shall have the	option to: (a)	terminate this Agreen	nent by providing
10	notice to Seller and Escrow Officer					
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13	D. LENDER AND	CLOSIN	G FEES: In addition to Sel	ler's expenses	identified herein, Sell	ler will contribute
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24	9. TRANSFER OF TITLE	: Unon C	COE, Buyer shall tender to Se	ller the agree	unon Purchase Price	e. and Seller shall
25	tender to Buyer marketable title	to the F	Property free of all encumb	rances other	than (1) current rea	l property taxes.
26	(2) covenants, conditions and restr	rictions (C	C&R's) and related restriction	ns. (3) zoning	or master plan restri	ictions and public
27	utility easements; and (4) obligat	tions assu	med and encumbrances acce	nted by Buve	r prior to COE. Buy	er is advised the
28	Property may be reassessed after C	OE which	may result in a real property	tax increase o	r decrease.	
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30	10. COMMON-INTEREST	COMMI	UNITIES: If the Property is	subject to a (Common Interest Cor	nmunity ("CIC"),
31	Seller shall provide AT SELLER	e's EXPE	NSE the CIC documents as	required by I	NRS 116.4109 (collec	tively, the "resale
32	package"). Seller shall request the	resale pa	ckage within two (2) busines	s days of Acce	ptance and provide t	he same to Buyer
33	within one (1) business day of Sell			•		
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35	 Pursuant to NRS 116.41 	109, Buye	r may cancel this Agreemer	t without per	alty until midnight	of the fifth (5th)
36	calendar day following t	the date o	f receipt of the resale packa	ge. If Buyer e	lects to cancel this Ag	greement pursuant
37	to this statute, he/she mus	st deliver,	via hand delivery, prepaid U.	S. mail, or elec	tronic transmission,	a written notice of
38	cancellation to Seller or h	is or her a	uthorized agent.			
39	 If Buyer does not receive 	ve the res	ale package within fifteen	(15) calendar	days of Acceptance	, this Agreement
40	may be cancelled in full	by Buyer	without penalty. Notice of	cancellation sh	all be delivered purs	uant to Section 24
41	of the RPA.					
42	 Upon such written cancel 	llation, Bu	yer shall promptly receive a	refund of the	EMD. The parties ago	ree to execute any
43	documents requested by I	ESCROW	HOLDER to facilitate the ref	fund. If writter	cancellation is not re	eceived within the
44	specified time period, th	e resale p	ackage will be deemed appr	roved. Seller	shall pay all outstand	ling CIC fines or
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1 2	11. follow	DISCLOSURES: Within five (5) calendar days of Acceptance of this Agreement, Seller will provide ring Disclosures and/or documents. Check applicable boxes.	the
3	XI ·	Seller Real Property Disclosure Form: (NRS 113.130)	
4 5		Construction Defect Claims Disclosure: If Seller has marked "Yes" to Paragraph 1(d) of the Sellers Real Property Disclosure Form (NRS 40.688)	
6	M	Lead-Based Paint Disclosure and Acknowledgment: required if constructed before 1978 (24 CFR 745.113)	
7		Other: (list)	
8	11	Other: (135)	
9	12.	FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING COMPLIANCE AND DISCLOSURES: All properties are offered without regard	d to
0	race, handi	color, religion, sex, national origin, age, gender identity or expression, familial status, sexual orientation, ancestry, cap and any other current requirements of federal or state fair housing laws.	, or
2	13.	WALK-THROUGH INSPECTION OF PROPERTY: Buyer is entitled under this Agreement to a walk-through	h of
4	the P	roperty within3 calendar days prior to COE to ensure the Property and all major systems, appliance	ces.
5	heatin	ng/cooling, plumbing and electrical systems and mechanical fixtures are as stated in Seller's Real Property Disclos	sure
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7	Seller	and Buyer. To facilitate Buyer's walk-through, Seller is responsible for keeping all necessary utilities on, including	, all
8	opera	ble pilot lights. If any systems cannot be checked by Buyer on walk-through due to non-access or no power/gas/wa	iter,
9	then I	Buyer reserves the right to hold Seller responsible for defects which could not be detected on walk-through because if such access or power/gas/water. The purpose of the walk-through is to confirm (a) the Property is being maintained	(b)
I	renair	s, if any, have been completed as agreed, and (c) Seller has complied with Seller's other obligations. If Buyer elects	not
2	to con	nduct a walk-through inspection prior to COE, then all systems, items and aspects of the Property are deen	ned
3	satisf	actory, and Buyer releases Seller's liability for costs of any repair that would have reasonably been identified b	у а
4	walk-	through inspection, except as otherwise provided by law.	
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6	14.	DELIVERY OF POSSESSION: Seller shall deliver the Property along with any keys, alarm codes, garage derocontrols and, if freely transferable, parking permits and gate transponders outside of Escrow, upon COE. Seller agr	rees
.7 .8	to vac	eate the Property and leave the Property in a neat and orderly, broom-clean condition and tender possession no later t	than
9	K CO	E —OR—☐ . In the event Seller does not vacate the Property by this time, Seller shall be consider	ered
0	a tres	passer in addition to Buyer's other legal and equitable remedies. Any personal property left on the Property after the	e date
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3 4 5	15. mater Buyer	RISK OF LOSS: Risk of loss shall be governed by NRS 113.040. This law provides generally that if all or ial part of the Property is destroyed before transfer of legal title or possession, Seller cannot enforce the Agreement r is entitled to recover any portion of the sale price paid. If legal title or possession has transferred, risk of loss shall selected to recover any portion of the sale price paid.	and
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7	17	ASSIGNMENT OF THIS AGREEMENT: Unless otherwise stated herein, this Agreement is non-assign	ahle
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11 12 13	17. terms	CANCELLATION OF AGREEMENT: In the event this Agreement is properly cancelled in accordance with contained herein, then Buyer will be entitled to a refund of the EMD. Neither Buyer nor Seller will be reimbursed for uses incurred in conjunction with due diligence, inspections, appraisals or any other matters pertaining to this transaction.	any
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15	18.	DEFAULT:	
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18 19 50	partie	A. MEDIATION: Before any legal action is taken to enforce any term of condition under this Agreement, as agree to engage in mediation, a dispute resolution process, through GLVAR. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the Buyer finds it necessary to file a claim for specific performance, this section shall not apply. Each part	the
51	encor	uraged to have an independent lawyer of their choice review this mediation provision before agreeing thereto. By initia	ding
52 53	belov	w, the parties confirm that they have read and understand this section and voluntarily agree to the provisions thereof. BUYER(S) INITIALS: MZ / SELLER(S) INITIALS:	
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and/or equitable rights (such as specific performance) against Seller, and Buyer may seek to recover Buyer's actual damages incurred by Buyer due to Seller's default. IF BUYER DEFAULTS: If Buyer defaults in performance under this Agreement, as Seller's sole legal

recourse, Seller may retain, as liquidated damages, the EMD. In this respect, the Parties agree that Seller's actual damages would be difficult to measure and that the EMD is in fact a reasonable estimate of the damages that Seller would suffer as a result of Buyer's default. Seller understands that any additional deposit not considered part of the EMD in Section 1(B) herein will be immediately released by ESCROW HOLDER to Buyer.

IF SELLER DEFAULTS: If Seller defaults in performance under this Agreement, Buyer reserves all legal

Instructions to Escrow

- ESCROW: If this Agreement or any matter relating hereto shall become the subject of any litigation or controversy, Buyer and Seller agree, jointly and severally, to hold ESCROW HOLDER free and harmless from any loss or expense, except losses or expenses as may arise from ESCROW HOLDER'S negligence or willful misconduct. If conflicting demands are made or notices served upon ESCROW HOLDER with respect to this Agreement, the parties expressly agree that Escrow is entitled to file a suit in interpleader and obtain an order from the Court authorizing ESCROW HOLDER to deposit all such documents and monies with the Court, and obtain an order from the Court requiring the parties to interplead and litigate their several claims and rights among themselves. Upon the entry of an order authorizing such Interpleader, ESCROW HOLDER shall be fully released and discharged from any obligations imposed upon it by this Agreement; and ESCROW HOLDER shall not be liable for the sufficiency or correctness as to form, manner, execution or validity of any instrument deposited with it, nor as to the identity, authority or rights of any person executing such instrument, nor for failure of Buyer or Seller to comply with any of the provisions of any agreement, contract or other instrument filed with ESCROW HOLDER or referred to herein. ESCROW HOLDER'S duties hereunder shall be limited to the safekeeping of all monies, instruments or other documents received by it as ESCROW HOLDER, and for their disposition in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In the event an action is instituted in connection with this escrow, in which ESCROW HOLDER is named as a party or is otherwise compelled to make an appearance, all costs, expenses, attorney fees, and judgments ESCROW HOLDER may expend or incur in said action, shall be the responsibility of the parties hereto.
- UNCLAIMED FUNDS: In the event that funds from this transaction remain in an account, held by ESCROW 20. HOLDER, for such a period of time that they are deemed "abandoned" under the provisions of Chapter 120A of the Nevada Revised Statutes, ESCROW HOLDER is hereby authorized to impose a charge upon the dormant escrow account. Said charge shall be no less than \$5.00 per month and may not exceed the highest rate of charge permitted by statute or regulation. ESCROW HOLDER is further authorized and directed to deduct the charge from the dormant escrow account for as long as the funds are held by ESCROW HOLDER.

Brokers

- BROKER'S COMPENSATION/FEES: Buyer herein requires, and Seller agrees, as a condition of this Agreement, that Seller will pay Listing Broker and Buyer's Broker, who becomes by this clause a third party beneficiary to this Agreement, that certain sum and/or percentage of the Purchase Price (commission), that Seller, or Seller's Broker, offered for the procurement of ready, willing and able Buyer via the Multiple Listing Service, any other advertisement or written offer. Seller understands and agrees that if Seller defaults hereunder, Buyer's Broker, as a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement, has the right to pursue all legal recourse against Seller for any commission due. In addition to any amount due to Buyer's Broker from Seller or Seller's Broker, Buyer | will -OR- | will not pay Buyer's Broker additional compensation in an amount determined between the Buyer and Buyer's Broker.
- WAIVER OF CLAIMS: Buyer and Seller agree that they are not relying upon any representations made by Brokers 22. or Broker's agent. Buyer acknowledges that at COE, the Property will be sold AS-IS, WHERE-IS without any representations or warranties, unless expressly stated herein. Buyer agrees to satisfy himself/herself, as to the condition of the Property, prior to COE. Buyer acknowledges that any statements of acreage or square footage by Brokers are simply estimates, and Buyer agrees to make such measurements, as Buyer deems necessary, to ascertain actual acreage or square footage. Buyer waives all

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claims against Brokers or their agents for (a) defects in the Property; (b) inaccurate estimates of acreage or square footage; (c) environmental waste or hazards on the Property; (d) the fact that the Property may be in a flood zone; (e) the Property's proximity to freeways, airports or other nuisances; (f) the zoning of the Property; (g) tax consequences; or (h) factors related to Buyer's failure to conduct walk-throughs or inspections. Buyer assumes full responsibility for the foregoing and agrees to conduct such tests, walk-throughs, inspections and research, as Buyer deems necessary. In any event, Broker's liability is limited, under any and all circumstances, to the amount of that Broker's commission/fee received in this transaction.

Other Matters

DEFINITIONS: "Acceptance" means the date that both parties have consented to a final, binding contract by affixing their signatures to this Agreement and all counteroffers and said Agreement and all counteroffers have been delivered to both parties pursuant to Section 24 herein. "Agent" means a licensee working under a Broker or licensees working under a developer. "Agreement" includes this document as well as all accepted counteroffers and addenda. "Appraisal" means a written appraisal or Notice of Value as required by any lending institution prepared by a licensed or certified professional. "Bona Fide" means genuine. "Buyer" means one or more individuals or the entity that intends to purchase the Property. "Broker" means the Nevada licensed real estate broker listed herein representing Seller and/or Buyer (and all real estate agents associated therewith). "Business Day" excludes Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. "Calendar Day" means a calendar day from/to midnight unless otherwise specified. "CFR" means the Code of Federal Regulations. "CIC" means Common Interest Community (formerly known as "HOA" or homeowners associations). "CIC Capital Contribution" means a onetime non-administrative fee, cost or assessment charged by the CIC upon change of ownership. "CIC Transfer Fees" means the administrative service fee charged by a CIC to transfer ownership records. "Close of Escrow (COE)" means the time of recordation of the deed in Buyer's name. "Default" means the failure of a Party to observe or perform any of its material obligations under this Agreement. "Delivered" means personally delivered to Parties or respective Agents, transmitted by facsimile machine, electronic means, overnight delivery, or mailed by regular mail. "Down Payment" is the Purchase Price less loan amount(s). "EMD" means Buyer's earnest money deposit. "Escrow Holder" means the neutral party that will handle the closing. "FHA" is the U.S. Federal Housing Administration. "GLVAR" means the Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS®. "Good Funds" means an acceptable form of payment determined by ESCROW HOLDER in accordance with NRS 645A.171. "IRC" means the Internal Revenue Code (tax code). "LID" means Limited Improvement District. "N/A" means not applicable. "NAC" means Nevada Administrative Code. "NRS" means Nevada Revised Statues as Amended. "Party" or "Parties" means Buyer and Seller. "PITI" means principal, interest, taxes, and hazard insurance. "PMI" means private mortgage insurance. "PST" means Pacific Standard Time, and includes daylight savings time if in effect on the date specified. "PTR" means Preliminary Title Report. "Property" means the real property and any personal property included in the sale as provided herein. "Receipt" means delivery to the party or the party's agent. "RPA" means Residential Purchase Agreement. "Seller" means one or more individuals or the entity that is the owner of the Property. "SID" means Special Improvement District. "Title Company" means the company that will provide title insurance. "USC" is the United States Code. "VA" is the Veterans Administration.

24. SIGNATURES, DELIVERY, AND NOTICES:

- A. This Agreement may be signed by the parties on more than one copy, which, when taken together, each signed copy shall be read as one complete form. This Agreement (and documents related to any resulting transaction) may be signed by the parties manually or digitally. Facsimile signatures may be accepted as original.
- B. When a Party wishes to provide notice as required in this Agreement, such notice shall be sent regular mail, personal delivery, overnight delivery, by facsimile, and/or by electronic transmission to the Agent for that Party. The notification shall be effective when postmarked, received, faxed, delivery confirmed, and/or read receipt confirmed in the case of email. Delivery of all instruments or documents associated with this Agreement shall be delivered to the Agent for Seller or Buyer if represented. Any cancellation notice shall be contemporaneously delivered to Escrow in the same manner.
- 25. IRC 1031 EXCHANGE: Seller and/or Buyer may make this transaction part of an IRC 1031 exchange. The party electing to make this transaction part of an IRC 1031 exchange will pay all additional expenses associated therewith, at no cost to the other party. The other party agrees to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate such an exchange.
- 26. OTHER ESSENTIAL TERMS: Time is of the essence. No change, modification or amendment of this Agreement

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Defendants. AND RELATED CLAIMS.

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This matter being set for hearing before the Honorable Court on March 11, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., on Defendants' TKNR INC., CHI ON WONG aka CHI KUEN WONG, KENNY ZHONG LIN, aka KEN ZHONG LIN aka KENNETH ZHONG LIN aka WHONG K. LIN aka CHONG KENNY LIN aka ZHONG LIN, LIWE HELEN CHEN aka HELEN CHEN, YAN QIU ZHANG, INVESTPRO LLC dba INVESTPRO REALTY, MAN CHAU CHENG, JOYCE A. NICKRANDT, INVESTPRO INVESTMENTS LLC, and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC,

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(collectively, the "Defendants"), Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, Partial Summary Judgment ("Motion"), by and through their attorney of record, MICHAEL B. LEE, P.C. Plaintiff W L A B INVESTMENT, LLC appeared on and through its counsel of record, DAY & NANCE. Defendants filed the Motion on December 15, 2020. Plaintiff filed an Opposition to the Motion ("Opposition"), Countermotion for Continuance Based on NRCP 56(f) ("56(f) Countermotion"), and Countermotion for Imposition of Monetary Sanctions (collectively, "Countermotion") on December 29, 2020. On January 20, 2021, Defendants filed a Reply brief. On January 29, 2021, Defendants filed a Supplement ("Supplement") to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. The Supplement included the deposition of Frank Miao ("Miao"), the designated person most knowledgeable for Plaintiff, from January 12, 2021. Plaintiff did not file a response to the Supplement. Mr. Miao attended the hearing.

After considering the pleadings of counsel, the Court enters the following order **GRANTING** the Motion, **DENYING** the 56(f) Countermotion, and Countermotion, and GRANTING attorneys' fees and costs to Defendants pursuant to Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 11:

Findings of Facts

First Residential Purchase Agreement and Waiver of Inspections, Contractual Broker **Limitations**

- 1. 2132 Houston Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89104 ("Property") was originally constructed in 1954. On or about August 11, 2017, Marie Zhu ("Zhu"), the original purchaser, executed a residential purchase agreement ("RPA") for the Property. At all times relevant, Ms. Zhu and Mr. Miao, the managing member of Plaintiff, were sophisticated buyers related to "property management, property acquisition, and property maintenance." The purchase price for the property was \$200,000.
- 2. Through the RPA, Ms. Zhu waived her due diligence, although she had a right to conduct inspections:

During such Period, Buyer shall have the right to conduct, noninvasive/non-destructive inspections of all structural, roofing, electrical, plumbing, heating/air mechanical, conditioning,

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water/well/septic, pool/spa, survey, square footage, and any other property or systems, through licensed and bonded contractors or other qualified professionals.

- 3. Ms. Zhu did not cancel the contract related to any issues with the Property.
- 4. Under Paragraph 7(C) of the RPA, Ms. Zhu waived the Due Diligence condition. *Id.* Under Paragraph 7(D) of the RPA, it provided:

It is strongly recommended that Buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections. If any inspection is not completed and requested repairs are not delivered to Seller within the Due Diligence Period, Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law.

- 5. Ms. Zhu waived any liability of Defendants for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted. Ms. Zhu also waived the energy audit, pest inspection, roof inspection, septic lid removal inspection, mechanical inspection, soil inspection, and structural inspection.
- Under Paragraph 7(F), it was Ms. Zhu's responsibility to inspect the Property sufficiently as to satisfy her use. Additionally, Wong, Lin, Chen, Zhang, Cheng, and Nickrandt (collectively, "Brokers" or "Broker Defendants") had "no responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party."
- 7. On August 2, 2017, TKNR submitted Seller's Real Property Disclosure Form ("SRPDF" or "Seller's Disclosures") timely indicating all known conditions of the Subject Property. In fact, TKNR disclosed that "3 units has (sic) brand new AC installed within 3 months," and further that the "owner never resided in the property and never visited the property." It also disclosed that the minor renovations, such as painting, were conducted by the Seller's "handyman" as disclosed in the Seller's Disclosures. Seller also disclosed that it had done construction, modification, alterations, or repairs without permits. Despite these disclosures, Plaintiff chose not to inspect the Subject Property, request additional information and/or conduct any reasonable inquires.

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Second Residential Purchase Agreement and Waiver of Inspections, Contractual Broker Limitations

8. On or before September 5, 2017, Ms. Zhu had issues related to the financing for the Property because of an appraisal, so Ms. Zhu executed a new purchase agreement, and would agree to pay the difference in an appraisal with a lower value than the purchase price, and waive inspections:

> Please note that seller agree the rest of terms and request to add the below term on the contract:

> "Buyer agree to pay the difference in cash if appraisal come in lower than purchase price, not to exceed purchase price of \$200k" I just send you the docs, please review and sign if you are agree.

> (Per buyer's request will waive licensed home inspector to do the home inspection)

- 9. On the same day, Ms. Zhu and TKNR agreed to Addendum No. 1 to cancel the RPA dated August 11, 2017 and entered into a new Residential Purchase Agreement dated September 5, 2017 ("2nd RPA"). As before, the overall purchase price for the Property was \$200,000, but Ms. Zhu changed the contingency for the loan to \$150,000 with earnest money deposit of \$500 and a balance of \$49,500 owed at the close of escrow ("COE" or "Closing"). The COE was set for September 22, 2017.
- 10. Notably, although Ms. Zhu had not initialed the "Failure to Cancel or Resolve Objections" provision in the RPA, she initialed the corresponding provision in the 2nd RPA. This was consistent with Ms. Zhu's instructions to Ms. Chen. Ex. D. This is the second time that Ms. Zhu waived inspections for the Property despite the language in the 2nd RPA that strongly advised to get an inspection done.
- 11. As noted, Ms. Zhu waived any inspections related to the purchase of the Property in the 2nd RPA. Although Ms. Zhu had actual knowledge of the Seller's Disclosures, and the Parties agreed to extend the COE to January 5, 2018, Ms. Zhu did not conduct professional inspections. Instead, she put down an additional \$60,000 as a non-refundable deposit to the TNKR. Moreover, she also agreed to pay rent in the amount of \$650 per month for one of the units, and to also pay the property manager \$800 for the tenant placement fee. Through

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Addendum 2 to the 2nd RPA, Ms. Zhu later changed the purchaser to Plaintiff.

Deposition of Plaintiff's Person Most Knowledgeable – Mr. Miao

- 12. Since 2008, Mr. Miao, Ms. Zhu, and/or Plaintiff have been involved in the purchase of approximately twenty residential properties. In Clark County alone, Ms. Zhu and Mr. Miao were involved with the purchase of at least eight rental properties starting in 2014.
 - 13. Plaintiff understands the importance of reading contracts.
- 14. Mr. Miao specified that he understands that he needs to check public records when conducting his due diligence.
- 15. Plaintiff was a sophisticated buyer who understood the necessity of getting properties inspected.

Requirement to Inspect was Known

- 16. The terms of the RPA were clear to Plaintiff.
- 17. As to Paragraph 7(A), Mr. Miao specified that he believed that his inspection and conversations with the tenant constituted the actions necessary to deem the Property as satisfactory for Plaintiff's purchase.

19· · · A. · Yes. · Based on -- we bought this -- we go

20 to the inspection, then we also talk to the tenant,

21 so we thinking this is investment property; right?

22 So financial it's looking at the rent, it's

23 reasonable, it's not very high compared with the

24 surrounding area. Then also financially, it's good.

25 · · · · · Then I take a look at the – everything

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·1 outside. · Good. · So I said, Fine. · That's satisfied.

·2 That's the reason I command my wife to sign the

- ·3 purchase agreement.
- 18. At all times relevant prior to the purchase of the Property, Plaintiff had access to inspect the entire property and conduct non-invasive, non-destructive inspections:

 $\cdot 2 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q$. · · So at the time when you did your

·3 diligence, you had a right to conduct noninvasive,

·4 nondestructive inspection; correct?

 $\cdot 5 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \cdot Yes$, I did.

 $\cdot 6 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q \cdot \cdot \cdot$ And you had the opportunity to inspect all

·7 the structures?

 $\cdot 8 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot I$ check the other one -- on the walk, I

·9 don't see the new cracking, so the -- some older

10 cracking. I check the neighbor who also have that

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1	11 one. I think it's okay; right? Then the –
2	Supplement at 166:2-11.
3	8··· Q.·· So you had the right to inspect the ·9 structure; correct?
4	10··· A.· Yes, yes, I did that. 11··· Q.· You had the right to inspect the roof; is
5	12 that correct? 13··· A.··Yes.
6	14··· Q.··Okay.· Did you do that? 15··· A.··I forgot.· I maybe did that because
7	16 usually I go to the roof.
8	22···Q.··You had the right to inspect the 23 mechanical system; correct? 24···A.··Right.· Yes, yes.
10	25··· Q.·· You had the right to inspect the Page 167
11	·1 electrical systems; correct? ·2··· A.··I check the electrical system, yes.
12	·3··· Q.··You had a right to inspect the plumbing ·4 systems; correct?
13	·5· · · A. · · Yes. ·6· · · Q. · · You had the right to inspect the
14	·7 heating/air conditioning system; correct? ·8···A.··Yes. * **
15	·3· · · Q.· · And then you could have inspected any
16	·4 other property or system within the property itself; ·5 correct? ·6···A.··Yes, yes.
17	0 11. 1 cs, yes.
18	<i>Id.</i> at 167:8-16, 167:22-25-168:1-11, 168:25-169:1-6.
19	19. Prior to the purchase, Mr. Miao was always aware that the Seller "strongly
20	recommended that buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections":
21	13···Q.··"It is strongly recommended that buyer 14 retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct
22	15 inspections." 16··· A.··Yes.
23	17···Q.··Yeah.· So you were aware of this 18 recommendation at the time
24	19· · · A.· ·Yeah, I know.
25	Id. at 176:13-19.
26	20. Plaintiff was also aware of the language in the RPA under Paragraph 7(D) that
27	limited potential damages that could have been discovered by an inspection:
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18· · · Q. · · Okay. · So going back to paragraph 7D
19· · · A.· ·Yeah.
20· · · Q.· · right, after the language that's in
21 italics, would you admit that because it's in the
22 italics, it's conspicuous, you can see this
23 language?
24···A.·Yeah.·Yeah.
25· · · Q. · · Okay. · Then it goes on to say, "If any
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·1 inspection is not completed and requested repairs
·2 are not delivered to seller within the due diligence
·3 period, buyer is deemed to have waived the right to
·4 that inspection and seller's liability for the cost
·5 of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably
·6 identified had it been conducted."
·7· · · · · · Did I read that correctly?
$\cdot 8 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes$, yes.
·9· · · Q. · · Okay. · So we'll eventually get to the
10 issues that, you know, Ms. Chen identified that you
11 wanted corrected in the emails or text messages.
$12 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot$ Is that fair to say that those are the
13 only issues that you deemed needed to be resolved to
14 go forward with the purchase?
15··· A.· Yeah.· After that time, ves.

Id. at 179:18-25-180:1-15.

21. Finally, as to the RPA, Mr. Miao agreed that all the terms in it were conspicuous and understandable, and it was a standard agreement similar to the other agreements he had used in purchasing the other properties in Clark County, Nevada. *Id.* at 198:19-25-199:1-2, 200:3-15.

Mr. Miao Does Inspections for Plaintiff Although he is not a Licensed, Bonded Professional Inspector

- 22. As to all the properties purchased by Plaintiff, Mr. Miao always does the inspections and does not believe a professional inspection is necessary. *Id.* at 116:2-9, 119:3-25, 140:5-10. Based on his own belief, he does not believe that a professional inspection is necessary for multi-tenant residential properties. *Id.* at 120:6-9 (his own understanding), 120:16-25 (second-hand information he received).
- 23. Notably, he does not have any professional license related to being a general contractor, inspector, appraiser, or project manager. *Id.* at 123:5-16 (no professional licenses), 123:23-24 (no property management license), 169:7-14 (no licensed or bonded inspector), 171:23-25 (have not read the 1952 Uninformed Building Code), 172:17-19 (not an electrician),

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- 24. Mr. Miao has never hired a professional inspector in Clark County, *Id.* at 140:19-21, so he does not actually know what a professional inspection would encompass here. *Id.* at 143:9-13, 144:8-19.
- The main reason Plaintiff does not use a professional inspector is because of the 25. cost. Id. at 147:2-7.
- 26. On or about August 10, 2017, Mr. Miao did an inspection of the Property. *Id.* at 158:1-25-159:1-12. During that time, he admitted that he noticed some issues with the Property that were not up to code, finishing issues, GFCI outlets, and electrical issues:

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16· · · A. · · I looked at a lot of things. · For example,
17 like, the -- I point out some drywall is not
18 finished; right? And the -- some of smoke alarm is
19 not -- is missing and -- which is law required to
20 put in for smoke alarm. Then no carbon monoxide
21 alarm, so I ask them to put in.
22. · · · · Then in the kitchen, lot of electrical,
23 the outlet is not a GFCI outlet, so I tell them, I
24 said, You need to change this GFCI. Right now this
25 outlet is not meet code. You probably have problem.
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- 27. Similarly, he also specified that there was an issue with exposed electrical in Unit C. *Id.* at 175:10-24. He also noted that there could have been a potential asbestos issue as well. *Id.* at 160:7-12.
- 28. Additionally, Mr. Miao noted that there were cracks in the ceramic floor tiles, Id. at 249:22-25, and he was aware of visible cracks in the concrete foundation, *Id.* at 269:13-22 (aware of slab cracks), which were open and obvious. *Id.* at 270:14-24.
- 29. Mr. Miao admitted that he could also have seen the dryer vent during his inspection. *Id.* at 269:23-25.
- 30. As to those issues, Mr. Miao determined that the aforementioned issues were the only issues that TKNR needed to fix after his inspection. Id. at 171:2-9 (was only concerned about the appraisal), *Id.* at 219:13-25-221:1-2.

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31. Moreover, Mr. Miao received the SRPDF prior to the purchase of the Property.
Id. at 201:22-25. As to SRPDF, Plaintiff was aware that TKNR was an investor who had not
resided in the Property, and there were issues with the heating systems, cooling systems, and that
there was work done without permits. Id. at 201:1-25-202:1-12. Similarly, it was aware that the
Property was 63 years old at that time, Id. at 204:4-7, and all the work was done by a handyman
other than the HVAC installation. Id. at 205:14-25, Id. at 134:14-25 (understands the difference
between a handyman and a licensed contractor), 243:2 ("Yes. They did by the handyman, yes.").

32. Despite these disclosures, Mr. Miao never followed up:

> 23· · · Q. · · Okay. · So when they disclosed that there 24 was construction and modification, alterations, 25 and/or repairs made without State, City, County

·1 building permits, which was also work that was done

·2 by owner's handyman, did you ever do any follow-up

·3 inquiries to the seller about this issue?

·4· · · · A.· · No, I didn't follow up. ·

Id. at 204:23-25-205:1-4.

33. However, Mr. Miao also admitted that he could have followed up on the issues identified in the SRPDF that included the HVAC and the permits:

> 10· · · Q. · · Under the disclosure form -- $11 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yeah$. $12 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q$. ·-- like, where it specified that there 13 were heating system/cooling system issues that 14 they're aware of, that you could have elected to 15 have an inspection done at that time; correct? $16 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.$

Id. at 206:10-16.

15· · · Q. · · Okay. · So as your attorney said, you could 16 have obtained a copy of the permits at any time? 17 Yes? $18 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.$ 19· · · Q. · · Okay. · And then it's fair to say that just 20 put you on notice of the potential permit issue; 21 correct? $22 \cdot \cdot \cdot A. \cdot \cdot Yes.$ 23· · · Q. · · It also put you on notice of the issues of 24 everything that's basically specified on page 38; 25 correct? Page 209 $1 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.$

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Id. at 209:15-25-210:1, 245:22-25 (could have obtained permit information in 2018).

34. Similarly, Mr. Miao was aware that he should have contacted the local building department as part of his due diligence:

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22· · · Q. · · Okay. · So you understand that for more
23 information during the diligence process, you should
24 contact the local building department?
25· · · A. · · Yes. ·
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·5· · · Q.· ·-- it provides you with the address of the
·6 building and safety department; is that correct?
\cdot 7 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \cdot Yes.
\cdot 8 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q. And the office hours; is that correct?
\cdot 9 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.
10 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q. And it also provides you with a phone
11 number; correct?
12 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.
13 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q. And this is information or resources that
14 you could have used at any time related to finding
15 information about the permits of the property;
16 correct?
17 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.
18 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q. And this would have been true prior to the
19 purchase of the building; correct?
20 \cdot \cdot \cdot A. \cdot \cdot Yes.
21 · · · Q. · · And this would also have been true at the
22 time you read the disclosure that specified that
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23 some of the improvements or some of the disclosures

24 had been done without a permit; right?

Id. at 260:22-25, 261:5-25.

 $25 \cdot \cdot \cdot A. \cdot \cdot Yes.$

35. Plaintiff was also on notice of the potential for mold and the requirement to get a mold inspection:

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·5··· Q.··Okay.· And it says, "It's the buyer's duty
·6 to inspect.· Buyer hereby assumes responsibility to
·7 conduct whatever inspections buyer deems necessary
·8 to inspect the property for mold contamination.
·9····"Companies able to perform such
10 inspections can be found in the yellow pages under
11 environmental and ecological services."
12·····I read that correctly?· Yes?
13··· A.··Yes.
14··· Q.··Okay.· And then you elected not to get a
15 mold inspection; correct?
16··· A.··Yeah.·
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The alleged defects identified by both parties' experts could have been discovered

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at the time of the original purchase. As to the ability to inspect, Mr. Miao admitted that he had access to the entire building. Id. at 250:22-25. He had access to the attic and looked at it. Id. at 251:4-14. Mr. Miao admitted that Plaintiff's expert examined the same areas that he did: ·6· · · Q. · Okay. · So you walked through the property ·7 with him at the time he did his inspection; correct? $\cdot 8 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Right.$ ·9· · · Q. · · Okay. · During that time, did he inspect 10 any areas that -- that you did not have access to in 11 2017? 12· · · A. · · Yes. · He didn't go to anything I didn't 13 inspect during 2017 too. 14· · · Q. · · So he inspected the same areas you 15 inspected? $16 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot$ Yes, yes. Id. at 291:6-16. 40. Notably, Plaintiff's expert did not do any destructive testing, so the expert's access was exactly the same as Mr. Miao's original inspection. *Id.* at 291:1-5. 41. Mr. Miao admitted that Plaintiff's expert's inspection of the HVAC, *Id.* at 292:2-5, 293:18-23, and the plumbing system, *Id.* at 300:19-25-301:1-4, would have been the same as his in 2017. 42. Mr. Miao also admitted that the pictures attached to Plaintiff's expert report were areas that he could have inspected in 2017. *Id.* at 302:6-13. 43. Additionally, Mr. Miao accompanied Defendants' expert during his inspection. *Id.* at 320:31-25. As before, Mr. Miao had the same access to the Property in 2017 for the areas inspected by Defendants' expert. *Id.* at 321:1-6. 44. Mr. Miao agreed with Defendants' expert that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's expert were "open and obvious": 22· · · Q.· · And then the second line down, the first 23 sentence begins, "Items complained about in the Sani 24 report were open and obvious in the roof area, attic 25 area, and on the exterior/interior of the property." Page 318

Id. at 318:22-25-319:3-4.

 $\cdot 4 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \cdot Yes.$

 $\cdot 3 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q \cdot \cdot$ Do you agree with this statement?

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Id. at 265:1-4.

- 45. He also agreed with Defendants' expert's finding that there was no noticeable sagging in the roof. *Id.* at 333:20-24.
- 46. Incredibly, Mr. Miao also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it, and those afterwards:

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17· · · · Q.· · -- midway down the first complete sentence
18 says, "The Sani report does not recognize prior
19 conditions in existence before any work took place
20 by defendants."
21 \cdot \cdots \cdot Do you agree with this statement?
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\cdot 3 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot Yes, yes.
·4 BY MR. LEE:
\cdot 5 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q \cdot \cdot \cdot You agree with that? Okay.
\cdot 6 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Agree.
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Id. at 321:17-21 - 322:3-6. This would have also included any issues with the dryer vent and ducts, Id. at 325:3-20, as he recognized that most rentals do not include washer / dryer units. Id. at 326:7-25-327:1-9.

No Permits Required for Cosmetic Work by TKNR

47. No dispute exists that TKNR did not need permits for the interior work it had done to the Property. Mr. Miao admitted the following:

·5· · · Q. · · Number 5 says, "Painting, papering,

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·6 tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops, interior
                 ·7 wall, floor or ceiling covering, and similar finish
                 ·8 work."
                 \cdot 9 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot Do you see that?
                 10 \cdot \cdot \cdot A. \cdot \cdot Yes.
                 11 · · · Q. · · So you agree that no permits are required
                 12 for any of these types of work; correct?
                 13 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.
Id. at 262:5-13.
                 ·1 Window Replacements where no structural member -- no
                 ·2 structural member is altered or changed," that does
                 ·3 not need a permit either; right?
                 \cdot 4 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \cdot Yes.
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18 Plumbing Improvements, no permits required to repair

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Id. at 120:16-25-121:1-2, 140:10-14. However, they have not done any of the repairs listed by Plaintiff's expert. *Id.* at 331:3-12. This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff that there are underlying conditions with the Property.

49. Moreover, Plaintiff does not provide any notice to the tenants about its expert's report or this litigation:

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·6· · · Q. · · All right. · In terms of tenants -- renting
·7 out the units to any tenants, do you ever provide
·8 them with a copy of the Sani report?
\cdot 9 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \cdot \text{No.}
10 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q. Do you ever provide them with any of the
11 pleadings or the first amended complaint, second
12 amended complaint, the complaint itself?
13 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \text{No.}
22· · · Q. · · Okay. · So basically, you just tell them,
23 There's this. You can inspect the unit if you want;
24 is that it?
25· · · A. · · Yeah. · And also we need to tell is a lot
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1 of things report that we don't need to go to the
·2 inside the building. · It's wall cracking. · It's
·3 outside. · You can see.
·5· · · A. · Yeah. · You can see always outside.
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Id. at 337:6-13, 337:22-25-338:1-5.

50. This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff's claims, proven that it has done nothing to correct the allegedly deficient conditions that are clearly not so dangerous as it does not tell prospective tenants about them.

Squatters or Tenants Could Have Damaged the Property

51. Mr. Miao admitted that multiple third parties could have potentially damaged the Property. The Property has a historic problem with squatters during the time that Plaintiff owned it:

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12··· Q.·· Do you generally have a squatter problem 13 with the property?
14··· A.·· Yes.· As a matter of fact, today I just 15 saw the one text message that said one -- some 16 people go to my apartment.
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Id. at 110:12-16. He also admitted that tenants could have damaged the Property while they

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·4· · · O. · Okav. · So the tenant in this context would ·5 have damaged the unit at the time that you owned it;

·6 is that fair?

·7· · · A. · · Maybe. · Yes.

 $\cdot 8 \cdot \cdot \cdot Q$. Okay. So some of the -- so the damage

·9 that was to the water heater system, could the

10 tenant have damaged that as well?

 $11\cdot \cdot \cdot A.\cdot \cdot Yes.$ $12\cdot \cdot \cdot Q.\cdot \cdot And$ then he could have damaged the cooler

13 pump and the valve as well; is that correct?

 $14 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.$

15· · · Q. · · Okay. · Then on 122, these are all issues

16 that the tenant could have damaged; is that correct?

 $17 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot Yes.$

 $18 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot Q \cdot \cdot \cdot$ And then the same through for 145; is that

19 right?

 $20 \cdot \cdot \cdot A. \cdot \cdot Yes.$

Id. at 306:4-20, 330:5-7. This could also account for the cracking on the walls. Id. at 310:8-12.

Tenants could have also damaged the Property if they hit it with their cars. *Id.* at 332:14-16.

No Evidence That Defendants Knew of Alleged Conditions

- 52. Plaintiff's case is based on assertions that Defendants knew about the alleged conditions in the Property; however, Mr. Miao admitted that there is no evidence that shows Defendants knew about them. *Id.* at 245:1-13 (speculating that InvestPro made changes).
- 53. The entire case is based on Mr. Miao's personal belief and speculation. Id. at 253:17-19.
- 54. Mr. Miao admitted that he has no evidence Defendants knew about the alleged moisture conditions. Id. at 293:24-25-294:1-3. Additionally, he also admitted that there is no evidence that Defendants knew about the alleged issues with the plumbing system. Id. at 301:21-24. He also admitted that he did not know if Defendants knew about the alleged issues with the duct work when they owned the Property. Id. at 314:5-19. He also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it, and those afterwards. Id. at 321:17-21 -322:3-6.
- 55. Mr. Miao recognized that a 63-year-old property could have issues that were not caused by Defendants. Id. at 324:6-15. This would have also included any issues with the dryer

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vent and ducts, *Id.* at 325:3-20, and when the duct became disconnected. *Id.* at 329:1-16.

- 56. Plaintiff did not identify any discovery illustrating a genuine issue of material fact that Defendants knew of the alleged issues with the Property that they had not already disclosed on Seller's Disclosures.
- 57. Notably, during Mr. Miao's due diligence period, he spoke with the tenants of the Property. Id. at 163:12-25-164:1-6. This included a conversation with the long-term tenant of Unit A, who still resides in the Property to this day. *Id.* At that time, the tenant reported being very happy with the Property and had no complaints. *Id.* In fact, the tenant reported still being very happy with the Property. Id. at 170:7-9. This illustrates that there is no basis that Defendants should have been aware of any of the issues when Mr. Miao, a self-professed expert, did not even know about them following his inspection.

No Basis for Claims for RICO and/or Related to Flipping Fund

58. The Flipping Fund had nothing to do with Plaintiff's decision to purchase the Property. *Id.* at 223:15-25.

> 20 · · · Q. · · Yeah. · So there's no way that you relied 21 upon any flipping fund since it would have been 22 closed at this time; right? $23 \cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \text{Yeah}$.

Id. at 274:20-23. He also admitted that he never received any pro forma, private placement information, calculations of profit and loss, capital contribution requirements, member share or units, or any such information about the Flipping Fund. *Id.* at 277:7-16.

Cost of Repairs

59. Mr. Miao contacted contractors to bid the potential cost of repair for the Property and determined that it would have been \$102,873.00. Id. at 307:6-22. However, Plaintiff's expert opined that the cost of repair would have been \$600,000, although he did not provide an itemized cost of repair. *Id.* at 334:17-21.

Allegations in the Second Amended Complaint

60. On November 23, 2020, Plaintiff filed its Second Amended Complaint ("SAC").

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Based on the adı	missions of Mr. Miao and the waivers related to the RPA and the 2 nd RPA, these
allegations illust	trate the overall frivolous nature of this action and why Rule 11 sanctions are
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th an pa 2' P: an ei	5. TKNR failed to disclose one or more known condition(s) hat materially affect(s) the value or use of the Subject Property in n adverse manner, as required by NRS Chapter 113, in a particular NRS 113.130. *** 7. Factual statements from the August 7, 2017 Seller Real Property Disclosure Form (SRPDF) are set forth in Paragraph 31 and the subsections thereof state whe (sic) the disclosures were ither inadequate or false. The SRPDF states that it was prepared, presented and initialed by Kenny Lin. ***
to co m	9. Since the Subject Property is a residential rental apartment, o protect tenants and consumers, the applicable local building ode requires all renovation, demolition, and construction work nust be done by licensed contractors with permits and inspections of ensure compliance with the Uniform Building Code [UBC].
	1. Defendants Lin, Investpro, as TKNR's agent, TKNR,

TKNR, Wong and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC, as the true owner of the Subject Property, did not disclose any and all known conditions and aspects of the property which materially affect the value or use of residential property in an adverse manner, as itemized below.

a. SRPDF stated that Electrical System had no problems or defects. The fact is that many new electric lines were added and many old electric lines were removed by Investpro Manager LLC . The swamp coolers that were removed were supplied by 110 volt power supply lines. Investpro Manager LLC first added one 220v power supply line for one new 5 ton heat pump package unit on one roof top area for the whole building for Unit A. Unit B and Unit C. Investro (sic) Manager, LLC then removed the one year old 5 ton heat pump packaged unit from the roof top with power supply lines and added two new 220v power supply lines for two new 2 ton heart pump package units, one each for Unit B and Unit C.

Inestpro (sic) Manager, LLC then added one new 110 volt power supply line for two window cooling units for Unit A. The electrical system load for Unit A was increased due to the installation of two new cooling units and required 100 amp service, but the electrical service was not upgraded to 100 amp service from the existing 50 amp service. Failure to upgrade the electrical service caused the fuses to be blown out multiple times during the cooling seasons of 2018. The tenants in Unit A could not use air conditioning units in cooling seasons of 2018, causing Unit A to be uninhabitable until the Unit A electrical supply panel was upgraded to 100 amp service.

All the electrical supply line addition and removal work

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LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89104 TEL – (702) 477.7030; FAX – (702) 477.0096 were performed without code required electrical load calculation, permits and inspections. To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to do the electrical work and used low quality materials used inadequate electrical supply lines.

Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unskilled workers who did not know the UBC requirements to do the electrical work This substandard work may lead electrical lines to overheat and cause fires in the attic when tenant electrical load is high. Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unskilled workers who did not know the UBC requirements to do the electrical work. The outlets near the water faucets in kitchens, bathrooms and laundry areas were not GFCI outlets as required by the UBC.

b. SRPDF stated that Plumbing System had no problems or defects

The fact is that that within two years prior to the sale to Plaintiff, Investpro Manager LLC removed and plugged swamp cooler water supply lines without UBC required permits and inspections. To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers who just plugged high pressure water supply lines at rooftop instead of at ground level and who did not remove the water supply lines on top of the roof, inside the attic and behind the drywall. In cold winter, the high pressure water line which was left inside the building may freeze and break the copper line and lead flooding in the whole building.

Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to remove and plug natural gas lines for the natural gas wall furnaces without UBC required permits and inspections.

Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers with little knowledge of natural gas pipe connection requirements. The unlicensed and unskilled workers used the wrong sealing materials and these sealing materials may degrade and lead to natural gas leaks and accumulation inside the drywall and the attic which may cause an explosion or fire.

Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to completely renovate all three bathrooms in the Subject Property without UBC required permits and inspections. Some faucets and connections behind tile walls and drywall

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leak and are causing moisture conditions behind tile walls and drywalls.

c. SRPDF stated that Sewer System and line had no problems or defects.

The subject property was built in 1954. Clay pipes were used at that time for sewer lines. Before the sale, within few days after tenants moved into apartment Unit B, they experienced clogged sewer line which caused the bathrooms to be flooded. The tenants called Investpro to ask them to fix the clogged pipes and address the flooding issues. After this report, Investpro asked tenants to pay to hire plumber to snake the sewer line. After tenants threatened to call the Las Vegas code enforcement office, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro used unlicensed and unskilled workers to snake the clay sewer pipes. Licensed contractors must be hired to snake sewer pipes as code required. This approach to clearing the clog may break the clay sewer pipes and cause future tree root grown into sewer lines and clogs in sewer lines.

d. SRPDF stated that Heating System had problems or defects.

No full explanation was provided, as required. Investro (sic) Manager, LLC disabled natural gas heating system without UBC required permits and inspections. To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers with little knowledge about natural gas pipe connection requirements. They used the wrong sealing materials and these sealing materials may degrade and lead to a natural gas leak inside the drywall and the attic and may cause an explosion or fire.

Further, Investpro Manager LLC installed two electrical heat pump heating systems without UBC required permits and inspections for Unit B and Unit C. The Unit A does not have an electrical heat pump heating system nor a natural gas wall furnace heating system now. Unit A has to use portable electrical heaters.

e. SRPDF stated that the Cooling System had problems or defects

No full explanation was provided, as required. Investro (sic) Manager, LLC removed old swamp cooler systems without UBC required permits and inspections. To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro used unlicensed and unskilled workers to disconnect water supply lines, cover swamp cooler ducting holes, and disconnect 110V electrical supply lines.

Further, as early as March of 2016, Investro Manager, LLC hired Air Supply Cooling to install one five ton new heat pump package unit with new rooftop ducting systems on

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one roof area to supply cooling and heating air to the whole building consisting of Unit A, Unit B and Unit C without UBC required weight load and wind load calculations, permits and inspections. The five ton heat pumps package unit was too big, too heavy and had control problems. To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC also used unlicensed and unskilled workers to remove the one year old five ton heat pump package unit with ducting system without UBC required permits and inspections. All of this work was done without UBC required structural calculation, permits and inspections. Further, in early June, 2017, Investro Manager, LLC hired The AIRTEAM to install two new two ton heat pump package units, one each for Unit B and Unit C. Invespro (sic) Manager, LLC also used unlicensed

and unskilled workers to install two window cooling units in Unit A's exterior walls. All of the above work was done without UBC required permits and inspections.

Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investro Manager, LLC did not replace the old, uninsulated swamp cooler ducts with new insulated HVAC ducts as the UBC required. This resulted in the heat pump package units being overloaded and damaged during cooling season because cool air was heated by uninsulated attic hot air before delivering the cooled air to the rooms. The old, uninsulated swamp cooler ducts were also rusted and leaked due to high moisture air from the bathroom vent fans and the clothes washer/dryer combination unit exhaust vents. The heat pumps would run all the time but still could not cool the rooms.

SRPDF stated that Smoker detector had no problems or

During Plaintiff's inspection at August 10, 2017 afternoon, some smoke detectors were missing.

g. SRPDF stated that no Previous or current moisture conditions and or water damage.

To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investro Manager, LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to vent high moisture bathroom fan exhaust and washer/dryer combination unit exhaust into the ceiling attic area instead of venting outside the building roof without UBC required permits and inspections. The improper ventings caused high moisture conditions in ceiling attic and water damages in ceiling and attic. The high moisture conditions in the ceiling attic destroyed ceiling attic insulations, damaged the roof decking, damaged roof trusses and damaged roof structure supports.

To saving money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to

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complete renovation to all three bathrooms without UBC required permits and inspections. Some faucets and connections behind tile walls and drywall leaks and caused moisture conditions behind tile walls and drywalls.

h. SRPDF stated that there was no structure defect.

Investpro Manager LLC added one new five ton heat pump package unit with ducting systems on the one roof top area for the whole building in early March, 2016 without UBC required weight load and wind load calculation, permits and inspections. Due to the five ton heat pump package unit being too big, too heavy and having control problems to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investro (sic) Manager, LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to remove the one year old five ton heat pump package unit with part of the ducting system again without UBC required permits and inspections. Investpro Manager LLC added two new two ton heat pump package units on the two roof top areas for Unit B and Unit C with new ducting systems without UBC required weight load and wind loan calculation, permits and inspections.

Further, to save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to

open two new window holes on

exterior walls for two window cooling units in Unit A without UBC required structure calculation, permits and inspections. This work damaged the building structure.

Further, the moisture condition behind tile walls and drywall due to faucets leaking damaged the building structure.

Further, Investpro Manager LLC's unlicensed and unskilled workers used the space between two building support columns as a duct to vent high moisture exhaust from the washer/dryer combination unit exhaust vent from Unit A without UBC required permits and inspections and this damaged the building structure.

The recent inspection of the exterior wall found multiple cracks which indicates structural problems caused by the heavy load on the roof.

i. SRPDF marked Yes and NO for construction, modification, alterations or repairs made without required state. city or county building permits.

Defendants Lin, Investpro, as TKNR's agent, TKNR, and Wong did not provide detailed explanations. All renovation, demolition, and construction work was done by Investpro Manager LLC using unlicensed, and unskilled workers without UBC required weight load and wind load calculations, permits and inspections.

j. SRPDF stated that there were not any problems with the roof.

The roof of the Subject Property was damaged by changing

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roof top HVAC units and ducting systems multiple times from October, 2015to June, 2017. Investpro Manager LLC removed the existing swamp coolers from roof top and covered the swamp coolers ducting holes. Investpro Manager LLC added a five ton heat pump package unit with a new ducting system on one roof top area in March, 2016. Investpro the removed the one year old five ton heat pump package unit with part of the ducting system from the one roof top area in June,2017. Then Investpro Manager LLC added two two ton heat pump package units on the two roof top areas in June, 2017. The work damaged the roof of the Subject Property to such an extent that when it rains the roof leaks. All of this renovation, demolition, and construction work was done without UBC required weight load and wind load calculations, permits and inspections and this damaged the building roof structure. k. SRPDF stated that no there were not any fungus or

mold problems.

To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC vented the bathroom high moisture fans and the washer/dryer combination unit exhaust vents into the ceiling and attic without venting outside of the roof. All of this renovation, demolition, and construction work was done without UBC required permits and inspections and this damaged the building structure. After the purchase of the Subject Property, Plaintiff discovered black color fungus mold was found inside ceiling and attic.

SRPDF stated that there were not any other conditions or aspects of the property which materially affect its value or use in an adverse manner.

i. Problems with flooring.

To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to lay low quality cheap ceramic tiles on the loose sandy ground rather than on a strong, smooth, concrete floor base. Within few months after tenants moving into the Subject Property, mass quantities of floor ceramic tiles cracked and the floor buckled. These cracked ceramic tiles may cut tenants' toes and create a trip and fall hazard. These are code violations had to be repaired before the units could be rented to tenants. The plaintiff has to spend lot money to replace all ceramic tile floor in Unit C with vinyl tile floor.

ii. Problems with the land/foundation.

Within few months after tenants moved into the Subject Property in 2017, large quantities of floor tiles cracked and the floor buckled. This indicated that there may have foundation problems likely due to heavy loads by the new HVAC systems and the venting of moisture into the ceiling and attic. Too much weight loads on the walls caused exterior wall

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cracking.

iii. Problems with closet doors.

To save money, minimize flipping cost, minimize flipping time, and maximize flipping fund profits, Investpro Manager LLC used unlicensed and unskilled workers to install closet doors with poor quality for Unit C, all closet doors fell down in three months after tenant move into Unit C.

- 61. As to 31(a), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the electrical system and items not up to code at the time that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the electrical system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Incredibly, Mr. Miao admitted that he was the person who asked for TKNR to install the GFCI outlets, so he was clearly aware of this issue as well. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.
- As to 31(b), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with 62. the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, the lack of permits, and issues with the sprinklers. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the plumbing system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.
- 63. As to 31(c), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed the use of a handyman, the lack of permits, and issues with the sprinklers. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the sewer system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff

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- 64. As to 31(d), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Additionally, he specified that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the heating system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.
- 65. As to 31(e), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the heating and cooling system and items not up to code at the time that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the heating and cooling system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.
- 66. As to 31(f), this allegation illustrates that Plaintiff had knowledge before purchasing the Property, and the overall emphasis on the failure to obtain a professional inspection of the Property prior to purchasing it.
- 67. As to 31(g), (k), Mr. Miao admitted Plaintiff executed the mold and moisture waiver, and understood its affirmative duty to have an inspection done prior to the purchase of the Property. He also admitted that that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed the use of a handyman, installation of the cabinetry, bathrooms, and the lack of permits. Additionally, he specified that he personally inspected the attic and the dryer vent before Plaintiff purchased the Property. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Moreover,

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Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.

- 68. As to 31(h), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.
- 69. As to 31(i), this allegation illustrates the prior knowledge that Plaintiff had before purchasing the Property, and the overall emphasis on the failure to obtain a professional inspection of the Property prior to purchasing it. Mr. Miao admitted that he should have followed up related to the permit issue prior to Plaintiff purchasing the Property.
- 70. As to 31(j), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Mr. Miao agreed that there was no noticeable sagging on the roof. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues.
- 71. As to 31(1), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures disclosed issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017. Mr. Miao noted that this condition could have been inspected at or prior to the Property's purchase. acknowledged there was no evidence that Defendants were aware of these issues.

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Plaintiffs Did Not Reply on Broker Agents

72. As to the Broker Defendants, Ms. Zhu agreed that she was not relying upon any representations made by Brokers or Broker's agent. Ms. Zhu agreed to purchase the Property AS-IS, WHERE-IS, without any representations or warranties. Ms. Zhu waived all claims against Brokers or their agents for (a) defects in the Property . . . (h) factors related to Ms. Zhu's failure to conduct walk-throughs or inspections. Ms. Zhu assumed full responsibility and agreed to conduct such tests, walk-throughs, inspections and research, as she deemed necessary. In any event, Broker's liability was limited, under any and all circumstances, to the amount of that Broker's commission/fee received in the transaction.

Mr. Miao Agreed with Defendants' Expert

- 73. On November 17, 2020, Defendants' expert, Neil D. Opfer, an Associate Professor of Construction Management at UNLV and overqualified expert, conducted an inspection of the Property. At that time, as noted earlier, Mr. Miao walked the Property with Professor Opfer. Supplement at 320:31-25.
- 74. Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's alleged expert were open and obvious:

[n]ote that the Plaintiff could have hired an inspector or contractor to evaluate this real-estate purchase beforehand but did not. Items complained about in the Sani Report were open and obvious at the roof area, attic area, and on the exterior and interior areas of the Property.

Id. at 318:22-25-319:3-4.

- Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that Plaintiff's expert did not conduct 75. destructive testing, so the same alleged conditions that the expert noted would have been made by an inspector at the time of the purchase. *Id.* at 291:1-5.
- 76. Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that Plaintiff's expert did "not recognize prior conditions in existence before any work took place by the Defendants." Id. at 321:17-21 – 322:3-6.

Conclusions of Law

1. Summary judgment is appropriate when the pleadings, depositions, answers to

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interrogatories, admissions, and affidavits, if any, that are properly before the Court demonstrate that no genuine issue of material fact exist, and the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. Pegasus v. Reno Newspapers, Inc., 118 Nev. 706, 713, 57 P.3d 82, 87 (2002). Substantive law controls whether factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant. Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc., 477 U.S. 242, 106 S. Ct. 2505, 91 L.Ed.2d 202 (1986). A genuine issue of material fact is one where the evidence is such that a reasonable jury could return a verdict for the non-moving party. Valley Bank v. Marble, 105 Nev. 366, 367, 775 P.2d 1278, 1282 (1989).

- 2. The Nevada Supreme Court has held that the non-moving party may not defeat a motion for summary judgment by relying "on gossamer threads of whimsy, speculation and conjecture." Wood v. Safeway, 121 Nev. 724, 732, 121 P.3d 1026, 1031 (2005). The Nevada Supreme Court has also made it abundantly clear when a motion for summary judgment is made and supported as required by Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 56, the non-moving party must not rest upon general allegations and conclusions, but must by affidavit or otherwise set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a genuine factual issue. *Id.*
- 3. Under Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 56(a), a party may move for summary judgment, or partial summary judgment. "The court shall grant summary judgment if the movant shows that there is no genuine dispute as to any material fact and the movant is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." The court may rely upon the admissible evidence cited in the moving papers and may also consider other materials in the record as well. *Id.* at 56(c). "If the court does not grant all the relief requested by the motion, it may enter an order stating any material fact — including an item of damages or other relief — that is not genuinely in dispute and treating the fact as established in the case." *Id.* at 56(g).
- 4. The pleadings and proof offered in a Motion for Summary Judgment are construed in the light most favorable to the non-moving party. Hoopes v. Hammargren, 102 Nev. 425, 429, 725 P.2d 238, 241 (1986). However, the non-moving party still "bears the burden to 'do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt' as to the operative facts in order to avoid summary judgment being entered." Wood, 121 Nev. at 732, 121 P.3d at

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- 5. The non-moving party bears the burden to set forth specific facts demonstrating the existence of a "genuine" issue for trial or have summary judgment entered against him. Collins v. Union Federal Savings & Loan, 99 Nev. 284, 294, 662 P.2d 610, 618-619 (1983). When there is no genuine issue of material fact and the non-moving party provides no admissible evidence to the contrary, summary judgment is "mandated." Celotex Corp. v. Catrett, 477 US 317, 322 (1986). When a motion for summary judgment is made and supported, an adversary party who does not set forth specific facts showing a genuine issue to be resolved at trial may have a summary judgment entered against him. Collins v. Union Federal Sav. & Loan Ass'n, 99 Nev. 284, 294, 662 P.2d 610, 616 (1983) (citing Van Cleave v. Kietz-Mill Minit Mart, 97 Nev. 414, 633 P.2d 1220 (1981); Bird v. Casa Royale West, 97 Nev. 67, 624 P.2d 17 (1981)).
- 6. "Under NRS Chapter 113, residential property sellers are required to disclose any defects to buyers within a specified time before the property is conveyed." Nelson v. Heer, 163 P.3d 420, 425 (Nev. 2007) (citing NRS 113.140(1)). "NRS 113.140(1), however, provides that a seller is not required to 'disclose a defect in residential property of which [she] is not aware.' A 'defect' is defined as "a condition that materially affects the value or use of residential property in an adverse manner." *Id.* (citing NRS 113.100(1)). The Nevada Supreme Court clarified that:

[a]scribing to the term "aware" its plain meaning, we determine that the seller of residential real property does not have a duty to disclose a defect or condition that "materially affects the value or use of residential property in an adverse manner," if the seller does not realize, perceive, or have knowledge of that defect or condition. Any other interpretation of the statute would be unworkable, as it is impossible for a seller to disclose conditions in the property of which he or she has no realization, perception, or knowledge. The determination of whether a seller is aware of a defect, however, is a question of fact to be decided by the trier of

Id. at 425 (citations omitted). Thus, in the context where the plaintiff cannot demonstrate an omitted disclosure that caused damage, the seller is entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law. Id. at 426.

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7. Generally, "[n]ondisclosure by the seller of adverse information concerning real property . . . will not provide the basis for an action by the buyer to rescind or for damages when property is sold 'as is.' " Mackintosh v. Jack Matthews & Co., 109 Nev. 628, 633, 855 P.2d 549, 552 (1993). Moreover, "[l]iability for nondisclosure is generally not imposed where the buyer either knew of or could have discovered the defects prior to the purchase." Land Baron Invs., Inc. v. Bonnie Springs Family LP, 131 Nev. 686, 696, 356 P.3d 511, 518 (2015). The general rule foreclosing liability for nondisclosure when property is purchased as-is does not apply when the seller knows of facts materially affecting the value or desirability of the property which are known or accessible only to [the seller] and also knows that such facts are not known to, or within the reach of the diligent attention and observation of the buyer. *Mackintosh*, 109 Nev. at 633, 855 P.2d at 552 (alteration in original) (internal quotation marks omitted).

8. A buyer waives its common law claims of negligent misrepresentation, fraudulent or intentional misrepresentation, and/or unjust enrichment when it expressly agreed that it would carry the duty to inspect the property and ensure that all aspects of it were suitable prior to close of escrow, and the information was reasonably accessible to the buyer. Frederic and Barbara Rosenberg Living Tr. v. MacDonald Highlands Realty, LLC, 427 P.3d 104, 111 (Nev. 2018). Accordingly, the Nevada Supreme Court concluded that an agreement to purchase property as-is foreclosed the buyer's common law claims, justifying the granting of summary judgment on common law claims. *Id.* (citation omitted).

> The terms and conditions of the purchase agreement do not create a duty to disclose. Rather, these disclosures are required by NRS Chapter 113, which sets forth specific statutory duties imposed by law independent of the purchase agreement's terms and conditions. Additionally, the terms of the purchase agreement do not require [the seller] to do anything other than provide the listed disclosures.

Anderson v. Ford Ranch, LLC, 78684-COA, 2020 WL 6955438, at *5 (Nev. App. Nov. 25, 2020).

9. Nevada Revised Statute § 113.140 clearly provides that the Seller Disclosures does not constitute a warranty of the Subject Property and that the Buyer still has a duty to

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exercise reasonable care to protect himself. Nevada Revised Statute § 113.140 also provides that the Seller does not have to disclose any defect that he is unaware of. Similarly, Nevada Revised Statute § 113.130 does not require a seller to disclose a defect in residential property of which the seller is not aware. A completed disclosure form does not constitute an express or implied warranty regarding any condition of residential property. Nevada Revised Statute § 113.140(2). Chapters 113 and "645 of Nevada Revised Statutes do not relieve a buyer or prospective buyer of the duty to exercise reasonable care to protect himself or herself." *Id.* at § 113.140(2).

- 10. Summary Judgment is appropriate as a matter of law on all of Plaintiff's claims. It is undisputed that the alleged deficiencies were either disclosed by Defendants, could have been discovered by an inspection, were open and obvious whereby Plaintiff / Ms. Zhu / Mr. Miao had notice of them at the time Plaintiff purchased the Property, or were unknown to Defendants at the time of the sale.
- 11. On August 2, 2017, TKNR submitted its Seller Disclosures timely indicating all known conditions of the Subject Property. TKNR disclosed that "3 units has (sic) brand new AC installed within 3 months," and further that the "owner never resided in the property and never visited the property." Plaintiff was also aware that the minor renovations, such as painting, was conducted by the Seller's "handyman" as disclosed in the Seller's Disclosures. TNKR also disclosed that it was aware of issues with the heating and cooling systems, there was construction, modification, alterations, or repairs done without permits, and lead-based paints.
- 12. On August 11, 2020, through the original RPA, Ms. Zhu waived her due diligence, although she had a right to conduct inspections:

During such Period, Buyer shall have the right to conduct, noninvasive/non-destructive inspections of all structural, roofing, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, heating/air conditioning, water/well/septic, pool/spa, survey, square footage, and any other property or systems, through licensed and bonded contractors or other qualified professionals.

13. Section II(B)(1) lists the disclosures by TKNR. Despite these disclosures, Plaintiff did not inspect the Subject Property, request additional information and/or conduct any reasonable inquires. Ms. Zhu cancelled the original RPA, Ex. E, because of an issue related to

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her financing, unrelated to the Seller's Disclosures. Notably, she included the explicit waiver of the inspections, which included her initialing the provision that she had not done in the original RPA. Ms. Zhu informed her agent to waive all inspections. Although Ms. Zhu had actual knowledge of the Seller's Disclosures from August 11, 2017, and the Parties agreed to extend the COE to January 5, 2018, Ms. Zhu still never did any professional inspections. Instead, she put down an additional \$60,000 as a non-refundable deposit to the TNKR. Moreover, she also agreed to pay rent in the amount of \$650 per month for one of the units, and to also pay the property manager \$800 for the tenant placement fee. Through Addendum 2 to the 2nd RPA, Ms. Zhu later changed the purchaser to Plaintiff.

- 14. Ms. Zhu agreed that she was not relying upon any representations made by Brokers or Broker's agent. Ms. Zhu agreed to purchase the Property AS-IS, WHERE-IS, without any representations or warranties. Thus, Ms. Zhu waived all claims against Brokers or their agents for (a) defects in the Property . . . (h) factors related to Ms. Zhu's failure to conduct walk-throughs or inspections. Ms. Zhu assumed full responsibility and agreed to conduct such tests, walk-throughs, inspections and research, as she deemed necessary. In any event, Broker's liability was limited, under any and all circumstances, to the amount of that Broker's commission/fee received in the transaction.
- As to the waivers, Paragraph 7(D) of the both the RPA and 2nd RPA expressly 15. provided:

It is strongly recommended that Buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections. If any inspection is not completed and requested repairs are not delivered to Seller within the Due Diligence Period, Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law.

Nevertheless, Ms. Zhu waived her inspection related to the original RPA and the 2nd RPA, reinforced further by actually initialing next to the waiver in the 2nd RPA. Ms. Zhu also waived the energy audit, pest inspection, roof inspection, septic lid removal inspection, mechanical inspection, soil inspection, and structural inspection. Thereby, Ms. Zhu waived any liability of

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Defendants for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted. The RPA and the 2nd RPA clearly indicated that Ms. Zhu was purchasing the Property "AS-IS, WHERE-IS without any representations or warranties."

- Additionally, Ms. Zhu also agreed that the Brokers Defendants had "no 16. responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party." Paragraph 7(D) of the RPA.
- 17. Since 2008, Mr. Miao, Ms. Zhu, and/or Plaintiff have been involved in the purchase of approximately twenty residential properties. In Clark County alone, Ms. Zhu and Mr. Miao were involved with the purchase of at least eight rental properties starting in 2014.
- 18. Mr. Miao understood the importance to check public records when conducting due diligence.
 - 19. Plaintiff was a sophisticated buyer aware of the necessity of property inspection.
- 20. At all times relevant prior to the purchase of the Property, Plaintiff had access to inspect the entire property and conduct non-invasive, non-destructive inspections.
- 21. Prior to the purchase, Mr. Miao was aware that the Seller "strongly recommended that buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections".
- 22. Plaintiff was also aware of the language in the RPA under Paragraph 7(D) that limited potential damages that could have been discovered by an inspection.
- 23. As to the RPA, Mr. Miao agreed that all the terms in it were conspicuous and understandable, and it was a standard agreement similar to the other agreements he had used in purchasing the other properties in Clark County, Nevada.
- 24. On or about August 10, 2017, Mr. Miao inspected Property. During that time, Mr. Miao noted issues with the Property that were not up to code, finishing issues, GFCI outlets¹, and electrical issues.
 - 25. Mr. Miao acknowledged there was an issue with exposed electrical in Unit C as

The Second Amended Complaint references GFCI at Paragraph 31(a). This illustrates the frivolous nature of the pleading since Mr. Miao requested TKNR to install these for Plaintiff.

well as possible asbestos.

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- 26. Mr. Miao noted that there were cracks in the ceramic floor tiles and visible cracks in the concrete foundation, which were open and obvious.
- 27. Mr. Miao admitted that he could also have seen the dryer vent during his inspection.
- 28. Mr. Miao admitted that he could have followed up on the issues identified in the SRPDF that included the HVAC and the permits.
- 29. Similarly, Mr. Miao should have contacted the local building department as part of his due diligence.
- 30. Plaintiff was also on notice of the potential for mold and the requirement to get a mold inspection.
- 31. Despite actual knowledge of these issues, Plaintiff did not elect to have a professional inspection done.
- 32. Finally, Plaintiff was also acutely aware of the requirement of Nevada law to protect itself by getting an inspection.
 - 33. Plaintiff assumed the risk of failing to exercise reasonable care to protect itself.
- 34. The alleged defects identified by both parties' experts could have been discovered at the time of the original purchase as they were "open and obvious".
- 35. Plaintiff failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it, and those afterwards.
- 36. No dispute exists that TKNR did not need permits for the interior work it had done to the Property.
- 37. Plaintiff has always been trying to lease the Property despite not doing any of the repairs listed by Plaintiff's expert. This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff that there are underlying conditions with the Property.
- 38. Moreover, Plaintiff does not provide any notice to the tenants about its expert's report or this litigation. This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff's claims and proves that it has done nothing to correct the allegedly deficient conditions that are clearly not so dangerous as

it does not tell prospective tenants about them.

- 39. Mr. Miao admitted that multiple third parties could have potentially damaged the Property.
- 40. Plaintiff did not present any evidence related to Defendants' alleged knowledge other than his personal belief and speculation.
- 41. Mr. Miao admitted that he has no evidence Defendants knew about the alleged moisture conditions. Additionally, he also admitted that there is no evidence that Defendants knew about the alleged issues with the plumbing system. He also admitted that he did not know if Defendants knew about the alleged issues with the duct work when they owned the Property. He also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it, and those afterwards.
- 42. Mr. Miao also recognized that a 63-year-old property could have issues that were not caused by Defendants.
- 43. The Flipping Fund had nothing to do with Plaintiff's decision to purchase the Property.
- 44. Plaintiff admittedly amplified its alleged damages by more than 6x, and then trebled the damages, and have run up egregious attorneys' fees for this frivolous action. These are undisputed facts that prove abuse of process as a matter of law given the known issues with the Property and Plaintiff's waivers related to the inspections. Plaintiff waived the inspections and purchased the property "as is". This shows that Plaintiff had no interest in having a professional inspection done. It shows the behavior of the Plaintiff related to the entire case.
- 45. Plaintiff was encouraged to inspect the property, and they did not do it. It was a 63-year-old property. There were specific disclosures that were made by the Seller, and Plaintiff was strongly encouraged to conduct the inspection, and they did not want to.
 - 46. This is a 2018 case. Plaintiff has not been diligent in conducting discovery.
 - Rule 56(f) is not a shield that can be raised to block a motion for summary judgment without even the slightest showing by the opposing party that his opposition is meritorious. A party invoking its protections must do so in good faith by affirmatively demonstrating why he cannot respond to a movant's affidavits as

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otherwise required by Rule 56(e) and how postponement of a ruling on the motion will enable him, by discovery or other means, to rebut the movant's showing of the absence of a genuine issue of fact. Where, as here, a party fails to carry his burden under Rule 56(f), postponement of a ruling on a motion for summary judgment is unjustified.

See Bakerink v. Orthopaedic Associates, Ltd., 581 P.2d 9, 11 (Nev. 1978) (quoting Willmar Poultry Co. v. Morton-Norwich Products, 520 F.2d 289, 297 (8th Cir. 1975), Cert. denied, 424 U.S. 915, 96 S.Ct. 1116, 47 L.Ed.2d 320 (1975).

- Plaintiff failed to articulate the alleged discovery that it would likely have. 47. Additionally, Plaintiff already opposed enlarging discovery by specifying that any extension of discovery would prejudice it, indicating that it had no need for additional discovery and that Plaintiff would largely rest upon the findings of its expert. See Plaintiff's Opposition to Motion to Enlarge Discovery. Also, Plaintiff's counsel's declaration in the Opposition illustrated that he had additional discussions with Plaintiff's expert related to the MSJ, but Plaintiff's expert did not proffer any additional opinions to counter the Motion. See *Opp.* at p. 18:7-9.
- 48. As a matter of law, Plaintiff is precluded from seeking damages from Defendants because of her failure to inspect. "Nondisclosure by the seller of adverse information concerning real property . . . will not provide the basis for an action by the buyer to rescind or for damages when property is sold 'as is.' " Mackintosh v. Jack Matthews & Co., 109 Nev. 628, 633, 855 P.2d 549, 552 (1993). Moreover, "[l]iability for nondisclosure is generally not imposed where the buyer either knew of or could have discovered the defects prior to the purchase." Land Baron Invs., Inc. v. Bonnie Springs Family LP, 131 Nev. 686, 696, 356 P.3d 511, 518 (2015).
- 49. Defendants also do not have liability as Ms. Zhu / Plaintiff purchased the Property "as-is" within the reach of the diligent attention and observation of the buyer. Mackintosh, 109 Nev. at 633, 855 P.2d at 552. NRS § 113.140 clearly provides that the disclosures do not constitute a warranty of the Property and that the purchaser still has a duty to exercise reasonable care to protect himself. A completed disclosure form does not constitute an express or implied warranty regarding any condition of residential property. NRS § 113.140(2). Chapters 113 and "645 of Nevada Revised Statutes do not relieve a buyer or prospective buyer of the duty to exercise reasonable care to protect himself or herself." *Id.* at § 113.140(2).

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50. Plaintiff waived its common law claims of negligent misrepresentation, fraudulent or intentional misrepresentation, and/or unjust enrichment when it expressly agreed that it would carry the duty to inspect the property and ensure that all aspects of it were suitable prior to close of escrow, and the information regarding Property was reasonably accessible to the buyer. Frederic and Barbara Rosenberg Living Tr. v. MacDonald Highlands Realty, LLC, 427 P.3d 104, 111 (Nev. 2018).

- 51. Summary judgment is appropriate under NRS § 113.140(1) (seller is not required to disclose a defect in residential property of which she is not aware). Under this statute, "[a]scribing to the term 'aware' its plain meaning, . . . the seller of residential real property does not have a duty to disclose a defect or condition that 'materially affects the value or use of residential property in an adverse manner,' if the seller does not realize, perceive, or have knowledge of that defect or condition." Nelson v. Heer, 163 P.3d 420, 425 (Nev. 2007). Thus, as Plaintiff cannot demonstrate an omitted disclosure that caused damage, Defendants are entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law. *Id.* at 426.
- 52. Under NRS § 113.140(1) (seller is not required to disclose a defect in residential property of which she is not aware), Nelson v. Heer, 163 P.3d 420, 425 (Nev. 2007), and NRS § 645.259(2), Defendants are entitled to Summary Judgment on Plaintiff's claims for (1) Recovery Under NRS Chapter 113, (2) Constructive Fraud, (3) Common Law Fraud, (4) Fraudulent Inducement, (5) Fraudulent Concealment, (6) Breach Of Fiduciary Duty, (8) Damages Under NRS 645.257(1), (9) Failure To Supervise, Inadequate training and Education, (12) Civil Conspiracy, (13) Breach Of Contract, and (14) Breach Of Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing]. It also eliminates the causes of action for (7) RICO, (10) Fraudulent Conveyance, (11) Fraudulent Conveyance, and (15) Abuse of Process since they have no basis in fact or law.
- 53. Eighth Judicial District Court Rule 2.20(e) provides that, "[f]ailure of the opposing party to serve and file written opposition may be construed as an admission that the motion and/or joinder is meritorious and a consent to granting the same." Simply filing an opposition does not relieve a party of its duty to actually oppose the issues raised in the motion. See Benjamin v. Frias Transportation Mgt. Sys., Inc., 433 P.3d 1257 (Nev. 2019) (unpublished

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- 54. The Opposition failed to address the Motion's arguments related to summary judgment in favor of Defendants on Plaintiff's claims for: (7) RICO; (10) Fraudulent Conveyance; (11) Fraudulent Conveyance; (12) Civil Conspiracy; and (15) Abuse of Process. Additionally, Plaintiff fails to provide any meaningful or competent opposition to the Motion's argument for summary judgment as to Plaintiff's claims against the Broker Defendants. As there is no Opposition provided to those arguments made in the Motion, this court should find that those arguments are meritorious and grant the request as to those unopposed issues.
- 55. Pursuant to Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 11(b), by presenting to the court a pleading or other paper, an attorney or unrepresented party certifies: (1) it is not being presented for any improper purpose, such as to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation, (2) the claims and other legal contentions are warranted by existing law or by a nonfrivolous argument for extending, modifying, or reversing existing law or for establishing new law, (3) the factual contentions have evidentiary support, and (4) the denials of factual contentions are warranted on the evidence or.
- 56. "If, after notice and a reasonable opportunity to respond, the court determines that Rule 11(b) has been violated, the court may impose an appropriate sanction on any attorney, law firm, or party that violated the rule or is responsible for the violation. Absent exceptional circumstances, a law firm must be held jointly responsible for a violation committed by its partner, associate, or employee." NEV. R. CIV. PRO. 11(c).
- "On its own, the court may order an attorney, law firm, or party to show cause 57. why conduct specifically described in the order has not violated Rule 11(b)." *Id.* at 11(c)(3). "A sanction imposed under this rule must be limited to what suffices to deter repetition of the conduct or comparable conduct by others similarly situated. The sanction may include nonmonetary directives; an order to pay a penalty into court; or, if imposed on motion and warranted for effective deterrence, an order directing payment to the movant of part or all of the reasonable attorney fees and other expenses directly resulting from the violation." Id. at 11(c)(4).

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58. Rule 11 prevents a party from bringing a lawsuit for an improper purpose, which includes: (1) harassment, causing unnecessary delay, or needless increasing the cost of litigation; or (2) making frivolous claims. NEV. R. CIV. PRO. 11(b)(1)-(2). Rule 11 sanctions should be imposed for frivolous actions. Marshall v. District Court, 108 Nev. 459, 465, 836 P.2d 47, 52.

- 59. A frivolous claim is one that is "both baseless and made without a reasonable and competent inquiry." Bergmann v. Boyce, 109 Nev. 670, 676, 856 P.2d 560, 564 (1993) (quoting Townsend v. Holman Consulting Corp., 929 F.2d 1358, 1362 (9th Cir.1990); Golden Eagle Distrib. Corp. v. Burroughs Corp., 801 F.2d 1531, 1537 (9th Cir. 1986)). A determination of whether a claim is frivolous involves a two-pronged analysis: (1) the court must determine whether the pleading is "well grounded in fact and is warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification or reversal of existing law"; and (2) whether the attorney made a reasonable and competent inquiry. Bergmann, 109 Nev. at 676, 856 P.2d at 564. A sanction imposed for violation of Rule 11 shall be limited to what is sufficient to deter repetition of such conduct or comparable conduct by others similarly situated. *Id.* at 11(c)(2).
- 60. Furthermore, a court may award attorneys' fees to a prevailing party when it finds that the claim was brought or maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. NEV. REV. STAT. § 18.010(2)(b). In other cases, a court may award attorneys' fees "when it finds that the opposing party brought or maintained a claim without reasonable grounds." Rodriguez v. Primadonna Co., LLC, 216 P.3d 793, 800 (Nev. 2009). "The court shall liberally construe the provisions of this paragraph in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations." *Id.* The Nevada Legislature explained that:

[i]t 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.

Id. "A claim is groundless if 'the allegations in the complaint . . . are not supported by any credible evidence at trial." Barozzi v. Benna, 112 Nev. 635, 639, 918 P.2d 301, 303 (1996)

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(quoting Western United Realty, Inc. v. Isaacs, 679 P.2d 1063, 1069 (Colo.1984)).

- 77. The overwhelming facts and law illustrate that Plaintiff's claim is frivolous. The findings of fact are incorporated by reference.
- Plaintiff's claim is clearly frivolous: (1) where the pleading was not "well 78. grounded in fact and is warranted by existing law or a good faith argument for the extension, modification or reversal of existing law", and (2) Plaintiff's attorney continued to make frivolous claims. Bergmann, 109 Nev. at 676, 856 P.2d at 564. Sanctions are warranted against Plaintiff and its counsel, which includes an award attorneys' fees to Defendants.
- 79. Alternatively, the elements of an abuse of process claim are: "(1) an ulterior purpose by the defendants other than resolving a legal dispute, and (2) a willful act in the use of the legal process not proper in the regular conduct of the proceeding." Posadas v. City of Reno, 109 Nev. 448, 452, 851 P.2d 438, 441-42 (1993). Abuse of process can arise from both civil and criminal proceedings. LaMantia v. Redisi, 118 Nev. 27, 30, 38 P.3d 877, 879 (2002). Malice, want of probable cause, and termination in favor of the person initiating or instituting proceedings are not necessary elements for a prima facie abuse of process claim. Nevada Credit Rating Bur. v. Williams, 88 Nev. 601, 606, 503 P.2d 9, 12 (1972); Restatement (Second) of Torts § 682 cmt. a (1977). The mere filing of a complaint is insufficient to establish the tort of abuse of process. Laxalt v. McClatchy, 622 F. Supp. 737, 751 (1985).
- 80. Under either Rule 11, Plaintiff brought and maintained this action without reasonable ground. NEV. REV. STAT. § 18.010(2)(b). The overwhelming facts and law illustrate that Plaintiff brought or maintained this claim without reasonable grounds, which justifies an award of attorneys' fees. Rodriguez v. Primadonna Co., LLC, 216 P.3d 793, 800 (Nev. 2009).
- 81. The court intends to award to the Defendants the reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees and costs, incurred for defending this lawsuit under Rule 11. This sanction is limited to what suffices to deter repetition of the conduct or comparable conduct by others similarly situated.

Based on the foregoing, the Court GRANTS Defendants Motion, DENIES the Counterclaim, and GRANTS attorneys' fees and costs to Defendants pursuant to Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 11.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that the Motion is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that the Countermotion, including the 56(f) Countermotion, is **DENIED**. This is a 2018 case. Discovery ended October 30, 2020. This Court will not agree to enlarge discovery.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that Defendants are awarded attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Rule 11. Defendants may file an affidavit in support of requested attorney's fees and costs within 10 days of the entry of Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that this is a final order related to the claims and counterclaim. This Court directs entry of a final judgment of all claims.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that any outstanding or pending discovery is quashed as moot.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that any trial dates and/or calendar calls are vacated as moot.

Dated this 7th day of April, 2021

THE HON. ADRIANA ESCOBAR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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TKNR INC., a California Corporation, and CHI ON WONG aka CHI KUEN WONG, an individual, and KENNY ZHONG LIN, aka KEN ZHONG LIN aka KENNETH ZHONG LIN aka WHONG K. LIN aka CHONG KENNY LIN aka ZHONG LIN, an individual, and LIWE HELEN CHEN aka HELEN CHEN, an individual and YAN QIU ZHANG, an individual, and INVESTPRO LLC dba INVESTPRO REALTY, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, and MAN CHENG, an individual, and JOYCE A. NICKRANDT, individual. an and **INVESTPRO INVESTMENTS** LLC, Nevada Limited Liability Company, and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company and JOYCE A. NICKRANDT, an individual and Does 1 through 15 and Roe Corporation I - XXX,

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DEPT. NO.: XIV

DEFENDANTS' OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Defendants.

Defendants TKNR INC. ("TKNR"), CHI ON WONG ("WONG"), KENNY ZHONG LIN ("LIN"), LIWE HELEN CHEN ("CHEN"), YAN QIU ZHANG ("ZHANG"), INVESTPRO LLC ("INVESTPRO"), MAN CHAU CHENG ("CHENG"), JOYCE A. NICKRANDT ("NICKRANDT"), INVESTPRO INVESTMENTS, LLC ("Investments"), and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Defendants"), by and through their

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counsel of record, Michael B. Lee, P.C., hereby files this Opposition ("Opposition") to Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider ("Motion"). This Opposition is made on the following Memorandum of Points and Authorities, any affidavits, declarations or exhibits attached hereto, and any oral arguments accepted at the time of the hearing of this matter. Plaintiff W L A B INVESTMENT, LLC is hereinafter referred to as "Plaintiff" or "WLAB".

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

A. **Overview**

The Motion should be denied for both procedural and factual concerns. First, the Motion was filed 16 days after the Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, which is untimely pursuant to Eighth Judicial District Court Rule ("EDCR") § 2.24(b) and must not be considered. Second, Plaintiff has filed a notice of appeal in this matter, divesting the district court of jurisdiction in this matter. Finally, the Motion relies entirely on Mr. Miao's affidavit to contradict or refute the facts he admitted to in his own deposition testimony, which is inappropriate and eviscerates the purpose of summary judgment.

To the extent, the Motion argues that exhibits should have been authenticated, that is nothing more than harmless error, which Defendants have corrected through the Declaration of Mr. Kenny Lin. Additionally, the argument lacks merit as Plaintiffs disclosed some of the documents that they argue were not authenticated.

Statement of Facts В.

The following facts are taken from the "Findings of Fact" portion of the Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the alternative, Partial Summary Judgment ("Order"); however, for length and clarity, the citations to Mr. Miao's deposition have been removed from the below recitation.

1. First Residential Purchase Agreement and Waiver of Inspections, Contractual Broker Limitations

The Property (defining as 2132 Houston Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89104) was originally constructed in 1954. On or about August 11, 2017, Marie Zhu ("Zhu"), the original purchaser,

executed a residential purchase agreement ("RPA") for the Property. See Order at ¶ 1. At all times relevant, Ms. Zhu and Mr. Miao, the managing member of Plaintiff, were sophisticated buyers related to "property management, property acquisition, and property maintenance." Id. The purchase price for the property was \$200,000. *Id.*

Through the RPA, Ms. Zhu waived her due diligence, although she had a right to conduct inspections:

> During such Period, Buyer shall have the right to conduct, noninvasive/non-destructive inspections of all structural, roofing, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, heating/air conditioning, water/well/septic, pool/spa, survey, square footage, and any other property or systems, through licensed and bonded contractors or other qualified professionals.

Id. at \P 2.

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Ms. Zhu did not cancel the contract related to any issues with the Property. Id. at \P 3. Under Paragraph 7(C) of the RPA, Ms. Zhu waived the Due Diligence condition. Id. at 4. Under Paragraph 7(D) of the RPA, it provided:

> It is strongly recommended that Buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections. If any inspection is not completed and requested repairs are not delivered to Seller within the Due Diligence Period, Buyer is deemed to have waived the right to that inspection and Seller's liability for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted, except as otherwise provided by law.

Id.

Ms. Zhu waived any liability of Defendants for the cost of all repairs that inspection would have reasonably identified had it been conducted. Id. at ¶ 5. Ms. Zhu also waived the energy audit, pest inspection, roof inspection, septic lid removal inspection, mechanical inspection, soil inspection, and structural inspection. Id.

Under Paragraph 7(F), it was Ms. Zhu's responsibility to inspect the Property sufficiently as to satisfy her use. Id. at ¶ 6. Additionally, Wong, Lin, Chen, Zhang, Cheng, and Nickrandt (collectively, "Brokers" or "Broker Defendants") had "no responsibility to assist in the payment of any repair, correction or deferred maintenance on the Property which may have been revealed by the above inspections, agreed upon by the Buyer and Seller or requested by one party." *Id.*

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On August 2, 2017, TKNR submitted its Seller Disclosures timely indicating all known conditions of the Subject Property. Plaintiff's Disclosure. Id. at ¶ 7. In fact, TKNR disclosed that "3 units has (sic) brand new AC installed within 3 months," and further that the "owner never resided in the property and never visited the property." *Id.* It also disclosed that the minor renovations, such as painting, was conducted by the Seller's "handyman" as disclosed in the Seller's Disclosures. Id. Seller also disclosed that it had done construction, modification, alterations, or repairs without permits. Id. Despite these disclosures, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspect the Subject Property, request additional information and/or conduct any reasonable inquires. Id.

> 2. Second Residential Purchase Agreement and Waiver of Inspections, Contractual Broker Limitations

On or before September 5, 2017, Ms. Zhu had issues related to the financing for the Property because of an appraisal. Chen-Ms. Zhu email. As such, Ms. Chen confirmed that Ms. Zhu would do a new purchase agreement, and would agree to pay the difference in an appraisal with a lower value than the purchase price, and waive inspections:

> Please note that seller agree the rest of terms and request to add the below term on the contract:

> "Buyer agree to pay the difference in cash if appraisal come in lower than purchase price, not to exceed purchase price of \$200k" I just send you the docs, please review and sign if you are agree. Thank you!

> (Per buyer's request will waive licensed home inspector to do the home inspection)

Id. at \P 8.

On the same day, Ms. Zhu and TKNR agreed to Addendum No. 1 to cancel the RPA dated August 11, 2017, Addendum No. 1, and entered into a new Residential Purchase Agreement dated September 5, 2017 ("2nd RPA"). Id. at ¶ 9. As before, the overall purchase price for the Property was \$200,000, but Ms. Zhu changed the contingency for the loan to \$150,000 with earnest money deposit of \$500 and a balance of \$49,500 owed at the close of escrow ("COE" or "Closing"). Id. The COE was set for September 22, 2017. Id.

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Notably, although Ms. Zhu had not initialed the "Failure to Cancel or Resolve Objections" provision in the RPA, she initialed the corresponding provision in the 2nd RPA. *Id.* at ¶ 10. This was consistent with Ms. Zhu's instructions to Ms. Chen. Id. This is the second time that Ms. Zhu waived inspections for the Property despite the language in the 2nd RPA that strongly advised to get an inspection done. *Id*.

As noted, Ms. Zhu waived any inspections related to the purchase of the Property in the 2nd RPA. *Id.* at ¶ 11. Although Ms. Zhu had actual knowledge of the Seller's Disclosures, and the Parties agreed to extend the COE to January 5, 2018, Ms. Zhu still never did any professional inspections. Id. Instead, she put down an additional \$60,000 as a non-refundable deposit to the TNKR. Id. Moreover, she also agreed to pay rent in the amount of \$650 per month for one of the units, and to also pay the property manager \$800 for the tenant placement fee. Id. Through Addendum 2 to the 2nd RPA, Ms. Zhu later changed the purchaser to Plaintiff. *Id*.

3. Deposition of Plaintiff's Person Most Knowledgeable – Mr. Miao

Since 2008, Mr. Miao, Ms. Zhu, and/or Plaintiff have been involved in the purchase of approximately twenty properties. Id. at ¶ 12. In Clark County alone, Ms. Zhu and Mr. Miao were involved with the purchase of at least eight rental properties starting in 2014. Id. Plaintiff understands the importance of reading contracts. Id. at ¶ 13. Mr. Miao specified that he understands the needs to check public records when conducting his due diligence. *Id.* at ¶ 14. Plaintiff was a sophisticated buyer who understands the necessity of getting properties inspected. *Id.* at ¶ 15.

4. Requirement to Inspect was Known

The terms of the RPA were clear to Plaintiff. *Id.* at ¶ 16. As to Paragraph 7(A), Mr. Miao specified that he believed that his inspection and conversations with the tenant constituted the actions necessary to deem the Property as satisfactory for Plaintiff's purchase. *Id.* at ¶ 17. At all times relevant prior to the purchase of the Property, Plaintiff had access to inspect the entire property and conduct non-invasive, non-destructive inspections. Id. at ¶ 18. Prior to the purchase, Mr. Miao was always aware that the Seller "strongly recommended that buyer retain licensed Nevada professionals to conduct inspections". Id. at ¶ 19. Plaintiff was also aware of

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the language in the RPA under Paragraph 7(D) that limited potential damages that could have been discovered by an inspection. Id. at ¶ 20. Finally, as to the RPA, Mr. Miao agreed that all the terms in it were conspicuous and understandable, and it was a standard agreement similar to the other agreements he had used in purchasing the other properties in Clark County, Nevada. *Id*. at ¶ 21.

5. Mr. Miao does Inspections for Plaintiff Although he is not a Licensed, Bonded Professional Inspector

As to all the properties purchased by Plaintiff, Mr. Miao always does the inspections and does not believe a professional inspection is necessary. Id. at 22. Based on his own belief, he does not believe that a professional inspection is necessary for multi-tenant residential properties. Id. Notably, he does not have any professional license related to being a general contractor, inspector, appraiser, or project manager. Id. at ¶ 23. Mr. Miao has never hired a professional inspector in Clark County, so he does not actually know what a professional inspection would encompass here. Id. at ¶ 24. The main reason Plaintiff does not use a professional inspector is because of the cost. *Id.* at \P 25.

On or about August 10, 2017, Mr. Miao did an inspection of the Property. *Id.* at ¶ 26. During that time, he admitted that he noticed some issues with the Property that were not up to code, finishing issues, GFCI outlets, and electrical issues. Id. Similarly, he also specified that there was an issue with exposed electrical in Unit C. Id. at ¶ 27. He also noted that there could have been a potential asbestos issue as well. Id. Additionally, Mr. Miao noted that there were cracks in the ceramic floor tiles, and he was aware of visible cracks in the concrete foundation, which were open and obvious. *Id.* at ¶ 28. Mr. Miao also admitted that he could also have seen the dryer vent during his inspection. Id. at ¶ 29. As to those issues, Mr. Miao determined that they were the only issues that TKNR needed to fix after his inspection. *Id.* at ¶ 30.

Moreover, Mr. Miao received the SRPDF prior to the purchase of the Property. *Id.* at ¶ 31. As to SRPDF, Plaintiff was aware that TKNR was an investor who had not resided in the Property, and there were issues with the heating systems, cooling systems, and that there was work done without permits. Id. at 31. Similarly, it was aware that the Property was 63 years old

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at that time and all the work was done by a handyman other than the HVAC installation. *Id.* at \P 31. Despite these disclosures, Mr. Miao never followed up. *Id.* at ¶ 32. However, Mr. Miao also admitted that he could have followed up on the issues identified in the SRPDF that included the HVAC and the permits. Id. at ¶ 33. Similarly, Mr. Miao was aware that he should have contacted the local building department as part of his due diligence. *Id.* at ¶ 34.

Plaintiff was also on notice of the potential for mold and the requirement to get a mold inspection. Id. at ¶ 35. Despite actual knowledge of these issues, Plaintiff did not elect to have a professional inspection done. Id. at ¶ 36. Finally, Plaintiff was also acutely aware of the requirement of Nevada law to protect itself by getting an inspection. Id. at ¶ 37. Ultimately, Plaintiff assumed the risk of failing to exercise reasonable care to protect itself. *Id.* at ¶ 38.

6. No Dispute a Professional Inspection Could Have Revealed the Alleged Issues

The alleged defects identified by both parties' experts could have been discovered at the time of the original purchase. As to the ability to inspect, Mr. Miao admitted that he had access to the entire building. Id. at ¶ 39. He had access to the attic and looked at it. Id. Mr. Miao admitted that Plaintiff's expert examined the same areas that he did. Id. Notably, Plaintiff's expert did not do any destructive testing, so the expert's access was exactly the same as Mr. Miao's original inspection. Id. at ¶ 40. Mr. Miao admitted that Plaintiff's expert's inspection of the HVAC and the plumbing system would have been the same as his in 2017. *Id.* at ¶ 41. Mr. Miao also admitted that the pictures attached to Plaintiff's expert report were areas that he could have inspected in 2017. *Id.* at \P 42.

Additionally, Mr. Miao accompanied Defendants' expert during his inspection. *Id.* at ¶ 43. As before, Mr. Miao had the same access to the Property in 2017 for the areas inspected by Defendants' expert. Id. Mr. Miao agreed with Defendants' expert that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's expert were "open and obvious." Id. at ¶ 44. He also agreed with Defendants' expert's finding that there was no noticeable sagging in the roof. *Id.* at ¶ 45. Incredibly, Mr. Miao also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it, and

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those afterwards. Id. at ¶ 46. This would have also included any issues with the dryer vent and ducts, as he recognized that most rentals do not include washer / dryer units. *Id*.

7. No Permits Required for Cosmetic Work by TKNR

No dispute exists that TKNR did not need permits for the interior work it had done to the Property. Id. at ¶ 47. Mr. Miao admitted no permits are required for: painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops, interior wall, floor or ceiling covering, and similar finish work. Id. Also, no permit was needed for: window replacement without structural change or alteration, replace or repair the sink, faucet, countertops, shower walls, shower heads, rain gutters and down spouts, regrouting tile, a hose bib, portable heating appliances, portable ventilation appliances, portable cooling units, and/or portable evaporative coolers installed in windows. Id.

8. Plaintiff does not Disclose Alleged Issues to Potential Tenants

Since the date it purchased the Property, Plaintiff has always been trying to lease it. *Id.* at According to Mr. Miao, the landlord must provide safe housing for the tenant. Id. However, they have not done any of the repairs listed by Plaintiff's expert. Id. This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff that there are underlying conditions with the Property. Id. Moreover, Plaintiff does not provide any notice to the tenants about its expert's report or this litigation. Id. at ¶ 49. This illustrates the lack of merit of Plaintiff's claims, proven that it has done nothing to correct the allegedly deficient conditions that are clearly not so dangerous as it does not tell prospective tenants about them. *Id.* at \P 50.

9. Squatters or Tenants could have Damaged the Property

Mr. Miao admitted that multiple third parties could have potentially damaged the Property. Id. at ¶ 51. The Property has a historic problem with squatters during the time that Plaintiff owned it. *Id.* He also admitted that tenants could have damaged the Property while they were occupying it. Id. This could also account for the cracking on the walls. Id. Tenants could have also damaged the Property if they hit it with their cars. *Id.*

No Evidence that Defendants Knew of Alleged Conditions 10.

Plaintiff's case is based on speculation that Defendants knew about the alleged conditions in the Property; however, Mr. Miao admitted that there is no evidence that shows Defendants

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knew about them. Id. at ¶ 52. The entire case is based on Mr. Miao's personal belief and speculation. Id. at ¶ 53. Mr. Miao admitted that he has no evidence Defendants knew about the alleged moisture conditions. *Id.* at ¶ 54. Additionally, he also admitted that there is no evidence that Defendants knew about the alleged issues with the plumbing system. Id. He also admitted that he did not know if Defendants knew about the alleged issues with the duct work when they owned the Property. Id. He also recognized the deficiency in Plaintiff's expert's report that failed to differentiate between conditions prior to when TKNR owned the Property, while it owned it, and those afterwards. Id.

Mr. Miao also recognized that a 63-year-old property could have issues that were not caused by Defendants. Id. at ¶ 55. This would have also included any issues with the dryer vent and ducts, and when the duct became disconnected. Id. Plaintiff did not identify any discovery illustrating a genuine issue of material fact that Defendants knew of the alleged issues with the Property that they had not already disclosed on Seller's Disclosures. *Id.* at ¶ 56. Notably, during Mr. Miao's due diligence period, he spoke with the tenants of the Property. *Id.* at ¶ 57. This included a conversation with the long-term tenant of Unit A, who still resides in the Property to this day. Id. At that time, the tenant reported being very happy with the Property and had no complaints. Id. In fact, the tenant reported still being very happy with the Property. Id. This illustrates that there is no basis that Defendants should have been aware of any of the issues when Mr. Miao, a self-professed expert, did not even know about them following his inspection. Id.

11. No Basis for RICO and/or Related to Flipping Fund

The Flipping Fund had nothing to do with Plaintiff's decision to purchase the Property. *Id.* at ¶ 58. He also admitted that he never received any pro forma, private placement information, calculations of profit and loss, capital contribution requirements, member share or units, or any such information about the Flipping Fund. Id.

Plaintiff Admitted it Inflated its Cost of Repair 12.

Initially, Mr. Miao contacted contractors to bid the potential cost of repair for the Property and determined that it would have been \$102,873.00. Id. at ¶ 59. However, Plaintiff's

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expert opined that the cost of repair would have been \$600,000, although he did not provide an itemized cost of repair. Id. This illustrates that the bad faith purposes of this lawsuit were to simply harass Defendants. Id. Mr. Miao perjured himself in his Declaration in support of the Opposition. Id. at ¶ 60. He denied, under the penalty of perjury, that he never made an offer to settle this matter for \$10,000. Id. However, during his deposition he admitted that he did make this offer. Id. As noted in the Motion, this illustrates the overall bad faith of the litigation where Plaintiff admittedly amplified its alleged damages by more than 6x, and then trebled the damages, and have run up egregious attorneys' fees for this frivolous action. Id. These are undisputed facts that prove abuse of process as a matter of law. *Id.*

13. Allegation in the Second Amended Complaint

On November 23, 2020, Plaintiff filed its Second Amended Complaint ("SAC"). *Id.* at ¶ 61. Based on the admissions of Mr. Miao and the waivers related to the RPA and the 2nd RPA, these allegations illustrate the overall frivolous nature of this action and why Rule 11 sanctions are appropriate. Id.

As to paragraph 31(a) of the SAC, Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Id. at ¶ 62. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the electrical system and items not up to code at the time that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the electrical system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Id. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Id. Incredibly, Mr. Miao admitted that he was the person who asked for TKNR to install the GFCI outlets, so he was clearly aware of this issue as well. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Id. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(b), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, the lack of permits, and issues with the sprinklers. Id. at ¶ 63. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the plumbing system

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were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Id. 2017. *Id*. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. *Id.* Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(c), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose the use of a handyman, the lack of permits, and issues with the sprinklers. Id. at ¶ 64. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the sewer system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Id. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Id. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(d), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Id. at \P 65. Additionally, he specified that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the heating system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have discovered in 2017. Id. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Id. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(e), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Id. at ¶ 66. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues with the heating and cooling system and items not up to code at the time that he did his inspection and/or that any issues with the heating and cooling system were "open and obvious" that a reasonable, professional inspection could have Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional discovered in 2017. Id. inspection. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have

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inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Id. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(f), this allegation illustrates the prior knowledge that Plaintiff had before purchasing the Property, and the overall emphasis on the failure to obtain a professional inspection of the Property prior to purchasing it. *Id.* at \P 67.

As to 31(g), (k), Mr. Miao admitted Plaintiff executed the mold and moisture waiver, and understood its affirmative duty to have an inspection done prior to the purchase of the Property. Id. at ¶ 68. He also admitted that that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose the use of a handyman, installation of the cabinetry, bathrooms, and the lack of permits. *Id.* Additionally, he specified that he personally inspected the attic and the dryer vent before Plaintiff purchased the Property. Id. Despite these issues, Plaintiff chose not to have a professional inspection. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. *Id.* Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(h), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. *Id.* at ¶ 69. Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Id. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues. Id.

As to 31(i), this allegation illustrates the prior knowledge that Plaintiff had before purchasing the Property, and the overall emphasis on the failure to obtain a professional inspection of the Property prior to purchasing it. Mr. Miao admitted that he should have followed up related to the permit issue prior to Plaintiff purchasing the Property. *Id.* at 70.

As to 31(j), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Id. at \P 71. Additionally, he specified that he noted issues were "open and obvious" that a reasonable,

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As to 31(1), Mr. Miao admitted that the Seller's Disclosures did disclose issues with the heating and cooling systems, the use of a handyman, and the lack of permits. Id. at \P 72. Mr. Miao admitted that there was visible cracking on the foundation, walls, and the tiles that were open and obvious at the time that Plaintiff purchased the Property in 2017. Id. Moreover, Mr. Miao specified that this was a condition that Plaintiff could have inspected at or before the time it had originally purchased the Property. Id. Notably, Mr. Miao admitted that no evidence showed that Defendants were aware of any of these issues, and also admitted that squatters and tenants could have damaged the Property. *Id*.

14. No Reliance on Broker Agents

As to the Brokers, Ms. Zhu agreed that she was not relying upon any representations made by Brokers or Broker's agent. *Id.* at ¶ 73. Ms. Zhu agreed to purchase the Property AS-IS, WHERE-IS, without any representations or warranties. Id. Ms. Zhu agreed to satisfy herself, as to the condition of the Property, prior to the close of escrow. Id. Ms. Zhu waived all claims against Brokers or their agents for (a) defects in the Property . . . (h) factors related to Ms. Zhu's failure to conduct walk-throughs or inspections. Id. Ms. Zhu assumed full responsibility and agreed to conduct such tests, walk-throughs, inspections and research, as she deemed necessary. Id. In any event, Broker's liability was limited, under any and all circumstances, to the amount of that Broker's commission/fee received in the transaction. Id.

15. Mr. Miao Agreed with Defendants' Expert

On November 17, 2020, Defendants' expert, Neil D. Opfer, an Associate Professor of Construction Management at UNLV and overqualified expert, conducted an inspection of the Property. Id. at ¶ 74. At that time, as noted earlier, Mr. Miao walked the Property with Professor

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Opfer. Id. Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that the alleged conditions identified by Plaintiff's alleged expert were open and obvious. Id. at ¶ 75. Mr. Miao also agreed with Professor Opfer that Plaintiff's expert did not do any destructive testing, so the same alleged conditions that the alleged expert noted, would have been made by an inspector at the time of the purchase. Id. at ¶ 76. Additionally, Mr. Miao agreed with Professor Opfer that Plaintiff's alleged expert did "not recognize prior conditions in existence before any work took place by the Defendants." Id. at ¶ 77.

II. **DISCUSSION**

The following Discussion is organized into four (4) Parts. Part A sets forth the legal standards related to the Motion's requested relief. Part B illustrates that there are procedural issues that bar the court from granting the Motion. Part C explains that the Motion relies solely on the affidavit of Mr. Miao to contradict his previous deposition testimony in an attempt to create an issue of fact, which is improper. Part D sets forth that the lack of authentication of the documents is harmless error and does not require reconsideration. Part E establishes that there was no evidence in the record to support Plaintiff's claims. Part F requests sanctions for the frivolous nature of the Motion. Finally, Part G provides that the deadline to object to the award of attorneys' fees has expired and therefore should be issued in full to Defendants.

A. **Legal Standards**

1. Reconsideration

"No motions once heard and disposed of may be renewed in the same cause, nor may the same matters therein embraced be reheard, unless by leave of the court granted upon motion therefor, after notice of such motion to the adverse parties." See EDCR § 2.24(a). "A party seeking reconsideration of a ruling of the court, other than any order that may be addressed by motion pursuant to NRCP 50(b), 52(b), 59 or 60, must file a motion for such relief within 14 days after service of written notice of the order or judgment unless the time is shortened or enlarged by order." *Id.* at § 2.24(b) (in pertinent part).

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2. Appeal Divests District Court of Jurisdiction

The timely filing of a notice of appeal "divests the district court of jurisdiction to act and vests jurisdiction in [the Supreme Court]." See Mack-Manley v. Manley, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 1387 P.3d 525, 529 (2006) (quoting Rust v. Clark Cty. School District, 103 Nev. 686, 688, 747 P.2d 1380, 1382 (1987)). "[W]hen an appeal is perfected, the district court is divested of jurisdiction to revisit issues that are pending before this court, [but] the district court retains jurisdiction to enter orders on matters that are collateral to and independent from the appealed order, i.e., matters that in no way affect the appeal's merits. *Id.* at 855, 529-30.

3. Prior Deposition Testimony

"[A]n admitting party is barred from denying that which it has already admitted. La-Tex Partn. v. Deters, 893 P.2d 361, 365 (Nev. 1995) (citing Wagner v. Carex Investigations & Sec. Inc., 93 Nev. 627, 632, 572 P.2d 921, 924 (1977) (commenting on the application of Nev. R. Civ. Pro. 36). The general rule "is that a party cannot create an issue of fact by an affidavit contradicting his prior deposition testimony." Kennedy v. Allied Mut. Ins. Co., 952 F.2d 262, 266 (9th Cir. 1991) (citations omitted). "[I]f a party who has been examined at length on deposition could raise an issue of fact simply by submitting an affidavit contradicting his own prior testimony, this would greatly diminish the utility of summary judgment as a procedure for screening out sham issues of fact." Id. (quoting Foster v. Arcata Associates, 772 F.2d 1453, 1462 (9th Cir.1985), cert. denied, 475 U.S. 1048, 106 S.Ct. 1267, 89 L.Ed.2d 576 (1986) (additional citations omitted)).

"[A] 'genuine' issue of material fact within the intendment of NRCP 56 may not be created by the conflicting sworn statements of the party against whom summary judgment was entered, and that it was permissible for the court to prefer one statement over the other in deciding a summary judgment motion." See Bank of Las Vegas v. Hoopes, 84 Nev. 585, 586, 445 P.2d 937, 938, 1968 Nev. LEXIS 414, 3 (Nev. 1968) (citing Aldabe v. Adams, 81 Nev. 280, 402 P.2d 34 (1965)). A party's conflicting statements do not create a genuine issue of material fact because Rule 56 contemplates conflicts created by adversaries. Id. In circumstances where the

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party is contradicting its own factual statement, the court is not required to accept the affidavit as true. Id.

The Motion should be Denied for Procedural Concerns В.

The Motion is untimely and should be denied for that reason. The Notice of Entry of the Order was filed on March 31, 2021. However, the Motion was not filed until April 16, 2021, two days after the deadline to file the Motion had ran. See EDCR § 2.24(b) (party has 14 days after Notice of Entry of Order to file a motion to reconsider). Notably, the Notice of Entry of Order was filed electronically, and Plaintiff is well aware form previous briefing in this matter that there is no longer an additional three days tacked on to filing deadlines that arise from documents served through the court's electronic filing system. See Nev. R. Civ. Pro. § 9(f)(2). As such, there is no excuse for the late filing, and the Motion should not be considered.

Additionally, Plaintiff filed a notice of appeal in this matter on April 26, 2021, appealing the Order that is the subject of the Motion's request for reconsideration. As such, this Honorable Court has been divested of jurisdiction to rule on the Motion. See *Mack-Manley v. Manley*, 122 Nev. 849, 855, 1387 P.3d 525, 529-30 (2006). The Motion is clearly not collateral or independent from the appealed Order and thus cannot be considered by the court at this time. *Id.*

Therefore, based on the aforementioned procedural issues, the Motion must be denied as the court lacks jurisdiction to grant the Motion based on the untimely filing of the Motion and the timely filing of the notice of appeal.

C. Mr. Miao cannot Create an Issue of Fact through Affidavit that Contradicts his Prior Deposition Testimony

The Order that is the subject of the Motion's request for reconsideration includes numerous direct citations to the deposition testimony of Mr. Miao to establish that there is no genuine of material fact that would keep the court from granting Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. See Order, generally. Plaintiff clearly understood that the deposition testimony of Mr. Miao was a substantial factor in the court's determination to grant Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment because Plaintiff uses the first thirty (30) pages of the Motion to contradict Mr. Miao's deposition testimony through a subsequent affidavit signed by Mr. Miao.

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See Motion at pp. 1-30, and Motion at Ex. 1. Instead of bolstering its arguments by using the deposition testimony of Mr. Miao, Plaintiff attempts to completely ignore the undisputed facts gathered from Mr. Miao's deposition testimony and tries to rewrite history through the new affidavit of Mr. Miao. However, the court has previously determined that it will not consider affidavits from a party that contradicts the party's own prior testimony when determining if there is a genuine issue of material fact. See Kennedy v. Allied Mut. Ins. Co., 952 F.2d 262, 266 (9th Cir. 1991) (citations omitted).

Here, the Motion provides no reasonable argument that the court's determination to grant summary judgment based on the evidence presented was in error. Instead, Plaintiff relies solely on the self-serving testimony of Mr. Miao's April 16, 2021 Affidavit (attached as Exhibit 1 to the Motion). Incredibly, Plaintiff does not even attempt to camouflage the deleterious purpose of Mr. Miao's affidavit as it quite literally goes line by line through court's factual findings and tries to contradict / explain away each finding made through the use of the affidavit. This is the exact type of conduct that the court found to be disfavored as "it would greatly diminish the utility of summary judgment as a procedure for screening out sham issues of fact." See Kennedy, 952 F.2d at 266.

Similar to *Hoopes*, this court does not have to accept the averments in the affidavit as true and can disregard any alleged issue of fact created by the affidavit because of the clear contradictory nature of the affidavit to the previous deposition testimony. See Bank of Las Vegas v. Hoopes, 84 Nev. 585, 586, 445 P.2d 937, 938, 1968 Nev. LEXIS 414, 3 (Nev. 1968). In Hoopes, the vice-president of the bank signed a satisfaction of debt that was acknowledged by the court, but later signed an affidavit stating the debt was not paid. Id. The court determined that it would not accept the affidavit as true and would not disregard the prior satisfaction of debt. Id. The same result should follow here as the April 16, 2021 affidavit is nothing more than self-serving testimony of Mr. Miao to contradict and rewrite the testimony he previously gave at the time of his deposition under oath, for which he had every opportunity to review and correct at the time of the deposition, and/or shortly thereafter. Incredibly, Mr. Miao did make corrections following review of his deposition transcript; however, none of the corrections were substantial

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in nature, nor was did it include any of the information included in Mr. Miao's new affidavit, illustrating the Motion and the new affidavit are in bad faith and lack substance. See Correction Sheet attached as Exhibit A.

Ultimately, the Motion fails to address the deposition testimony of Mr. Miao that the court utilized in making its determination. Instead, Plaintiff tries to rewrite history though the April 16, 2021 affidavit of Mr. Miao that is in direct contention with his previous deposition testimony. Plaintiff cannot manifest its own alleged issues of material fact to survive summary judgment, which is exactly what the Motion intends to do. As such, the Motion should be denied in its entirety.

D. Lack of Authentication of Exhibits is Harmless Error that does not Require Reconsideration

"Any error, defect, irregularity or variance which does not affect substantial rights shall be disregarded." See Nev. Rev. Stat. § 178.598. The determination of whether an error is harmless depends on whether it had a substantial and an injurious effect or influence " See Tavares v. State, 117 Nev. 725, 732, 30 P.3d 1128, 1132 (2001) (quoting Kotteakos v. U.S., 328) U.S. 750, 776 (1946). Here, any failure to authenticate the exhibits and/or documents utilized by the court in reaching its decision to grant summary judgment was a harmless error that can be cured through the affidavit of Kenny Lin, which is attached as **Exhibit B** to this Opposition.

Additionally, certain documents used were actually produced and/or generated by Plaintiff, illustrating no real issue of authenticity of those documents. Specifically, those documents include:

- 1. Exhibit B to Motion for Summary Judgment ("MSJ") RPA that was disclosed in Plaintiff's 16.1 Early Case Conference Disclosures Exhibit 5, p. 26 – 35.
- 2. Exhibit C to MSJ Seller Disclosures Form disclosed by Plaintiff's 16.1 Early Case Conference Disclosures, Exhibit 5, p. 36 - 40.
- 3. Exhibit M to MSJ Plaintiff's Calculation of Damages contained in Plaintiff's 16.1 Early Case Conference Disclosures, and all supplements thereto.
- 4. Exhibit N to MSJ Plaintiff's Answers to Kenny Lin's Second Set of Interrogatories.

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Moreover, the court's decision was largely based off the deposition testimony of Mr. Miao which does not carry any issues of authentication. As discussed above, Mr. Miao had every opportunity to review his testimony and correct any statements in his deposition transcript at the time of his deposition and shortly thereafter, but he chose not to. Only after the MSJ was granted did Plaintiff scramble to produce the competing affidavit contradicting the admissions made by Mr. Miao. As such, any lack of authentication prior to the MSJ being granted is harmless error that is cured by the Affidavit of Kenny Lin attached as **Exhibit B**.

Ε. No Evidence in Record to Establish Plaintiff's Claims

The Motion should be denied because Plaintiffs have failed to provide any evidence to illustrate that Defendants knew of any alleged defects or conditions in the Property that had to be disclosed. The lack of evidence is fatal to Plaintiff's claims because discovery has no closed and Plaintiff cannot bring any new evidence or discovery to try and support its claims. Additionally, Plaintiff, through Mr. Miao, expressly admitted that he should have followed up on the known disclosed issues. As such, any failure to do so is not the fault of Defendants, but unequivocally Plaintiff's fault. Moreover, it is undisputed that all alleged defects were open and obvious conditions did not require disclosure by Defendants.

Here, the Motion is nothing more than an attempt to subvert the discovery deadline and introduce new evidence that is in direct contradiction to the evidence already in the record. Specifically, Mr. Miao's April 16, 2021 Affidavit is clearly a deleterious attempt by Plaintiff to rewrite the facts of this case and muddy the waters to manifest an issue of fact that does not actually exist. Ultimately, the discovery in this matter has closed and all evidence in record, including the admissions of facts contained in Mr. Miao's affidavit, established that there was no basis for Plaintiff's claims to survive summary judgment.

F. Rule 11 Sanctions are Warranted

The Motion should be subject to Rule 11 sanctions for lack of any factual or legal merit. Under Rule 11, Plaintiff and its attorney have a duty to ensure: (1) "[the Motion] is not being presented for any improper purpose, such as to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation;" and, (2) "the factual contentions have evidentiary support or, if

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As discussed at length above, the primary argument of the Motion is centered around the April 16, 2021 Affidavit of Mr. Miao, proffered for the sole purpose of refuting and contradicting Mr. Miao's own previous testimony to mislead the court. This type of conduct is clearly inappropriate. Notably, Mr. Miao had already reviewed his deposition testimony and made corrections to his deposition transcript prior to signing the newly created affidavit that the Motion is based on. See Ex. A. The correction sheet made only minor changes, none of which were substantive, nor did they amount to the sweeping changes to the testimony that is shown in the April 16, 2021 Affidavit. Id. This illustrates the lack of candor on behalf of Plaintiff in bringing the affidavit and the Motion.

Moreover, based on the contradictory nature of the April 16 Affidavit to Mr. Miao's deposition testimony, one or the other contains false statements of fact. As such, it is obvious that Mr. Miao has lied either in his deposition while under oath, or in his affidavit that was signed under oath and penalty of perjury. Considering the self-serving nature of the affidavit and the Motion's failure to address the deposition testimony in the Motion, it is likely that the affidavit and Motion contain deliberately false and misleading information, which is subject to sanctions under Rule 11.

G. Attorneys' Fees Award should Issue in Full

Following the Order, Defendants' counsel was directed to provide an affidavit in support of the attorneys' fees requested in light of the Order's decision to grant fees and costs. See Order at p. 41 ("Defendants may file an affidavit in support of requested attorneys' fees and costs within 10 days of the entry of Order."). Here, Defendants' counsel filed its Affidavit in Support of Attorneys' Fees on April 6, 2021. As of the filing of this Opposition, Plaintiff has yet to file and objection, opposition, or any type of response to the Affidavit in Support of Attorneys' Fees. It has been over 20 days since the filing of the Affidavit in Support of Attorneys' Fees has been filed, illustrating that the deadline to object to the Affidavit has expired and that the fees should issue in full as requested in the Affidavit.

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III. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Defendants respectfully request that the Motion be denied in its entirety for both procedural and factual concerns.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2021.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b) and NEFCR 9, I hereby certify that I am an employee or
MICHAEL B. LEE, and that on the 30th day of April, 2021, the foregoing DEFENDANTS
OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION was served via
the Court's electronic filing and/or service system and/or via facsimile and/or U.S. Mail first
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EXHIBIT A

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EXHIBIT B

DECLARATION OF KENNY LIN

KENNY LIN, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he has personal knowledge and is competent to testify to the facts below. The facts stated herein are true to the best of my own personal knowledge, except for those facts stated upon information and belief, and as to those facts, I believe them to be true.

- I have personal knowledge of the events related to WLAB Investment, LLC's ("Plaintiff") case against Defendants TKNR INC. ("TKNR"), CHI ON WONG ("WONG"), KENNY ZHONG LIN ("LIN"), LIWE HELEN CHEN ("CHEN"), YAN QIU ZHANG ("ZHANG"), INVESTPRO LLC ("INVESTPRO"), MAN CHAU CHENG ("CHENG"), JOYCE A. NICKRANDT ("NICKRANDT"), INVESTPRO INVESTMENTS, LLC ("Investments"), and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Defendants") related to the purchase of 2132 Houston Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89104 ("Property")
- 2. I personally reviewed the Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the alternative, Partial Summary Judgment ("MSJ") including the exhibits attached thereto.
- 3. Exhibit A to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the MLS Listing for the Property.
- Exhibit B to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the Residential Purchase Agreement for the Property.
- 5. Exhibit C to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the Seller's Disclosures for the sale of the Property.
- 6. Exhibit D to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the September 5, 2017 Email Chain between Helen Chen and Frank Miao.
- 7. Exhibit E to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the September 5, 2017 Cancellation Addendum.
- Exhibit F to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the second Residential Purchase Agreement for the Property, including all addendums, dated September 5, 2017.
 - 9. Exhibit G to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of Defendant's Expert Report.

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- 10. Exhibit H to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the Air Team Invoice.
- Exhibit I to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of my declaration in support of the MSJ.
- Exhibit J to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of a permit search conducted online for the Property.
- 13. Exhibit K to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the Limited Opposition to Defendants' Motion to File Amended Answer, Counterclaim and Third-Party Claim filed with the court on November 16, 2020.
- 14. Exhibit L to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of the Order granting Defendants' Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer, Counterclaim and Third-Party Claim filed on December 2, 2020.
- 15. Exhibit M to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff's Calculation of Damages.
- 16. Exhibit N to the MSJ is a true and correct copy of Plaintiff's Answers to Kenny Lin's Second Set of Interrogatories.
- 17. I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

FURTHER DECLARANT SAYETH NAUGHT DATED this 29th day of April, 2021.

KENNY LIN

Steven D. Grierson CLERK OF THE COURT 1 REM Steven L. Day, Esq. 2 Nevada Bar No. 3708 DAY & NANCE 3 1060 Wigwam Parkway Henderson, NV 89074 4 Tel. (702) 309-3333 Fax (702) 309-1085 5 sday@daynance.com 6 Attorneys for Plaintiff 7 DISTRICT COURT 8 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 9 10 WLABINVESTMENT, LLC, Case No: A-18-785917-C Dept No: 14 11 Plaintiff, ٧. 12 13 TKNR, INC., a California Corporation, and PLAINTIFF'S REPLY TO CHI ON WONG aka CHI KUEN WONG, an **DEFENDANTS' OPPOSITION TO** 14 individual, and KENNY ZHONG LIN, aka KEN MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION ZHONG LIN aka KENNETH ZHONG LIN aka 15 WHONG K. LIN aka CHONG KENNY LIN aka ZHONG LIN, an individual, and LIWE HELEN 16 CHEN aka HELEN CHEN, an individual and Hearing Date: May 18, 2021 Hearing Time: 10:00 a.m. 17 YAN QIU ZHANG, an individual and INVESTPRO LLC dba INVESTPRO REALTY, a 18 Nevada Limited Liability Company, and MAN CHAU CHENG, an individual, and JOYCE A. 19 NICKRANDT, an individual, and INVESTPRO INVESTMENTS LLC, a Nevada Limited 20 Liability Company, and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability 21 Company and JOYCE A. NICKDRANDT, an 22 individual and does 1 through 15 and roe corporation I-XXX, 23 Defendants. 24 25 26 COMES NOW Plaintiff, by and through his attorneys, Day & Nance, and submits the 27

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following Reply to Defendants' Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration.

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ARGUMENT

A. Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration was timely as it was filed within 10 days of Notice of Entry of Amended Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment.

Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. (*See* Defendants' Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration, p. 2, ll. 9-12). However, as Defendants have conveniently omitted and as the Court is aware, an Amended Order was filed with Notice of Entry of Order on April 8th. Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration was filed April 16th, well within the time allotted in EDCR § 2.24(b). It is the Amended Order that Plaintiff is asking this Court to reconsider and from which Plaintiff has filed its appeal.

- B. As illustrated in Defendants' opposition, there are numerous issues of fact which should preclude the granting of summary judgment in this case.
- 1. **Defendants'** contend that Plaintiff waived the due diligence condition by failing to inspect the subject property. However, as Plaintiff has pointed out, this property was inspected on multiple occasions. The property was inspected prior to Ms. Zhu signing the Purchase Agreement.
 - Q. Do you recall if this was the same day that you viewed the property on Zillow?
 - A. I don't know exactly same day or maybe couple of days later I saw property. Anyway, I set up appointment with the Kenny Lin, then we went together in the one afternoon whole afternoon with Kenny Lin. I think the August 10th.

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- Q. So you go. He meets you at the property; is that fair?
- A. Right, right, right.
- Q. Okay. Then tell me what happened.

- A. Then I just go over the property all of detail, surrounding area. I just check the other building. Then this at that time, there's one tenant there. So other two --
- Q. So you had the ability to walk through the property with Kenny Lin?
- A. Right, right.
- Q. Okay. Like, do you recall all the areas that you looked at?
- A. I looked at a lot of things. For example, like, the I point out some drywall is not finished; right? And the some of the smoke alarm is not is missing and which is law required to put in for smoke alarm. Then no carbon monoxide alarm, so I ask them to put in. Then in the kitchen, lot of electrical, the outlet is not a GFCI outlet, so I tell them I said, you need to change this GFCI. Right now this outlet is not meet code. You probably have problem. Then the tenant get electrocuted somehow in the one area. So I –
- Q. What else did you inspect.
- A. Then I inspected I found out there's a lot of cabinets is new, so I said, Well, you got all this new. They said, yeah, we just did the renovation for the kitchen cabinet and the fixtures on the vanity are new. Then he also point out you see all the shower, the ceramic tile is new shower. Bathtub is new tile, all that one. He said he did all new. Then –
- Q. Okay.
- A. So I check that washer/dryer.
- Q. Was there a sink that was clogged during the time you did your inspection?
- A. No. No, no clog.
- Q. So there was never a clogged sink issue at all?
- A. I was inspect new tenant. Only one tenant. Unit A have people. Other units, B and C, at that time I think is vacant. Then I opened the faucet, the water go through. Okay. then checked the ceiling actually, I mention to the Kenny Lin I saw the ceiling, one whole ceiling is popcorn ceiling in Unit C. I said, Well, you know, this popcorn ceiling have issue if we have asbestos. They said, no, no, no, no problem because I said, this is older house. Then he said, if you don't touch that one, it's okay.

(See Frank Miao deposition, p. 157, II. 11-25; p. 158-160 attached hereto as Exhibit "1").

Mr. Miao also inspected the home several other times during the due diligence period. (*See* Exhibit "1", p. 163). Mr. Miao spoke with the tenant about his unit. (Exhibit "1", p. 163). He inspected all structures and did recall seeing only a few cracks. (Exhibit "1", p. 166). He checked the electrical system, plumbing, heating/air conditioning and the roof. (Exhibit "1", pp. 166-168). As stated, several items that needed repair were pointed out to Mr. Lin including the proper installation of GFCI outlets and combustible gas and CO detectors. (*See* Miao affidavit, ¶ 3, attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration). Mr. Miao inspected the property with Mr. Lin on August 10, 2017. (*See* Miao affidavit, ¶ 3). The Purchase Agreement, which was prepared beforehand by Kenny Lin and Le Wei Chen of InvestPro, was e-signed on August 11, 2017, by Ms. Zhu. (*See* Miao affidavit, ¶ 3). Due diligence was not waived as the property had already been inspected. **Again, Plaintiff's** issue with Defendants is not what was discoverable during the inspection but what was hidden by Defendants which they had an obligation to disclose.

Defendants seem to rely upon their belief that due diligence was waived and the property was not inspected. While this is not true, whether or not due diligence was waived is not the entire issue in this case. Even if Plaintiff had waived due diligence, this does not alleviate Defendants of their responsibility to disclose conditions in the property of which they are aware. NRS 113.130.

2. **Defendants'** contend that Seller disclosed all known conditions with the property. By way of example, they point out that they disclosed that three air conditioning units were installed within three months of the sale. (*See* **Defendants' Opposition to Motion** for Reconsideration, p. 4, II. 2-5). However, what Defendants failed to disclose was that proper insulated air conditioning ducting had not been installed and the AC electrical wiring had been piggybacked on an electrical circuit in one of the units so that the electrical fuse kept failing. (*See* Miao affidavit, ¶ 7). In an attempt to insulate them from any issues with

the property, Defendants add that the "owner never resided in the property and never visited the property." However, what Mr. Lin further failed to disclose to Mr. Miao or Ms. Zhu is that the "owner" was actually a group of investors put together by Mr. Lin as part of a "flipping fund." Mr. Lin further failed to disclose that he had an interest in the property as well as he was to receive a percentage of the profit from the sale. Suggesting that the "seller" never visited the property in the Purchase Agreement is an intentional misrepresentation as it was "seller" who allegedly renovated the property prior to sale and it was the "seller" who covered up issues with the property that should have been disclosed to the buyer.

- 3. On page 5, lines 24-26, Defendants assert that Plaintiff had access to inspect the entire property and conduct non-invasive, non-destructive inspections. Defendants seem to rest their case on what would have been and what was discoverable during Mr. Miao's inspection of the property. However, again as Plaintiff points out, it is what was not discoverable during the non-destructive inspection that is at issue. The following are some of the items of which Defendants were aware which were not discoverable during Mr. Miao's non-destructive, non-invasive inspection of the property.
- a. The piggybacked AC wiring which was only discoverable after the electrical panel was pulled from the wall. The tenant had complained that the fuse kept blowing. Mr. Miao hired an electrical contractor who learned of the piggybacked wiring when attempting to resolve the electrical issue. The wiring which was a code violation was completed by seller's handyman. When the tenant complained to InvestPro, the property manager, the handyman's fix was to disconnect other circuits to the fuse which resulted in the tenant not being able to use all outlets. (See Miao affidavit, ¶ 7). When the licensed electrician was hired by Mr. Miao to fix the problem, it was discovered that the electrical panel did not have sufficient electrical wattage to power the AC units. (See Miao affidavit, ¶ 7). None of this was disclosed by sellers. After discovering the electrical issue and what it

would cost to fix the problem, Mr. Miao approached Mr. Linn requesting that Linn and InvestPro pay \$10,000.00 to fix the problem. (See Miao affidavit, ¶ 16(mm)).

- b. Sellers had vented high moisture dryer exhaust to the attic instead of outside the building as was required by law. Sellers had also used the uninsulated swamp cooler ducting for the AC units installed. The combination of these two unlawful acts resulted in water leaking through the unit C ceiling from condensation in the attic. Sellers failure to install insulated ducting along with the dryer venting into the attic was not discovered until the ceiling was opened up in an effort to finding the source of the water leak. (See Miao affidavit, ¶8). Sellers failure to properly vent the dryers and install insulated ducting with the installation of the AC units was not disclosed to Plaintiff.
- c. Sellers had installed laminate and ceramic flooring throughout the units. In doing so, Sellers covered up significant foundation issues with the building. After Plaintiff's purchase of the triplex, the flooring in the units began buckling. During February and March of 2021, Mr. Miao pulled up the flooring in an attempt to determine the cause of the buckling. (See Miao affidavit, ¶ 9). What he discovered were significant foundation issues with the building which Sellers had attempted to hide by installing new flooring throughout the building. (See photographs attached as Exhibit "3" to Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration). The severe foundation issues explained the cracking that began appearing in the walls after the purchase of the property. Sellers/Defendants had covered up the cracking during the "renovation" but the cracks again appeared over time because of the issues with the foundation. (See Miao affidavit, ¶ 9). Sellers/Defendants failed to disclose the issues with the foundation to the Buyer/Plaintiff.
- d. As early as May or June of 2020, the tenants in units B and C had complained of drainage issues. Nicholas Quioz, the tenant in Unit A, explained to Mr. Miao that he had reported to InvestPro that sewage water had overflowed into his unit. InvestPro

had spent weeks trying to open the sewer line. The handyman report to Mr. Quioz that the sewer line was broken. The next-door neighbor reported to Mr. Miao that when he was a tenant of the building during 2016 or 2017, the floor to his unit had buckled and sewage had backed up. When InvestPro failed to fix the problem, he moved out. (*See* Miao affidavit, ¶ 10). Sellers/Defendants failed to disclose the broken sewer line to the Buyer/Plaintiff.

On page 7, lines 13-14, Defendants suggest that the defects could have been discovered at the time of the original purchase. As stated, Plaintiff suggests and argues otherwise. Whether or not the stated defects could have been discovered during **Mr. Miao's** inspections of the subject property is an issue of fact.

Defendants point to Mr. Miao's deposition testimony that the conditions identified by Defendants' expert were "open and obvious." Plaintiff acknowledges that the conditions observed by Mr. Opfer were "open and obvious" but contends that those conditions were not "open and obvious" or present at the time of Mr. Miao's inspection during August of 2017.

Defendants argue that permits were not required for the cosmetic work completed by Sellers' handyman. (Defendants' Opposition, p. 8, ll. 4-10). While this may be true, Plaintiff contends that permits were required when the electrical wiring and plumbing were changed when the AC units were originally installed by Sellers. These changes should have been performed by a licensed electrician and plumber.

Defendants again refer to Mr. Miao's deposition testimony wherein Mr. Miao admits that third parties could have damaged the property. (Defendants' Opposition, p. 8, ll. 21-25). However, Plaintiff submits that third parties did not cause the improper installation of dryer venting, air conditioning ducting, air conditioning electrical wiring nor did they cause the sewer line to fail or the present condition of the foundation.

Defendants argue that there is no evidence suggesting that Defendants knew about the conditions of the property. (Defendants' Opposition, p. 8, ll. 27-28). Mr. Lin reported to

Mr. Miao that the entire property had been renovated. Walls had been painted and plastered. New flooring had been laid throughout all units. Dryer venting had been installed. AC units had been installed which had replaced swamp coolers. There is an invoice from the handyman for patching the floor; "remove 2 rooms laminate and level concrete. (DEF 23). Tenants had complained to InvestPro years prior about the drainage problems and sewage back-up. Defendants' handyman had investigated and concluded that the sewer line was broken. Defendants were more than aware of the condition of the property. The extent of Defendants' knowledge of the condition of the property prior to the sale to Plaintiff is an issue of fact.

Defendants are critical of Plaintiff's expert and the expert's cost of repair. The cost of repair is again an issue of fact for a jury to decide.

Defendants refer to Plaintiff's offer to settle the matter for \$10,000.00 early on after the purchase of the property as an example of bad faith. What Defendants failed to tell the Court is that the \$10,000.00 offer was after Mr. Miao discovered the problem with the electrical wiring. The \$10,000.00 offer was to pay an electrician to fix the electrical wiring installed by Defendants. Plaintiff was not aware at the time of the numerous other issues with the building. (See Miao affidavit, ¶16(mm)).

Defendants contend that Sellers disclosed issues with, among other things, the heating and cooling systems. (Defendants' Opposition, p. 10, ll. 26-28). However, a close examination of Sellers' disclosure would suggest otherwise. Specifically, Defendants had checked "no" to, among other things, structural defects, moisture condition and/or water damage, modifications made without required permits, foundation "sliding, settling, movement, upheaval or earth stability problems," drainage issues or environmental hazards. The sum total of Defendants' disclosure concerning the air conditioning units was "3 units has brand new AC installed within 3 months. . . . AC units are installed by licensed

Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration). There is nothing in this disclosure about the failure to properly duct the AC units. There is nothing in this disclosure stating that the electrical wiring was piggybacked onto an electrical circuit that did not have sufficient electrical wattage to power the installed unit. An inspector would have been required to pull the electrical paneling off the wall at the time of inspection to find the faulty electrical wiring.

Defendants seem to rest their defense on their belief that a professional inspection would have uncovered the many issues with this building that had been covered up by Defendants. Defendants suggest that a professional inspection would have discovered the condition of the foundation that had been covered up with laminate and ceramic flooring. Defendants contend that a professional inspection would have discovered the faulty AC wiring in the wall, would have uncovered the fact that the sewer line was broken, would have revealed that the AC was installed with uninsulated ducting, would have found cracks in the walls that had been covered with plaster, would have discovered that Defendants had vented dryer exhaust into the attic, etc. What a professional inspection would have uncovered versus what Mr. Miao found during his inspection is also an issue of fact for a jury to decide. What Defendants knew about the building, what Defendants were obligated to disclose, what a professional inspection would have revealed versus what Mr. Miao found during his inspection are all issues of fact.

Defendants characterize Mr. Miao's affidavit as "self-serving testimony." Plaintiff is not sure exactly what is meant by this and would submit that any testimony offered by Mr. Miao is "self-serving" from the standpoint of supporting Plaintiff's case. Mr. Miao's affidavit is not "deleterious" as Defendants suggest but is offered simply to show that numerous factual issues exist in the case. Plaintiff simply submits that there were significant issues with the subject property later discovered by Plaintiff and that Defendants were aware of

these issues and had an obligation to disclose to Plaintiff before Plaintiff purchased the property. Plaintiff further submits that there is nothing in Mr. Miao's affidavit which contradicts his deposition testimony.

Defendants again ask for Rule 11 sanctions. Apparently, it is the opinion of Defendants that any time an attorney advocates for Plaintiff in this case, Defendants are entitled to Rule 11 sanctions. Counsel for Plaintiff has been litigating in the Nevada Eighth Judicial District and in other jurisdictions around the country for over 32 years and has never been the subject of Rule 11 sanctions nor has he previously dealt with opposing counsel that continually asks for Rule 11 sanctions as defense counsel has done in this case. (See affidavit of Steven L. Day, Esq., attached hereto as Exhibit "2"). The fact that counsel for the Defendants asks for Rule 11 sanctions in response to counsel advocating for the Plaintiff in Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration is offensive and should be ignored by the Court.

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff respectfully asks this Court to reconsider the granting of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. Plaintiff and counsel further ask the Court to reconsider its Rule 11 sanctions order.

DATED this 11th day of May, 2021.

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EXHIBIT "1"

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 4 WLAB INVESTMENT, LLC,
          Plaintiff,
                                )CASE NO.: A-18-785917-C
          vs.
                                ) DEPT NO.: 14
 7 TKNR INC., a California
  Corporation, and CHI ON WONG)
 8 aka CHI KUEN WONG, an
  individual, and KENNY ZHONG )
 9 LIN, aka KEN ZHONG LIN aka
  KENNETH ZHONG LIN aka WHONG
10 K. LIN aka CHING KENNY LIN
  aka ZHONG LIN, an
11 individual, and LIWE HELEN
  CHEN aka HELEN CHEN, an
12 individual and YAN QIU
   ZHANG, an individual, and
13 INVESTPRO LLC dba INVESTPRO
  REALTY, a Nevada Limited
14 Liability Company, and MAN
  CHAU CHENG, an individual,
15 and JOYCE A. NICKRANDT, an
   individual, and INVESTPRO
16 INVESTMENTS LLC, a Nevada
  Limited Liability Company,
17 and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC, a)
  Nevada Limited Liability
18 Company, and JOYCE A.
  NICKRANDT, an individual and)
19 Does 1 through 15 and Roe
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          Defendants.
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   Job Number. 697915
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                DEPOSITION OF FRANK MIAO
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                                                          15 was examined and testified as follows:
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                                                          18 BY MR. LEE:
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                                                                 Q. Good morning, sir. Thank you for
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                                                          20 appearing for your deposition today. You're
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                                                          21 appearing as the 30(b)(6) or the person most
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                                                          22 knowledgable for this deposition; is that correct?
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                                                                 Α.
                                                                      Yes.
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                                                                      And you understand what that term means?
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             I think I saw you going through the
                                                                       Did you have an audible response?
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                                                                       MADAM REPORTER: No.
 2 deposition exhibits. The top of the pile should
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 3 have been the 30(b)(6) notice.
                                                           3 BY MR. LEE:
             Do you see that?
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                                                                      You need to say "yes" or "no."
             30(b)(6)? I don't know what that -- what
        A.
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                                                                       Do you understand?
                                                                       THE WITNESS: What did he ask?
 6 document?
             MR. LEE: For the record, Helen Chen, the
                                                                      MADAM REPORTER: He's --
 8 defendant, has just joined us for the deposition.
                                                           8 BY MR. LEE:
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             THE WITNESS: I haven't read that one yet.
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                                                                      "Audible" means out loud.
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             MR. LEE: Ms. Court Reporter, can you help
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                                                                      Can you speak a little slowly? Because if
                                                          11 you speak too quick, I -- I cannot catch up.
11 him?
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                                                                      Okay. So I just -- I'll go over the rules
             MADAM REPORTER: Yes. Let's go off the
13 record.
                                                          13 of the deposition with you after I just do this PMK
         (A discussion was held of the record.)
                                                          14 notice; okay?
15 BY MR. LEE:
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                                                                       Okay. What's a "PMK" mean?
        Q. We're back on the record. It appears the
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                                                                       "PMK" means person most knowledgable.
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17 exhibits didn't get printed, but we'll go ahead and
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                                                                      Oh, okay. Okay. Yes.
                                                                 Α.
18 wait for them to get printed.
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             During the interim, I'll just share my
                                                          19 most knowledgable?
20 screen so you can see what the exhibits are; okay?
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                                                                       Yeah, yeah, yeah.
            Okay.
                                                                      Okay. So for the record, what I'm doing
        Α.
                                                          22 is showing you what will eventually be proposed
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        Q.
             Then I'll go over the rules of the
23 deposition. You're doing a good job right now. I
                                                          23 Exhibit 1 to the deposition, which is the notice of
24 just want to get this PMK notice out of the way;
                                                          24 deposition of the person most knowledgable for WLAB
25 okay?
                                                          25 Investments, LLC.
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Page 154 Page 155 1 year, definitely we have cash to buy that. What? Α. Q. Okay. So it's very important for you, you 2 ٥. Did you read this document with your wife 3 understood you weren't going to make the close of 3 or did she do this on her own? 4 escrow, but you wanted to preserve your earnest I think the docs sign she do on her own. 5 money deposit in the purchase of this property for No, no, no. Did you read this with your 6 the tax purposes? 6 wife or did you read it independently or did she A. Yeah. Yes, yes. 7 read it by herself? Who read this document? Okay. So part of this paragraph says that This document is prepared by the Helen Α. 9 the buyer's obligation is conditioned on the buyer's 9 Chen. 10 due diligence as defined in Section 7A below; 10 Okay. So you used DocuSign before; 11 correct? 11 correct? 12 A. Yeah. Which page? 12 A. Right. So she signed in San Diego. I was 13 in Vegas -- at that time I was not in the Vegas. I 13 It's Item 7. There's, like, a line 24 14 that's right next to it. 14 was in Barstow. 15 A. Yeah. 15 Q. Okay. So my question is: When your wife 16 16 was using DocuSign to read this document, right, 0. Yeah. 17 So then your wife, I presume, used 17 like, do you know if she actually was reading it? 18 DocuSign --Α. I think so. She read that. 19 Okay. Did you read the document as well? 19 A. 20 -- which is why it's her initials that are 20 Α. I think so. 21 computer print; right? Okay. Did you guys read it together at A. Yes, yes, yeah. She's in San Diego so she 22 any point in time? 23 can't --I don't think so. 23 Α. 24 Q. Did you read this document with your wife 24 Q. No. 25 at any time? 25 Did you guys discuss the document? Page 157 Page 156 No. I don't recall date. But I set 1 Α. No. 2 2 appointment, I think, is August 10th. 0. No. Okay. So, like, your wife's impressions Where did you find the property? Did you 4 would be something I would have to ask her about 4 find it on Zillow? 5 individually? A. Yes. Α. That's fine, yeah. Q. Okay. And then when you found it on You understand that the obligations 7 Zillow, then what did you do? 8 related to the buyer's due diligence to be done in Then the phone number on the listing 9 14 days of acceptance, though; correct? 9 agent, right, so I called the listing agent, set up 10 A. Yes. 10 appointment. Then go to see the property. Do you recall if this was the same day 11 And that's the reason why you are the Q. Q. 12 person who generally does the inspection of a 12 that you viewed the property on Zillow? 13 property? I don't know exactly same day or maybe 14 Yeah. We do the -- I said that --14 couple of days later I saw property. Anyway, I set Α. 15 actually, my wife asked her -- usually I tell them, 15 up appointment with the Kenny Lin, then we went to 16 I did the inspection. Because before, for the 16 together in the one afternoon -- whole afternoon 17 purchase agreement, I go there personally to inspect 17 with Kenny Lin. I think the August 10th. 18 the property and do the very detailed inspection. Okay. So on August 10th, you set up an 19 Then after that, I went to the property 19 appointment with Kenny. Do you remember the time of 20 several times too to the tenant and also other 20 day that was? 21 things. Check the --21 Α. I think is afternoon. 22 22 Q. Let's do it this way. Afternoon. 23 23 So you go. He meets you at the property; Α. Okav. On -- when did you find the property? Do 24 is that fair? 25 you recall what date? 25 Right, right, right.

- Q. Okay. Then tell me what happened.
- 2 A. Then I just go over the property all of
- 3 detail, surrounding area. I just check the other
- 4 building. Then this -- at that time, there's one
- 5 tenant there. So other two --
- 6 Q. So you had -- let me pause you.
- 7 So you had the ability to walk the

8 property with Kenny Lin?

- 9 A. Right, right.
- 10 Q. Okay. Like, do you recall all the areas
- 11 that you looked at?
- 12 A. Yeah. Actually, I walked the Unit B, C.
- 13 I go to there too. Now, Unit --
- 14 $\,$ Q. So when you walked through them, what did
- 15 you look at?
- 16 A. I looked at a lot of things. For example,
- 17 like, the -- I point out some drywall is not
- 18 finished; right? And the -- some of smoke alarm is
- 19 not -- is missing and -- which is law required to
- 20 put in for smoke alarm. Then no carbon monoxide
- 21 alarm, so I ask them to put in.
- 22 Then in the kitchen, lot of electrical,
- 23 the outlet is not a GFCI outlet, so I tell them, I
- 24 said, You need to change this GFCI. Right now this
- 25 outlet is not meet code. You probably have problem.
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- 1 ceiling, one whole ceiling is popcorn ceiling in
- 2 Unit C. I said, Well, you know, this popcorn
- 3 ceiling have issue if we have asbestos. They said,
- 4 No, no, no, no problem because -- I said, This is
- 5 older house. Then he said, If you don't touch that
- 6 one, it's okay.
- 7 Q. So you noticed that the property had
- 8 popcorn ceiling. What were you concerned about,
- 9 potentially asbestos?
- 10 A. Yeah, because I have experience when I
- 11 build my house in Arcadia, so I told them, If we got
- 12 popcorn ceiling there, then they may have asbestos.
- 13 Then they said, If you don't expose and disturb
- 14 that, that's okay. I said, Okay. I know that is
- 15 some people say that way too. So I just said --
- 16 ask, We don't disturbing that one, it's okay.
- 17 Q. But although you had this concern about 18 potential asbestos, did you do an inspection for
- 19 asbestos?
- 20 A. I didn't do the inspection, but I just
- 21 said -- he tell me if we're not disturbing that one,
- 22 it's not issue, so I just -- I said -- because he
- 23 already rental to tenant, so what's the point for $\ensuremath{\text{me}}$
- 24 to argue that.

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Q. So Mr. Lin, did he ever tell you to get an

- 1 Then the tenant get electrocuted somehow in the one
- 2 area. So I --
- 3 Q. What else did you inspect?
- A. Then I inspected -- I found out there's a
- 5 lot of cabinets is new, so I said, Well, you got all
- 6 this new. They said, Yeah, we just did the
- 7 renovation for the kitchen cabinet and the fixtures
- 8 on the vanity are new. Then he also point out you
- 9 see all the shower, the ceramic tile is new shower.
- 10 Bathtub is new tile, all that one. He said he did 11 all new.
- 12 Then --
- 13 Q. Okay.
 - A. So I check that washer/dryer.
- Q. Was there a sink that was clogged during
- 16 the time you did your inspection?
 - A. No. No, no clog.
- 18 Q. So there was never a clogged sink issue at
- 19 all?
- 20 A. I was inspect new tenant. Only one
- 21 tenant. Unit A have people. Other units, B and C,
- 22 at that time I think is vacant. Then I opened the
- 23 faucet, the water go through.
- Okay. Then checked the ceiling --
- 25 actually, I mention to the Kenny Lin I saw the

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- 1 inspection done on the property?
- A. I was -- Lin's thinking, sir. I was doing
- 3 the inspection there.
- 4 Q. But did he tell you you needed to get a 5 professional inspection done?
- A. I don't think so. Because after that,
- 7 after the -- Lin assigned this property to the Helen
- 8 Chen. Helen Chen become the contact. After that, I
- 9 don't talk to the Lin. Mostly it's Helen Chen with
- 10 us to communicate with each other.
- 11 Q. So when you say you don't think so, is it
- 12 possible that Mr. Lin told you to get a professional
- 13 inspection done on or about August --
- 14 A. I don't think so. I don't think it's
- 15 possible because usually we have email
- 16 communication; right? And I don't think we receive
- 17 the Mr. Lin email said we need to do the
- 18 professional inspection.
- 19 Q. So are you also saying that Ms. Chen never 20 told you to do a professional inspection?
- 21 A. I don't know exactly because most time
- 22 she's the communicator with my wife.
- Q. So it's possible that she told your wife

24 or you that you need to get a professional

25 inspection done?

- Page 162 $\,$ A. Not that we -- we noticed that this is
- 2 multi-family house. We don't need to do the
- 3 professional inspection. Even they ask us, This
- 4 is -- because this is dealing with the tenant --
- 5 with the owner or seller issue.
- 6 Q. Okay. So my question was: Was it
- 7 possible that Ms. Chen had told either you or your
- 8 wife that you needed to get a professional
- 9 inspection done?
- 10 A. Maybe. Maybe. I don't know. I just said
- 11 I cannot say on behalf of my wife because my wife,
- 12 she maybe received email from Chen.
- 13 Q. Okay. And as far as you know, do you
- 14 recall or not if she told you that you needed to get
- 15 a professional inspection done?
- 16 A. I don't think that I recall the memory on
- 17 that because I always tell my wife, I said, We
- 18 already done the inspection. That's the reason we
- 19 decide to buy this property; right?
- 20 Q. So if I break it down, you don't remember
- 21 if that happened; is that fair?
- 22 A. I don't remember, yes.
- 23 Q. Okay. And then the second thing is you
- 24 told your wife that you had already done the
- 25 inspection so you didn't need a professional

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- $\boldsymbol{1}$ very good, and that's the reason he got $\boldsymbol{m}\boldsymbol{y}$ phone
- 2 number.
- 3 Q. Okay. Do you remember the name of this 4 tenant?
- 5 A. Yeah, Nicholas. He's the guy that's still
- 6 living there, Unit A. I give his phone number. I
- 7 said, Well, if we go to buy this property, $\ensuremath{\text{I'm}}$ the
- 8 new owner, so I gave him his phone number.
- 9 Q. Okay. If we go back to Exhibit B, page
- 10 28, 7A, Property Inspection/Conditions, it says,
- 11 "During the due diligence period, buyer shall take $\,$
- 12 the actions buyer deems necessary to determine
- 13 whether the property is dissatisfactory to the
- 14 buyer." It goes on, but I'm going to stop there.
- 15 Based on what you've described, you
- 16 believe that you took the actions necessary to
- 17 determine if a property was satisfactory to you,
- 18 WLAB, to purchase it?
- 19 A. Yes. Based on -- we bought this -- we go
- 20 to the inspection, then we also talk to the tenant,
- 21 so we thinking this is investment property; right?
- 22 So financial it's looking at the rent, it's
- 23 reasonable, it's not very high compared with the
- 24 surrounding area. Then also financially, it's good.
- 25 Then I take a look at the -- everything

- 1 inspection?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. So if we go back to the residential
- 4 purchase agreement, which is Exhibit 2, it was
- 5 conditioned originally on you having the ability to
- 6 complete your due diligence. So is it your
- 7 understanding that when you did your inspection on
- 8 August 10th, 2017, that that was your -- you doing
- 9 your due diligence?
- 10 A. Yes, yeah. That is on the understanding
- 11 we do the due diligence.
- 12 In addition to the initial inspection in
- 13 August 10th, I went to the site a couple of times.
- 14 I think another two times. Then take a look at the
- 15 surrounding environment, talk to the tenant Unit 1
- 16 also.
- 17 Q. And this is some -- like, can you estimate
- 18 the time frame when you talked to the tenants?
 - A. Just between the -- we purchase that one
- 20 in the 30 days, the due diligence period. I went to 21 there.
- 22 Q. Do you recall what those -- what you
- 23 learned during those conversations?
- A. No. At that time, the tenant is very
- 25 happy. He said that, Yeah, I like this. We living
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- 1 outside. Good. So I said, Fine. That's satisfied.
- 2 That's the reason I command my wife to sign the
- 3 purchase agreement.
- 4 Q. So with the rent that you described, did
- 5 you receive rent rolls about what the current rental
- 6 rates were for the property --
- 7 A. At that time only one tenant.
- 8 Q. One tenant.
- 9 But around that time, you already received
- 10 all the lease agreements and everything; correct?
- 11 A. I didn't receive leasing agreement until I
- 12 purchase it.
- 13 Q. Okay. So you did receive the lease
- 14 agreements that were for the property?
- 15 A. Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. After that, yeah.
- 16 Q. Okay. So if we keep reading on 7A, it
- 17 says -- line 36 on the left-hand side. "During such
- 18 period, buyer shall have the right to conduct
- 19 noninvasive, nondestructive inspections of all
- 20 structural, roofing, mechanical, plumbing,
- 21 heating/air conditioning, water/well/septic,
- 22 pool/spa, survey square footage, and any other
- 23 property or systems through licensed and bonded
- 24 contractors or other qualified professionals."
- 25 Did I read that correctly?

A. No, I didn't. I just -- it's rental

Q. Yeah. But you had the right to inspect

21 I'm sure you didn't go out there with a tape

22 measure.

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24 property, you know.

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22 appropriate professionals?

24 time, a third time, I take a look at the

Okay. Did you consult with any other

25 neighborhood surrounding, talk to tenant and talk to

Actually, that is -- I went to the second

Page 338 1 of things report that we don't need to go to the	Page 339 1 opinions at the time of trial?
2 inside the building. It's wall cracking. It's	2 A. Yes, yes.
3 outside. You can see.	3 Q. Okay.
4 Q. Okay. So it's open and obvious for them?	4 MR. LEE: I don't have any further
5 A. Yeah. You can see always outside.	5 questions, so we can go off record and or
6 Q. So is there any information that you want	6 actually, I pass the witness. How about that?
7 to provide that I haven't asked you about?	7 MR. CHILDS: No questions.
8 A. No.	8 THE WITNESS: No questions.
9 Q. No? Okay.	9 MR. LEE: Okay. Then I'll release you
10 Would you like to revise or supplement any	10 subject to any disclosure of any additional
11 of your prior answers?	11 documents that we haven't received at this time, but
l	
	12 I thank you for your time today; okay?
13 the what's it called?	13 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
MR. CHILDS: Transcript.	14 MADAM REPORTER: Counsel, would you like a
15 THE WITNESS: Transcript, yeah.	15 copy of the transcript?
16 BY MR. LEE:	16 MR. CHILDS: Yeah, I think
17 Q. Okay. So I presume you guys are going to	17 THE WITNESS: Yeah, yeah.
18 buy a copy of the transcript. You'll need to let	18 MADAM REPORTER: Do you want electronic?
19 the court reporter know. If you are, they'll mail	19 MR. CHILDS: Sure.
20 you a copy. If not, you're going to have to go to	20 MR. LEE: I only want an e-copy with
21 the court reporter's office to review it; okay?	21 exhibits.
22 A. Yeah. We just buy one.	22 MADAM REPORTER: Okay.
Q. Okay. And then in terms of the areas that	23 (The deposition concluded at 5:26 p.m.)
24 we covered that was based on your experience or your	24
25 speculation, are you planning on offering those	25
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AFFIDAVIT OF STEVEN L. DAY

COUNTY OF CLARK)
) ss.
STATE OF NEVADA)

STEVEN L. DAY, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says:

- That affiant was prior counsel for the Plaintiff in Eighth Judicial District
 Court Case No. A-18-785917-C styled WLAB Investment, LLC v. TKNR, Inc., et al.
- 2. Affiant was retained by Plaintiff on March 10, 2021, one day prior to the hearing on Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. Affiant argued the opposition to Defendants' motion and has subsequently filed Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration.
- 3. That affiant takes the responsibility of advocating for his clients very seriously. In over 32 years of litigating in the Eighth Judicial District and in other jurisdictions around the United States and while advocating for literally thousands of clients, affiant has never been subjected to Rule 11 sanctions.
- 4. That affiant in this case in the preparation and filing of Plaintiff's Motion for Reconsideration believes that the arguments made on behalf of Plaintiff are presented with a proper purpose and not for the purpose of causing unnecessary delay or harassment.

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5. That is this case, affiant is simply advocating on behalf of his client.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

STEVEN L. DAY

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me

this 11th day of May, 2021,

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IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

W L A B INVESTMENT, LLC,

Plaintiff,

VS.

TKNR INC., a California Corporation, and CHI ON WONG aka CHI KUEN WONG, an individual, and KENNY ZHONG LIN, aka KEN ZHONG LIN aka KENNETH ZHONG

LIN aka WHONG K. LIN aka CHONG **ZHONG KENNY** LIN aka LIN, individual, and LIWE HELEN CHEN aka HELEN CHEN, an individual and YAN QIU ZHANG, an individual, and INVESTPRO

LLC dba INVESTPRO REALTY, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, and MAN CHAU CHENG, an individual, and JOYCE NICKRANDT, an individual, INVESTPRO **INVESTMENTS** LLC,

Nevada Limited Liability Company, and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company and JOYCE A. NICKRANDT, an individual and Does 1

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Defendants.

CASE NO.: A-18-785917-C

DEPT. NO.: XIV

ORDER GRANTING, IN PART, AND **DENYING, IN PART, PLAINTIFF'S** MOTION TO RECONSIDER AND

JUDGMENT AGAINST PLAINTIFF AND PREVIOUS COUNSEL

Date of Hearing: May 17, 2021 Time of Hearing: chambers

This matter being set for hearing before the Honorable Court on May 18, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., on W L A B INVESTMENT, LLC ("WLAB" or "Plaintiff"), Motion to Reconsider

24 ("Motion"), by and through its attorney of record, DAY & NANCE. Defendants' TKNR INC.,

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KENNETH ZHONG LIN aka WHONG K. LIN aka CHONG KENNY LIN aka ZHONG LIN,

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INVESTMENTS LLC, and INVESTPRO MANAGER LLC, (collectively, the "Defendants") filed an Opposition to the Motion and appeared by and through its counsel of record, MICHAEL B. LEE, P.C.

Pursuant to Administrative Order 21-03 and preceding administrative orders, this matter may be decided after a hearing, decided on the pleadings, or continued. In an effort to comply with Covid-19 restrictions, and to avoid the need for hearings when possible, this Court has determined that it was appropriate to decide this matter based on the pleadings submitted. Upon thorough review of the pleadings, the Court issues the following order:

- 1. Leave for reconsideration of motions is within this Court's discretion under EDCR 2.24.
- 2. A district court may reconsider a previously decided issue if substantially different evidence is subsequently introduced or the decision is clearly erroneous. <u>See Masonry</u> & Tile Contractors v. Jolley, Urga & Wirth, 113 Nev. 737, 741 (1997).
- 3. Plaintiff seeks reconsideration of this Court's April 7, 2021, Amended Order Granting Defendants Motion for Summary Judgment, or in the Alternative, Partial Summary Judgment ("Amended Order").
- 4. Although Defendants argue that Plaintiff's Notice of Appeal divests this Court of jurisdiction to rule on the Motion, this Court disagrees because the Amended Order was not final and appealable by virtue of Plaintiff filing the Motion. Therefore, the appeal was premature, and the court is not divested of jurisdiction on the filing of a premature notice of appeal, allowing the court to rule on the Motion. See NRAP 4(a)(6).
- 5. The Motion was timely filed within fourteen (14) days of the Notice of Entry of the Amended Order.
- 6. Plaintiff spends a majority of its Motion rehashing the facts of the underlying dispute. Plaintiff argues that exhibits the Court relied on in granting Defendants underlying motion for summary judgment namely, the Residential Purchase Agreement and the Second Residential Purchase Agreement were not properly authenticated. Plaintiff additionally argues that Defendants discussed an email from Chen to Ms. Zhu without providing a foundation for the

email. Plaintiff's argument is that this Court committed clear error by relying on unauthenticated documents, or hearsay, in ruling on Defendants' motion for summary judgment.

- 7. In opposing summary judgment, Plaintiff was required to point to specific facts creating a genuine issue of material fact. <u>See LaMantia v. Redisi</u>, 118 Nev. 27, 29 (2002). Plaintiff did not do so.
- 8. Defendants were not required to authenticate the first and second Residential Purchase Agreement before this Court could rely on those documents in granting summary judgment.
- 9. Plaintiff did not contest the authenticity of the disputed documents in opposing summary judgment.
- 10. Plaintiff could have objected that these documents, which were Defendants repeatedly cite to in their motion for summary judgment, cannot be presented in a form that would be admissible in evidence. See NRCP 56(b)(2). However, Plaintiff did not so object.
- 11. The summary judgment hearing was not a trial. Authentication is for purposes of introducing evidence at trial; therefore, Plaintiff's authentication argument lacks merit.
 - 12. Plaintiff has not demonstrated that this Court's ruling was clearly erroneous.
- 13. Plaintiff has not demonstrated that this Court's decision to grant Rule 11 sanctions was clearly erroneous. However, this Court does clarify that the sanctions are awarded against Plaintiff's former counsel, Ben Childs, and not Plaintiff's current counsel, Mr. Day.
- 14. Defendants also ask that this Court issue an award of attorney fees and costs in the amount of \$128,166.78 related to the Courts' April 7, 2021 Order this Court granting Defendants' attorney fees and costs pursuant to Rule 11. Plaintiff, through its former or new counsel, does not oppose the specific amounts requested.
- 15. As such, this Court grants the amount Defendants seek and enters judgment against Plaintiff and their former counsel, Ben Childs, Esq. in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Seventy-Eight cents (\$128,166.78).
- 16. Defendants' countermotion for additional Rule 11 sanctions against Plaintiff for filing the Motion is denied.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that the Motion is GRANTED, in part, and DENIED, in part, as the Court's ruling was not clearly erroneous but clarifies the attorney fees and costs is awarded against Plaintiff and its former counsel Ben Childs, Esq.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDICATED, AND DECREED that Judgment is entered in favor of Defendants against Plaintiff, and its former counsel, Benjamin Childs, individually, and Benjamin B. Childs, Esq, the law firm, jointly and severally, in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Seventy-Eight cents (\$128,166.78) and that they pay Defendants the following amounts:

- 1. The principal sum of \$118,955.014 in attorneys' fees;
- 2. The principal sum of \$9,211.64 for costs incurred to date; and
- 3. Post-judgment interest from the date of the entry of the underlying Order for the attorneys' fees and costs be granted at the statutory rate of 5.25% per annum.

A total Judgment in favor of Defendants, and against Plaintiff, and its former counsel, Benjamin Childs, individually, and Benjamin B. Childs, Esq, the law firm, jointly and severally, in the amount of \$128,166.78, all to bear interest at the statutory rate of 5.25% per annum until paid in full.

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Dear Mr. Day,

Please see the attached proposed order denying Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider and advise if I can affix your e-signature. If not, I have left the proposed order in word and would ask that you track any proposed edits in redline. If we do not receive a response by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 24, we will submit absent your signature.

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ORDER AFFIRMING (DOCKET NO. 82835) AND REVERSING (DOCKET NO. 83051)

These are consolidated appeals from a district court order granting summary judgment in a real property matter (Docket No. 82835) and from an order awarding attorney fees (Docket No. 83051). Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Adriana Escobar, Judge.¹

Appellant filed the underlying action, alleging generally that respondents had fraudulently induced appellant into purchasing an apartment building that contained numerous defects. Generally speaking, appellant's complaint alleged that respondents concealed the defects and that appellant could not have discovered those defects with due diligence before the purchase was completed. The district court granted summary judgment for respondents, reasoning, among other things, that (1) appellant failed to introduce evidence that respondents were aware of any particular defect that they failed to disclose; and (2) appellant failed to introduce evidence showing that a professionally conducted inspection would not have

¹Pursuant to NRAP 34(f)(1), we have determined that oral argument is not warranted.

discovered the complained-of defects. Consequently, the district court granted summary judgment on all 15 of appellant's claims, including its claim for violation of NRS Chapter 113 (Sales of Real Property—Required Disclosures). Appellant then appealed that order (Docket No. 82835). Thereafter, the district court awarded respondents roughly \$128,000 in attorney fees under NRCP 11 based on its perception that appellant's action was frivolous. Appellant then appealed that order (Docket No. 83051), and the appeals were consolidated.

Summary judgment (Docket No. 82835)

Appellant contends that summary judgment was improper because it introduced evidence sufficient to create questions of material fact. See Wood v. Safeway, Inc., 121 Nev. 724, 729, 121 P.3d 1026, 1029 (2005) (reviewing de novo a district court's decision to grant summary judgment and recognizing that summary judgment is appropriate "when the pleadings and other evidence on file demonstrate that no genuine issue as to any material fact remains and that the moving party is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law" (internal quotation marks and alterations omitted)). In particular, appellant appears to be contending that there are genuine issues of material fact regarding (1) whether respondents were aware of the complained-of defects, and (2) whether appellant was required to conduct a "professional" inspection to satisfy its due diligence.²

We disagree. With respect to appellant's first argument, appellant's opening brief simply reiterates its belief that "[n]umerous issues of fact exist as to what Defendants knew, what they disclosed and what they

²To the extent that appellant has raised other arguments challenging the district court's summary judgment, we are not persuaded that those arguments warrant reversal.

covered up." But beyond this statement, appellant's opening brief fails to cite to any evidence in the record that might raise an inference that respondents were aware of a particular complained-of defect, such that a genuine issue of material fact existed regarding the viability of appellant's NRS Chapter 113 claim or any of the related claims. See Nelson v. Heer, 123 Nev. 217, 224, 163 P.3d 420, 425 (2007) (holding that for purposes of a claim under NRS Chapter 113, in order for a seller to be "aware" of a defect such that the seller is obligated to disclose it, the seller must be able to "realize, perceive, or have knowledge of that defect or condition"); Land Baron Invs. Inc. v. Bonnie Springs Fam. LP, 131 Nev. 686, 696, 356 P.3d 511, 518 (2015) ("[Common law] [n]ondisclosure arises where a seller is aware of materially adverse facts that could not be discovered by the buyer after diligent inquiry." (Emphasis added and internal quotation marks omitted)). Similarly, appellant's summary judgment opposition failed to identify any evidence that might raise such an inference. Based on this appellate argument and lack of identifiable record evidence, we are unable to conclude that the district court erred in finding that no genuine issue of material fact existed regarding respondents' awareness of the complainedof defects. See NRAP 28(a)(10)(A) (requiring briefs to cite to relevant portions of the record)³; Schuck v. Signature Flight Support of Nev., Inc.,

³Appellant's opening brief *does* cite to an affidavit from appellant's manager that was submitted in conjunction with appellant's motion to reconsider the district court's summary judgment. However, the manager's affidavit submitted in conjunction with appellant's summary judgment opposition did not include the statements upon which appellant relies on appeal, and appellant has not argued that the district court improperly denied its motion for reconsideration. Relatedly, although appellant's reply brief attempts for the first time to identify specific defects of which respondents were aware, we decline to specifically address those

126 Nev. 434, 438, 245 P.3d 542, 545 (2010) ("[A] district court is not obligated to wade through and search the entire record for some specific facts which might support the nonmoving party's claim."); see also Johnson v. Cambridge Indus., Inc., 325 F.3d 892, 901 (7th Cir. 2003) ("[S]ummary judgment is the 'put up or shut up' moment in a lawsuit, when a party must show what evidence it has that would convince a trier of fact to accept its version of events.").

With respect to appellant's second argument, appellant appears to be contending that its manager's own inspection was sufficient to satisfy the due diligence requirement in the parties' Residential Purchase Agreement, such that any defect he did not discover was not "within the reach of the diligent attention and observation of the buyer." 4 Cf. Frederic

As for appellant's NRS Chapter 645 claim, we affirm the district court's summary judgment based on its finding that appellant did not rely on any representations from the broker respondents, which is a finding that

arguments. Francis v. Wynn Las Vegas, LLC, 127 Nev. 657, 671 n.7, 262 P.3d 705, 715 n.7 (2011) (explaining why this court generally declines to consider arguments raised for the first time in a reply brief).

With the possible exception of its claim for violation of NRS Chapter 645, all the claims in appellant's operative complaint appear to be based on the allegation that respondents knowingly did not disclose the complainedof defects. If so, appellant's second argument appears to be moot in light of our rejection of appellant's first argument. See Wood, 121 Nev. at 731, 121 P.3d at 1031 ("The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and will preclude summary judgment; other factual disputes are irrelevant."); Bulbman, Inc. v. Nev. Bell, 108 Nev. 105, 111, 825 P.2d 588, 592 (1992) (observing that "[w]here an essential element of a claim for relief is absent, the facts, disputed or otherwise, as to other elements are rendered immaterial and summary judgment is proper."). Nonetheless, in the event we are misconstruing appellant's claims and arguments, we address appellant's second argument.

& Barbara Rosenberg Living Tr. v. MacDonald Highlands Realty, LLC, 134 Nev. 570, 578-79, 427 P.3d 104, 111 (2018) (observing that a seller is not liable for nondisclosure of a known condition materially affecting the property's value if the condition is also "within the reach of the diligent attention and observation of the buyer"). Admittedly, this court has not expanded on the meaning of "within the reach of the diligent attention and observation of the buyer." Id. However, appellant's manager acknowledged in his deposition that before appellant purchased the building, the manager had access to the same parts of the building that appellant's own expert had when the expert conducted his own inspection as part of this litigation, with the implication being that a "professional" pre-purchase inspection would have discovered the complained-of defects alleged in appellant's complaint. Thus, absent any authority suggesting that "diligent attention and observation of the buyer" would encompass a non-professional or unlicensed inspection, we are unable to conclude that the "inspection" conducted by appellant's manager—and his failure to discover the complained-of defects-provides a basis for holding respondents liable for nondisclosure of those alleged defects.5

Accordingly, and to the extent that appellant's second argument implicates an issue of "material" fact, *Wood*, 121 Nev. at 731, 121 P.3d at 1031 ("The substantive law controls which factual disputes are material and

appellant does not meaningfully contest on appeal. *Powell v. Liberty Mut. Fire Ins. Co.*, 127 Nev. 156, 161 n.3, 252 P.3d 668, 672 n.3 (2011) (providing that issues not raised by a party on appeal are deemed waived).

⁵In this, we note that the subject property was a 63-year-old apartment building that, by appellant's own admission, "should have been condemned" before appellant purchased it.

will preclude summary judgment "), we conclude that the district court correctly found that no genuine issue of material fact existed to justify denying summary judgment. We therefore affirm the district court's summary judgment in Docket No. 82835.

Attorney fee award (Docket No. 83051)

Appellant contends that the district court's award of attorney fees as a sanction under NRCP 11 must be reversed because the district court imposed that sanction in contravention of NRCP 11's explicit and mandatory procedural requirements. We agree. In particular, respondents did not serve notice of their motion at least 21 days before they filed the motion with the district court and the motion was not made separately from their summary judgment motion as required by NRCP 11(c)(2). purpose of that provision is to allow the offending party to correct or withdraw a problematic pleading, and appellant was not afforded the benefit of that provision, which would have allowed appellant to avoid sanctions under that rule.⁶ Radcliffe v. Rainbow Constr. Co., 254 F.3d 772, 789 (9th Cir. 2001) (concluding that a defendant did not comply with the federal analog to NRCP 11 when it sought Rule 11 sanctions as part of a motion for summary judgment and did not serve the motion on the plaintiffs within Rule 11's 21-day advance service provision); see also Barber v. Miller, 146 F.3d 707, 710-11 (9th Cir. 1998) ("[W]arnings [are] not motions . . . , and

⁶Although the summary judgment originally entered by the district court directed respondents to prepare an order to show cause, the district court's amended summary judgment removed that provision such that the district court did not order appellant to show cause why it should not be sanctioned. See NRCP 11(c)(3) (providing that the court, on its own, may order a party to "show cause why conduct specifically described in the order has not violated Rule 11(b)").

[Rule 11] requires service of a motion."). Thus, before sanctions may be imposed against an offending party, that party must be given "notice and a reasonable opportunity to respond." NRCP 11(c)(1). Here, respondents failed to comply with the mandatory procedural requirements of NRCP 11(c), which precludes the imposition of sanctions under NRCP 11.7 We therefore reverse the district court's May 25, 2021, order in Docket No. 83051 insofar as that order awarded respondents attorney fees.

It is so ORDERED.8

Parraguirre , c.s.

, J.

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_, Sr. J

cc: Hon. Adriana Escobar, District Judge James A. Kohl, Settlement Judge Day & Nance Michael B. Lee, P.C. Eighth District Court Clerk

⁷Respondents contend that the district court could have awarded the same sanctions under NRS 7.085 or NRS 18.010(2)(b). However, the district court expressly granted "attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Rule 11," which required respondents to follow the appropriate procedures for the award to have been appropriate.

⁸The Honorable Mark Gibbons, Senior Justice, participated in the decision of this matter under a general order of assignment.

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ORDER DENYING REHEARING

Rehearing denied. NRAP 40(c). It is so ORDERED.

Parraguirre, C. J.

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cc: Hon. Adriana Escobar, District Judge

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