#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

#### INDICATE FULL CAPTION:

MEI-GSR HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, et al., Appellants,

vs.

ALBERT THOMAS, individually, et al., Respondents.

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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Appellants must complete this docketing statement in compliance with NRAP 14(a). The purpose of the docketing statement is to assist the Supreme Court in screening jurisdiction, identifying issues on appeal, assessing presumptive assignment to the Court of Appeals under NRAP 17, scheduling cases for oral argument and settlement conferences, classifying cases for expedited treatment and assignment to the Court of Appeals, and compiling statistical information.

#### WARNING

This statement must be completed fully, accurately and on time. NRAP 14(c). The Supreme Court may impose sanctions on counsel or appellant if it appears that the information provided is incomplete or inaccurate. *Id.* Failure to fill out the statement completely or to file it in a timely manner constitutes grounds for the imposition of sanctions, including a fine and/or dismissal of the appeal.

A complete list of the documents that must be attached appears as Question 27 on this docketing statement. Failure to attach all required documents will result in the delay of your appeal and may result in the imposition of sanctions.

This court has noted that when attorneys do not take seriously their obligations under NRAP 14 to complete the docketing statement properly and conscientiously, they waste the valuable judicial resources of this court, making the imposition of sanctions appropriate. *See* <u>KDI Sylvan Pools v. Workman</u>, 107 Nev. 340, 344, 810 P.2d 1217, 1220 (1991). Please use tab dividers to separate any attached documents.

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County Washoe	Judge Senior Judge Elizabeth Gonzalez
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4. Nature of disposition below (check all that apply):		
$\square$ Judgment after bench trial	☐ Dismissal:	
☐ Judgment after jury verdict	$\square$ Lack of jurisdiction	
☐ Summary judgment	☐ Failure to state a claim	
☐ Default judgment	☐ Failure to prosecute	
$\square$ Grant/Denial of NRCP 60(b) relief	☐ Other (specify):	
oxtimes Grant/Denial of injunction	☐ Divorce Decree:	
$\square$ Grant/Denial of declaratory relief	☐ Original ☐ Modification	
☐ Review of agency determination	☐ Other disposition (specify):	
5. Does this appeal raise issues concerning any of the following?		
☐ Child Custody		
□ Venue		
$\square$ Termination of parental rights		
6. Pending and prior proceedings in this court. List the case name and docket number of all appeals or original proceedings presently or previously pending before this court which are related to this appeal:  MEI-GSR Holdings, LLC v. Thomas, Docket No. 69184  Thomas v. MEI-GSR Holdings, LLC, Docket No. 70498  MEI-GSR Holdings, LLC v. Thomas, Docket No. 84143		

**7. Pending and prior proceedings in other courts.** List the case name, number and court of all pending and prior proceedings in other courts which are related to this appeal (*e.g.*, bankruptcy, consolidated or bifurcated proceedings) and their dates of disposition: N/A

**8. Nature of the action.** Briefly describe the nature of the action and the result below:

The action involves an ongoing dispute about whether Plaintiffs, as unit owners within a hotel condominium arrangement, were damaged by certain conduct of the Defendants, including awarded and alleged continuing damages based upon loss of rental income and depreciation in the value of those units. The parties' rights and responsibilities are largely governed by a Unit Rental Agreement, unit Maintenance Agreement and CC&Rs.

On March 1, 2022, Respondents moved for an emergency preliminary injunction prohibiting Appellants from dissolving the common-interest community. On December 5, 2022, the district court entered a preliminary injunction allowing the dissolution of the unit owners' association but imposing a court-supervised sale and valuation process that impermissibly deviates from the statutory procedure and that exceeds the Court's jurisdiction because the dissolution process and matters restrained fall beyond the scope of the four corners of the operative Complaint.

- **9. Issues on appeal.** State concisely the principal issue(s) in this appeal (attach separate sheets as necessary):
- (1) Whether the district court erred when it granted a preliminary injunction that ordered a dissolution procedure that deviates from, and conflicts with, the statutory requirements for dissolving a common-interest community;
- (2) Whether the district court erred by issuing a preliminary injunction that preserved Respondents' claims that had been previously presented and decided against the Respondents;
- (3) Whether the district court erred when it granted an injunction without expressly finding a likelihood of success on the merits of a claim in the operative complaint;
- (4) Whether the district court erred when it granted a preliminary injunction that exceeded the scope of the relief sought by the operative complaint.
- **10.** Pending proceedings in this court raising the same or similar issues. If you are aware of any proceedings presently pending before this court which raises the same or similar issues raised in this appeal, list the case name and docket numbers and identify the same or similar issue raised:

None that appellants are aware of.

11. Constitutional issues. If this appeal challenges the constitut the state, any state agency, or any officer or employee thereof is not have you notified the clerk of this court and the attorney general in and NRS 30.130?	t a party to this appeal,
⊠ N/A	
$\square$ Yes	
□ No	
If not, explain:	
12. Other issues. Does this appeal involve any of the following iss	sues?
☐ Reversal of well-settled Nevada precedent (identify the case(s)	))
☐ An issue arising under the United States and/or Nevada Cons	titutions
oxtimes A substantial issue of first impression	
⊠ An issue of public policy	
$\Box$ An issue where en banc consideration is necessary to maintain court's decisions	n uniformity of this
$\square$ A ballot question	
If so, explain: The issue of whether a court may, by equitable refor the dissolution of a common-interest communication conflict with, the statutory provisions governing common-interest community is an issue of first in policy.	nity that exceed, or the dissolution of a

13. Assignment to the Court of Appeals or retention in the Supreme Court. Briefly
set forth whether the matter is presumptively retained by the Supreme Court or assigned to
the Court of Appeals under NRAP 17, and cite the subparagraph(s) of the Rule under which
the matter falls. If appellant believes that the Supreme Court should retain the case despite
its presumptive assignment to the Court of Appeals, identify the specific issue(s) or circum-
stance(s) that warrant retaining the case, and include an explanation of their importance or
significance:

This matter is presumptively retained by the Supreme Court under NRAP 17 because the issue of whether a district court may, by equitable relief, impose standards for the dissolution of a common-interest community that exceed or contradict the statutory requirements is an issue of first impression and of statewide public importance.

<b>14. Trial.</b> If this action proceeded to trial, how many days did the trial last?	

**15. Judicial Disqualification.** Do you intend to file a motion to disqualify or have a justice recuse him/herself from participation in this appeal? If so, which Justice? No.

Was it a bench or jury trial? N/A

#### TIMELINESS OF NOTICE OF APPEAL

16. Date of entry of	written judgment or order appealed from December 5, 2022
If no written judg seeking appellate	ment or order was filed in the district court, explain the basis for
seeking appenate	Teview.
17. Date written no	otice of entry of judgment or order was served December 5, 2022
Was service by:	
☐ Delivery	
⊠ Mail/electroni	c/fax
18. If the time for find (NRCP 50(b), 52(b),	iling the notice of appeal was tolled by a post-judgment motion , or 59)
(a) Specify the the date of the	type of motion, the date and method of service of the motion, and filing.
☐ NRCP 50(b)	Date of filing
☐ NRCP 52(b)	Date of filing
$\square$ NRCP 59	Date of filing
	pursuant to NRCP 60 or motions for rehearing or reconsideration may toll the a notice of appeal. <i>See</i> AA Primo Builders v. Washington, 126 Nev, 245 0).
(b) Date of entr	ry of written order resolving tolling motion
(c) Date writte	n notice of entry of order resolving tolling motion was served
Was service	by:
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19. Date notice of appeal filed January 3, 2023		
notice of appeal was	ty has appealed from the judgment or order, list the date each filed and identify by name the party filing the notice of appeal: LLC et al.: notice of appeal filed January 3, 2023	
Albert Thomas, et al.	: notice of cross-appeal filed January 17, 2023	
	ale governing the time limit for filing the notice of appeal,	
e.g., NRAP 4(a) or other NRAP 4(a)		
	SUBSTANTIVE APPEALABILITY	
21. Specify the statute of the judgment or order a	or other authority granting this court jurisdiction to review appealed from:	
□ NRAP 3A(b)(1)	□ NRS 38.205	
☐ NRAP 3A(b)(2)	□ NRS 233B.150	
	$\square$ NRS 703.376	
☐ Other (specify)		
	nority provides a basis for appeal from the judgment or order: party may appeal from an order granting an injunction.	

22. List all parties involved in the action or consolidated actions in the district court:  (a) Parties:  See attachment.
(b) If all parties in the district court are not parties to this appeal, explain in detail why those parties are not involved in this appeal, e.g., formally dismissed, not served, or other: N/A.
23. Give a brief description (3 to 5 words) of each party's separate claims, counterclaims, cross-claims, or third-party claims and the date of formal disposition of each claim.
Plaintiffs sued Grand Sierra Resort Association for appointment of a receiver, money damages, and equitable relief; MEI-GSR for money damages and equitable relief; and Gage Village Development for equitable relief.
Defendants filed counterclaims against all plaintiffs for damages, declaratory relief and injunctive relief.
24. Did the judgment or order appealed from adjudicate ALL the claims alleged below and the rights and liabilities of ALL the parties to the action or consolidated actions below?
□ Yes
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25. If you answered "No" to question 24, complete the following:
(a) Specify the claims remaining pending below: All claims remain pending.

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	istrict court certify the judgment or order appealed from as a final judgment NRCP 54(b)?
$\square$ Yes	
$\boxtimes$ No	
` '	istrict court make an express determination, pursuant to NRCP 54(b), that ast reason for delay and an express direction for the entry of judgment?
$\square$ Yes	
⊠ No	
	wered "No" to any part of question 25, explain the basis for seeking ew (e.g., order is independently appealable under NRAP 3A(b)):

#### 27. Attach file-stamped copies of the following documents:

• The latest-filed complaint, counterclaims, cross-claims, and third-party claims

The order is independently appealable under NRAP 3A(b)(3) as an order granting a motion

- Any tolling motion(s) and order(s) resolving tolling motion(s)
- Orders of NRCP 41(a) dismissals formally resolving each claim, counterclaims, crossclaims and/or third-party claims asserted in the action or consolidated action below, even if not at issue on appeal
- Any other order challenged on appeal

for a preliminary injunction.

• Notices of entry for each attached order

#### **VERIFICATION**

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read this docketing statement, that the information provided in this docketing statement is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that I have attached all required documents to this docketing statement.

MEI-GSR Holdings, LLC et al.  Name of appellant	Jordan T. Smith  Name of counsel of record
January 27, 2023 Date	/s/ Jordan T. Smith Signature of counsel of record
Clark County, Nevada State and county where signed	
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completed docketing statement upon  ☐ By personally serving it upon  ☒ By mailing it by first class address(es): (NOTE: If all response and attach a separate  G. David Robertson Jarrad C. Miller	on him/her; or mail with sufficient postage prepaid to the following names and addresses cannot fit below, please list names e sheet with the addresses.)
Robertson, Johnson, Miller & and Robert L. Eisenberg Lemons, Grundy & Eisenberg Attorneys for Respondent  See Attachment	
Dated this 27th day	y of <u>January</u> , <u>2023</u>
	/s/ Shannon Dinkel Signature

#### ATTACHMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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#### **Attachment to Question 2:**

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#### **Attachment to Question 3:**

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#### **Attachment to Question 22:**

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#### 2. Defendants/Appellants:

MEI-GSR Holdings, LLC; Gage Village Commercial Development, LLC; and AM-GSR Holdings, LLC.

### APPENDIX OF EXHIBITS DOCKETING STATEMENT QUESTION 27

EXHIBIT	DESCRIPTION	DATE FILED
Exhibit A	Notice of Entry of December 5, 2022 Order	December 5, 2022
Exhibit B	Second Amended Complaint	March 26, 2013
Exhibit C	Answer to Second Amended Complaint and Counterclaim	May 23, 2013

## **EXHIBIT A**

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Defendants, MEI-GSR, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; GAGE VILLAGE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company' and, AM-GSR

1	HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company (hereinafter referred to as			
2	"Defendants"), by and through their counsel, David C. McElhinney, Associate General Counsel			
3	with the Meruelo Group gives notice that on December 5th, 2022 the Court issued its Order			
4	addressing and ruling upon Plaintiffs' Application for Temporary Restraining Order, and Motion			
5	for Preliminary Injunction, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as <b>Exhibit 1</b> .			
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7	A EFIDMATION			
8	AFFIRMATION Pursuant to NRS 239B.030			
9	The undersigned does hereby affirm that this document does not contain the social			
10	security number of any person.			
11	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this December 5, 2022.			
12	/-/ David C. MaEllian and Ear			
13	/s/ David C. McElhinney, Esq. ABRAN VIGIL, Esq. Nevada Bar No. 7548			
14	Ann Hall, Esq. Nevada Bar No. 5447			
15	DAVID C. MCELHINNEY, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 0033			
16	MERUELO GROUP, LLC			
17	Legal Services Department 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Executive Offices 2535 Las Vegas Boulevard South			
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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am employed in County of Clark, State of Nevada and, on this date, December 5, 2022 I deposited for mailing with the United States Postal Service, and served by electronic mail, a true copy of the attached document addressed to:

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Further, I certify that on the December 5, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court electronic filing system, which will send notice of electronic filings to all persons registered to receive electronic service via the Court's electronic filing and service system. DATED this December 5, 2022

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# Exhibit 1

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5	IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA  IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE		
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8	Plaintiff,	ase#: CV12-02222	
9	vs.	Pept. 10 (Senior Judge)	
10	MEI-GSR HOLDINGS, LLC., a Nevada Limited Liability Company, et al		
12	Defendant.		
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	Pursuant to WDCR 12(5) the Court after a review of	the briefing, exhibits, declarations, transcripts	
<ul><li>19</li><li>20</li></ul>	and related documents and being fully informed rules	and related documents and being fully informed rules on the APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY	
21	RESTRAINING ORDER, AND MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ('the		
22	Injunctive Relief Motion") related to a meeting notice	Injunctive Relief Motion") related to a meeting noticed by Defendants for March 14, 2022 to hold a	
23	vote on whether the Grand Sierra Resort Unit Owners Association ("GSRUOA") should be		
24	dissolved.		
25	The Court makes the following factual findings:		
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	<sup>1</sup> The declarations considered include those filed on Match 28, 2	2022 after the March 25, 2022 hearing.	
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Mortgagee. Such action shall be binding upon all Unit Owners, and it shall thereupon

become the duty of every Unit Owner to execute and deliver such instruments and to perform all acts as in manner and form may be necessary to effect such sale.

Section 9.1 of the 7th Amended CC&Rs sets forth both a right and obligation of the unit owners that has been a part of their Deed and Title to their Units since the date they purchased their units. Defendants and its privies are currently the owner of over 80% of the units of GSRUOA.

The notice of the unit owners meeting at issue in these injunctive relief proceedings is Exhibit 3 to the Injunctive Relief Motion. That notice complies with NRS 116 and Section 9.1 of the 7th Amended CC&Rs.

The Court has previously made Findings that Defendants are systematically attempting to increase the various fees in order to devalue the units. October 9, 2015 Order par. 142-143.

The Court has previously made Findings that Defendants breached the Unit Maintenance Agreement and the Unit Rental Agreement. October 9, 2015 Order par. 146.

The findings made in the October 9, 2015 Order do not preclude the Defendants, as owners of more then 80% of the units,<sup>2</sup> from proceeding under Section 9.1 of the 7th Amended CC&Rs.

The January 7, 2015 Order Appointing Receiver and Directing Defendants' Compliance provides:

Defendants, and their agents, servants and employees, and those acting in concert with them, shall not engage in or perform directly or indirectly, any or all of the following acts: a. Interfering with the Receiver, directly or indirectly, in the management and operation of the Property . . . c. Doing any act which will, or which will tend to, impair, defeat, divert, prevent or prejudice the preservation of the Property or the interest in the Plaintiffs in the Property

January 7, 2015 Order at page 8 lines 2-11. Defendants efforts under Section 9.1 of the 7th Amended CC&Rs do not violate this provision of the January 7, 2015 Order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Paragraph 6 of Declaration of David C. McElhinney filed on March 17, 2022 as Exhibit 12 of the Opposition to the Injunctive Relief Motion.

restricted exclusively to nonresidential uses.

2. An agreement to terminate must be evidenced by the execution of an agreement to terminate, or ratifications thereof, in the same manner as a deed, by the requisite number of units' owners. The agreement must specify a date after

NRS 116.2118(1), allows for the termination of a common-interest community by agreement of unit owners to whom at least 80% of the votes in the association are allocated.

NRS 116.2118(2), provides that an agreement to terminate the common interest community must be evidenced by the execution of an agreement to terminate, or ratifications thereof, in the same manner as a deed, by the requisite number of unit owners.

NRS 116.2118 (1), dictates that the respective interests of unit owners are the fair market value of their units.

Sale of the Plaintiffs' units will not operate to extinguish a unit owner's claims for damages which exist at the time of the "transfer" and are retained by a unit owner.

which the agreement will be void unless it is recorded before that date. An agreement to terminate and all ratifications thereof must be recorded in every county in which a portion of the common-interest community is situated and is effective only upon recordation.

<sup>3.</sup> In the case of a condominium or planned community containing only units having horizontal boundaries described in the declaration, an agreement to terminate may provide that all of the common elements and units of the common interest community must be sold following termination. If, pursuant to the agreement, any real estate in the common interest community is to be sold following termination, the agreement must set forth the minimum terms of the sale.

<sup>4.</sup> In the case of a condominium or planned community containing any units not having horizontal boundaries described in the declaration, an agreement to terminate may provide for sale of the common elements, but it may not require that the units be sold following termination, unless the declaration as originally recorded provided otherwise or all the units' owners consent to the sale.

<sup>5.</sup> The association, on behalf of the units' owners, may contract for the sale of real estate in a common-interest community, but the contract is not binding on the units' owners until approved pursuant to subsections 1 and 2. If any real estate is to be sold following termination, title to that real estate, upon termination, vests in the association as trustee for the holders of all interests in the units. Thereafter, the association has all powers necessary and appropriate to effect the sale. Until the sale has been concluded and the proceeds thereof distributed, the association continues in existence with all powers it had before termination. Proceeds of the sale must be distributed to units' owners and lienholders as their interests may appear, in accordance with NRS 116.21183 and 116.21185. Unless otherwise specified in the agreement to terminate, as long as the association holds title to the real estate, each unit's owner and his or her successors in interest have an exclusive right to occupancy of the portion of the real estate that formerly constituted the unit. During the period of that occupancy, each unit's owner and his or her successors in interest remain liable for all assessments and other obligations imposed on units' owners by this chapter or the declaration.

<sup>6.</sup> In a condominium or planned community, if the real estate constituting the common-interest community is not to be sold following termination, title to the common elements and, in a common-interest community containing only units having horizontal boundaries described in the declaration, title to all the real estate in the common-interest community, vests in the units' owners upon termination as tenants in common in proportion to their respective interests as provided in NRS 116.21185, and liens on the units shift accordingly. While the tenancy in common exists, each unit's owner and his or her successors in interest have an exclusive right to occupancy of the portion of the real estate that formerly constituted the unit.

<sup>7.</sup> Following termination of the common-interest community, the proceeds of a sale of real estate, together with the assets of the association, are held by the association as trustee for units' owners and holders of liens on the units as their interests may appear.

<sup>6</sup> Those include:

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Plaintiffs' 04/25/22 Motion for Order to Show Cause (Defendants' contempt for violations of Court's orders, including 01/04/22 orders)

Plaintiffs' 03/02/22 Motion for Order to Show Cause (Defendants' contempt for violations of Court's orders, including 01/04/22 orders)

Plaintiffs' 02/01/22 Motion for Order to Show Cause (Defendants' contempt for violations of Court's orders, including 01/04/22 orders)

Plaintiffs' 11/19/21 Motion for Order to Show Cause (Defendants' contempt for violating 01/17/15 Order) and, 12/23/21 Plaintiffs' 09/27/21 Motion for Order to Show Cause (Defendants' contempt for violating 01/17/15 Order) Plaintiffs' 2/11/21 Motion for Order to Show Cause (Defendants' contempt for violating 12/24/22 order) These are referred to collectively as the Applications for OSC.

<sup>(</sup>c) In a planned community, their respective liabilities for common expenses immediately before the termination..

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants and anyone acting on their behalf are restrained from transferring, selling or otherwise alienating, the units at GSRUOA or the property rights related to the GSRUOA and the units which currently compose GSRUOA pending further order of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the bond posted by Plaintiffs in the amount of \$50,0000, following the Court's granting a Temporary Restraining Order on March 11, 2022, remain in place as adequate security for this Preliminary Injunction.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in all other respects the Injunctive Relief Motion is denied.

Dated this 5th day December, 2022.

Hon. Elizabeth Gonzalez, (Ret.) Sr. District Court Judge

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** I certify that I am an employee of THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT; that on the 5th day of December, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court system which will send a notice of electronic filing to the following: DALE KOTCHKA-ALANES DANIEL POLSENBERG, ESQ. DAVID MCELHINNEY, ESQ. BRIANA COLLINGS, ESQ. ABRAN VIGIL, ESQ. JONATHAN TEW, ESQ. JARRAD MILLER, ESQ. TODD ALEXANDER, ESQ. F. SHARP, ESQ. STEPHANIE SHARP, ESQ. G. DAVID ROBERTSON, ESQ. ROBERT EISENBERG, ESQ. JENNIFER HOSTETLER, ESQ. Holly W. Longe

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26 RAMON FADRILAN, individually; FAYE FADRILAN, individually; PETER K. LEE

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DOMINIC YIN, individually; ELIAS SHAMIEH, individually; JEFFREY OUINN,

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#### SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT

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1	individually; BARBARA ROSE QUINN
2	individually; KENNETH RICHE,
2	individually; MAXINE RICHE, individually; NORMAN CHANDLER, individually;
3	BENTON WAN, individually; TIMOTHY D.
4	KAPLAN, individually; SILKSCAPE INC.;
4	PETER CHENG, individually; ELISA CHENG, individually; GREG A.
5	CAMERON, individually; TMI PROPERTY
	GROUP, LLC; RICHARD LUTZ,
6	individually; SANDRA LUTZ, individually; MARY A. KOSSICK, individually; MELVIN
7	CHEAH, individually; DI SHEN,
	individually; NADINE'S REAL ESTATE
8	INVESTMENTS, LLC; AJIT GUPTA,
9	individually; SEEMA GUPTA, individually; FREDRICK FISH, individually; LISA FISH,
	individually; ROBERT A. WILLIAMS,
10	individually; JACQUELIN PHAM,
	individually; MAY ANN HOM, as Trustee of
11	the MAY ANN HOM TRUST; MICHAEL
10	HURLEY, individually; DOMINIC YIN,
12	individually; DUANE WINDHORST,
13	individually; MARILYN WINDHORST, individually; VINOD BHAN, individually;
13	ANNE BHAN, individually; GUY P.
14	BROWNE, individually; GARTH A.
	WILLIAMS, individually; PAMELA Y.
15	ARATANI, individually; DARLENE
1.0	LINDGREN, individually; LAVERNE
16	ROBERTS, individually; DOUG MECHAM, individually; CHRISINE MECHAM,
17	individually; KWANGSOO SON,
- '	individually; SOO YEUN MOON,
18	individually; JOHNSON AKINDODUNSE,
	individually; IRENE WEISS, as Trustee of
19	the WEISS FAMILY TRUST; PRAVESH
20	CHOPRA, individually; TERRY POPE,
20	individually; NANCY POPE, individually;
21	JAMES TAYLOR, individually; RYAN TAYLOR, individually; KI HAM,
	individually; YOUNG JA CHOI,
22	individually; SANG DAE SOHN,
	individually; KUK HYUNG (CONNIE),
23	individually; SANG (MIKE) YOO,
24	individually; BRETT MENMUIR, as Trustee
24	of the CAYENNE TRUST; WILLIAM
25	MINER, JR., individually; CHANH TRUONG, individually; ELIZABETH
_	ANDERS MECUA, individually;
26	SHEPHERD MOUNTAIN, LLC; ROBERT
	BRUNNER, individually; AMY BRUNNER,
27	individually; JEFF RIOPELLE, individually;
20	PATRICIA M. MOLL, individually;
28	DANIEL MOLL, individually; and DOE

1	PLAINTIFFS 1 THROUGH 10, inclusive,		
2	Plaintiffs,		
3	vs.		
4	MEI-GSR Holdings, LLC, a Nevada Limited		
5	Liability Company, GRAND SIERRA RESORT UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, a Nevada nonprofit corporation, GAGE VILLAGE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company and DOE DEFENDANTS 1 THROUGH 10, inclusive,		
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8	Defendants.		
9	COME NOW Plaintiffs ("Plaintiffs" or "Individual Unit Owners"), by and through their		
10	counsel of record, Robertson, Johnson, Miller & Williamson, and for their causes of action		
11	against Defendants hereby complain as follows:		
12	GENERAL ALLEGATIONS		
13	The Parties		
14	1. Plaintiff Albert Thomas is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of		
15	California.		
16	2. Plaintiff Jane Dunlap is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of		
17	California.		
18	3. Plaintiff John Dunlap is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of		
19	California.		
20	4. Plaintiff Barry Hay is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of		
21 22	California.		
23	5. Plaintiff Marie-Annie Alexander, as Trustee of the Marie-Annie Alexander Living		
24	Trust, is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of California.		
25	6. Plaintiff Melissa Vagujhelyi, as Co-Trustee of the George Vagujhelyi and Melissa		
26	Vagujheyli 2001 Family Trust Agreement U/T/A April 13, 2001, is a competent adult and is a		
27	resident of the State of Nevada.		
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1	20.	Plaintiff Michael Izady is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of New
2	York.	
3	21.	Plaintiff Steven Takaki is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
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5	22.	Plaintiff Farad Torabkhan is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
6	New York.	
7	23.	Plaintiff Sahar Tavakol is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of New
8	York.	
9	24.	Plaintiff M&Y Holdings is a Nevada Limited Liability Company with its
10	principal place of business in Nevada.	
11	25.	Plaintiff JL&YL Holdings, LLC is a Nevada Limited Liability Company with its
12	principal plac	ce of business in Nevada.
13	26.	Plaintiff Sandi Raines is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
14	Minnesota.	
15	27.	Plaintiff R. Raghuram is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
16	California.	
17	28.	Plaintiff Usha Raghuram is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
18	California.	
19	29.	Plaintiff Lori K. Tokutomi is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
20	California.	
21	30.	Plaintiff Garett Tom is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
22	California.	
23	31.	Plaintiff Anita Tom is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
24	California.	
25	32.	Plaintiff Ramon Fadrilan is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
26	California.	
27	33.	Plaintiff Faye Fadrilan is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
28	California.	

1	48.	Plaintiff Elisa Cheng is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
2	California.	
3	49.	Plaintiff Greg A. Cameron is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
4	California.	
5	50.	Plaintiff TMI Property Group, LLC is a California Limited Liability Company.
6	51.	Plaintiff Richard Lutz is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
7	California.	
8	52.	Plaintiff Sandra Lutz is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
9	California.	
10	53.	Plaintiff Mary A. Kossick is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
11	California.	
12	54.	Plaintiff Melvin H. Cheah is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
13	California.	
14	55.	Plaintiff Di Shen is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of Texas.
15	56.	Plaintiff Ajit Gupta is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
16	California.	
17	57.	Plaintiff Seema Gupta is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
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19	58.	Plaintiff Fredrick Fish is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
20	Minnesota.	
21	59.	Plaintiff Lisa Fish is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of Minnesota.
22	60.	Plaintiff Robert A. Williams is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
23	Minnesota.	
24	61.	Plaintiff Jacquelin Pham is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
25	California.	
26	62.	Plaintiff May Ann Hom, as Trustee of the May Ann Hom Trust, is a competent
27	adult and is a	resident of the State of California.
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1	63.	Plaintiff Michael Hurley is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
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3	64.	Plaintiff Dominic Yin is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
4	California.	
5	65.	Plaintiff Duane Windhorst is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
6	Minnesota.	
7	66.	Plaintiff Marilyn Windhorst is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
8	Minnesota.	
9	67.	Plaintiff Vinod Bhan is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
10	California.	
11	68.	Plaintiff Anne Bhan is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
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13	69.	Plaintiff Guy P. Browne is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
14	California.	
15	70.	Plaintiff Garth Williams is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
16	California.	
17	71.	Plaintiff Pamela Y. Aratani is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
18	California.	
19	72.	Plaintiff Darleen Lindgren is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
20	Minnesota.	
21	73.	Plaintiff Laverne Roberts is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
22	Nevada.	
23	74.	Plaintiff Doug Mecham is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
24	Nevada.	
25	75.	Plaintiff Chrisine Mecham is a competent adult and is a resident of the State of
26	Nevada.	
27	76.	Plaintiff Kwangsoo Son is a competent adult and is a resident of Vancouver,
28	British Colur	nhia

to allege their true names and capacities when such are ascertained. Plaintiffs are informed and

believe and thereon allege that each of the fictitiously named Defendant Does is liable to Plaintiffs in some manner for the occurrences that are herein alleged.

#### MEI-GSR's Control of the Unit Owners' Association is to Plaintiffs' Detriment

- 105. The Individual Unit Owners re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 102 of this Complaint as though fully stated herein and hereby incorporate them by this reference as if fully set forth below.
- 106. The Grand Sierra Resort Condominium Units ("GSR Condo Units") are part of the Grand Sierra Unit Owners Association, which is an apartment style hotel condominium development of 670 units in one 27-story building. The GSR Condo Units occupy floors 17 through 24 of the Grand Sierra Resort and Casino, a large-scale hotel casino, located at 2500 East Second Street, Reno, Nevada.
- 107. All of the Individual Unit Owners: hold an interest in, own, or have owned, one or more GSR Condo Units.
  - 108. Defendants Gage Village and MEI-GSR own multiple GSR Condo Units.
  - 109. Defendant MEI-GSR owns the Grand Sierra Resort and Casino.
- 110. Under the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Reservations of Easements for Hotel-Condominiums at Grand Sierra Resort ("CC&Rs"), there is one voting member for each unit of ownership (thus, an owner with multiple units has multiple votes).
- 111. Because Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Village control more units of ownership than any other person or entity, they effectively control the Unit Owners' Association by having the ability to elect Defendant MEI-GSR's chosen representatives to the Board of Directors (the governing body over the GSR Condo Units).
- 112. As a result of Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Village controlling the Unit Owners' Association, the Individual Unit Owners effectively have no input or control over the management of the Unit Owners' Association.
- 113. Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Village have used, and continue to use, their control over the Defendant Unit Owners' Association to advance Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Villages' economic objectives to the detriment of the Individual Unit Owners.

114.	Defend	dants l	MEI-G	SR	and	Gage	V	illages'	con	trol	of	the	Unit	Owner	s'
Association	violates	Nevad	a law	as	it de	feats	the	purpose	of	form	ning	and	main	taining	a
homeowners' association.															

- 115. Further, the Nevada Division of Real Estate requires a developer to sell off the units within 7 years, exit and turn over the control and management to the owners.
- 116. Under the CC&Rs, the Individual Unit Owners are required to enter into a "Unit Maintenance Agreement" and participate in the "Hotel Unit Maintenance Program," wherein Defendant MEI-GSR provides certain services (including, without limitation, reception desk staffing, in-room services, guest processing services, housekeeping services, Hotel Unit inspection, repair and maintenance services, and other services).
- 117. The Unit Owners' Association maintains capital reserve accounts that are funded by the owners of GSR Condo Units. The Unit Owners' Association collects association dues of approximately \$25 per month per unit, with some variation depending on a particular unit's square footage.
- 118. The Individual Unit Owners pay for contracted "Hotel Fees," which include taxes, deep cleaning, capital reserve for the room, capital reserve for the building, routine maintenance, utilities, etc.
- 119. Defendant MEI-GSR has systematically allocated and disproportionately charged capital reserve contributions to the Individual Unit Owners, so as to force the Individual Unit Owners to pay capital reserve contributions in excess of what should have been charged.
- 120. Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Development have failed to pay proportionate capital reserve contribution payments in connection with their Condo Units.
- 121. Defendant MEI-GSR has failed to properly account for, or provide an accurate accounting for the collection and allocation of the collected capital reserve contributions.
- 122. The Individual Unit Owners also pay "Daily Use Fees" (a charge for each night a unit is occupied by any guest for housekeeping services, etc.).
- 123. Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Village have failed to pay proportionate Daily Use Fees for the use of Defendants' GSR Condo Units.

- 124. Defendant MEI-GSR has failed to properly account for the contracted "Hotel Fees" and "Daily Use Fees."
- 125. Further, the Hotel Fees and Daily Use Fees are not included in the Unit Owners' Association's annual budget with other assessments that provide the Individual Unit Owners' the ability to reject assessment increases and proposed budget ratification.
- 126. Defendant MEI-GSR has systematically endeavored to increase the various fees that are charged in connection with the use of the GSR Condo Units in order to devalue the units owned by Individual Unit Owners.
- 127. The Individual Unit Owners' are required to abide by the unilateral demands of MEI-GSR, through its control of the Unit Owners' Association, or risk being considered in default under Section 12 of the Agreement, which provides lien and foreclosure rights pursuant to Section 6.10(f) of the CC&R's.
- Defendants MEI-GSR and/or Gage Village have attempted to purchase, and 128. purchased, units devalued by their own actions, at nominal, distressed prices when Individual Unit Owners decide to, or are effectively forced to, sell their units because the units fail to generate sufficient revenue to cover expenses.
- Defendant MEI-GSR and/or Gage Village have, in late 2011 and 2012, purchased 129. such devalued units for \$30,000 less than the amount they purchased units for in March of 2011.
- 130. The Individual Unit Owners effectively pay association dues to fund the Unit Owners' Association, which acts contrary to the best interests of the Individual Unit Owners.
- 131. Defendant MEI-GSR's interest in maximizing its profits is in conflict with the interest of the Individual Unit Owners. Accordingly, Defendant MEI-GSR's control of the Unit Owners' Association is a conflict of interest.

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#### **MEI-GSR's Rental Program**

132. As part of Defendant MEI-GSR's Grand Sierra Resort and Casino business operations, it rents: (1) hotel rooms owned by Defendant MEI-GSR that are not condominium units; (2) GSR Condo Units owned by Defendant MEI-GSR and/or Gage Village; and (3) GSR Condo Units owned by the Individual Condo Unit Owners.

- 133. Defendant MEI-GSR has entered into a Grand Sierra Resort Unit Rental Agreement with Individual Unit Owners.
- 134. Defendant MEI-GSR has manipulated the rental of the: (1) hotel rooms owned by Defendant MEI-GSR; (2) GSR Condo Units owned by Defendant MEI-GSR and/or Gage Village; and (3) GSR Condo Units owned by Individual Condo Unit Owners so as to maximize Defendant MEI-GSR's profits and devalue the GSR Condo Units owned by the Individual Unit Owners.
- 135. Defendant MEI-GSR has rented the Individual Condo Units for as little as \$0.00 to \$25.00 a night.
- 136. Yet, MEI-GSR has charged "Daily Use Fees" of approximately \$22.38, resulting in revenue to the Individual Unit Owners as low as \$2.62 per night for the use of their GSR Condo Unit (when the unit was rented for a fee as opposed to being given away).
- 137. By functionally, and in some instances actually, giving away the use of units owned by the Individual Unit Owners, Defendant MEI-GSR has received a benefit because those who rent the Individual Units frequently gamble and purchase food, beverages, merchandise, spa services and entertainment access from Defendant MEI-GSR.
- 138. Defendant MEI-GSR has rented Individual Condo Units to third parties without providing Individual Unit Owners with any notice or compensation for the use of their unit.
- 139. Further, Defendant MEI-GSR has systematically endeavored to place a priority on the rental of Defendant MEI-GSR's hotel rooms, Defendant MEI-GSR's GSR Condo Units, and Defendant Gage Village's Condo Units.
- 140. Such prioritization effectively devalues the units owned by the Individual Unit Owners.
- 141. Defendants MEI-GSR and Gage Village intend to purchase the devalued units at nominal, distressed prices when Individual Unit Owners decide to, or are effectively forced to,

sell their units because the units fail to generate sufficient revenue to cover expenses and have no prospect of selling their persistently loss-making units to any other buyer.

- 142. Some of the Individual Unit Owners have retained the services of a third party to market and rent their GSR Condo Unit(s).
- 143. Defendant MEI-GSR has systematically thwarted the efforts of any third party to market and rent the GSR Units owned by the Individual Unit Owners.
- 144. Defendant MEI-GSR has breached the Grand Sierra Resort Unit Rental Agreement with Individual Condo Unit Owners by failing to follow its terms, including but not limited to, the failure to implement an equitable Rotational System as referenced in the agreement.
- 145. Defendant MEI-GSR has failed to act in good faith in exercising its duties under the Grand Sierra Resort Unit Rental Agreements with the Individual Unit Owners.

# FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Petition for Appointment of Receiver as to Defendant Grand Sierra Resort Unit Owners' Association)

- 146. Plaintiffs re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 143 of this Complaint as though fully stated herein and hereby incorporate them by this reference as if fully set forth below.
- 147. Because Defendant MEI-GSR and/or Gage Village controls more units of ownership than any other person or entity, Defendant MEI-GSR and Gage Village effectively control the Grand Sierra Resort Unit Owners' Association by having the ability to elect Defendant MEI-GSR's chosen representatives to the Board of Directors (the governing body over the GSR Condo Units).
- 148. As a result of Defendant MEI-GSR controlling the Grand Sierra Resort Unit-Owners' Association, Plaintiffs effectively have no input or control over the management of the Unit Owners' Association.

- 149. Defendant MEI-GSR has used, and continues to use, its control over the Defendant Grand Sierra Resort Unit Owners' Association to advance Defendant MEI-GSR's economic objectives to the detriment of Plaintiffs.
  - 150. Plaintiffs are entitled to a receiver pursuant to NRS § 32.010.
- 151. Pursuant to NRS § 32.010, the appointment of a receiver is appropriate in this case as a matter of statute and equity.
- 152. Unless a receiver is appointed, Defendant MEI-GSR will continue to control the Unit Owners' Association to advance Defendant MEI-GSR's economic objections to the detriment of Plaintiffs.
- 153. Without the grant of the remedies sought in this Complaint, Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law to enforce their rights and Plaintiffs will suffer irreparable harm unless granted the relief as prayed for herein.

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiffs request judgment against the Defendant Grand Sierra Resort Unit Owners' Association, as set forth below.

#### <u>SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF</u> (Intentional and/or Negligent Misrepresentation as to Defendant MEI-GSR)

- 154. Plaintiffs re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 151 of this Complaint as though fully stated herein and hereby incorporate them by this reference as if fully set forth below.
- 155. Defendant MEI-GSR made affirmative representations to Plaintiffs regarding the use, rental and maintenance of the Individual Unit Owners' GSR Condo Units.
- 156. Plaintiffs are now informed and believe, and thereon allege, that these representations were false.
- 157. The Defendant MEI-GSR knew that the affirmative representations were false, in the exercise of reasonable care should have known that they were false, and/or knew or should have known that it lacked a sufficient basis for making said representations.

- 158. The representations were made with the intention of inducing Plaintiffs to contract with Defendant MEI-GSR for the marketing and rental of Plaintiffs' GSR Condo Units and otherwise act, as set out above, in reliance upon the representations.
- 159. Plaintiffs justifiably relied upon the affirmative representations of Defendant MEI-GSR in contracting with Defendant MEI-GSR for the rental of their GSR Condo Units.
- 160. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant MEI-GSR's misrepresentations, Plaintiffs have been, and will continue to be, harmed in the manner herein.
- 161. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe, and thereon allege, that said representations were made by Defendant MEI-GSR with the intent to commit an oppression directed toward Plaintiffs by intentionally devaluing there GSR Condo Units. As a result, Plaintiffs are entitled to an award of exemplary damages against the Defendant, according to proof at the time of trial.
- 162. In addition, as a direct, proximate and necessary result of Defendant MEI-GSR's bad faith and wrongful conduct, Plaintiffs have been forced to incur costs and attorneys' fees and thus Plaintiffs hereby seek an award of said costs and attorneys' fees as damages pursuant to statute, decisional law, common law and this Court's inherent powers.

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiffs request judgment against Defendant MEI-GSR, as set forth below.

### THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Breach of Contract as to Defendant MEI-GSR)

- 163. Plaintiffs re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 160 of this Complaint as though fully stated herein and hereby incorporate them by this reference as if fully set forth below.
- 164. Defendant MEI-GSR has entered into a Grand Sierra Resort Unit Rental Agreement (the "Agreement") with Individual Condo Unit Owners.
- 165. Defendant MEI-GSR has breached the Agreement with Individual Unit Owners by failing to follow its terms, including but not limited to, the failure to implement an equitable Rotational System as referenced in the agreement.

Based on these facts, equitable or quasi-contracts existed between Plaintiffs and

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GSR's profits and devalue the GSR Condo Units owned by Plaintiffs.

- 185. Every contract in Nevada has implied into it, a covenant that the parties thereto will act in the spirit of good faith and fair dealing.
- 186. Defendant MEI-GSR has breached this covenant by intentionally making false and misleading statements to Plaintiffs, and for its other wrongful actions as alleged in this Complaint.
- 187. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant MEI-GSR's breaches of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, Plaintiffs have been, and will continue to be, harmed in the manner herein alleged.
- 188. In addition, as a direct, proximate and necessary result of Defendant MEI-GSR's bad faith and wrongful conduct, Plaintiffs have been forced to incur costs and attorneys' fees and thus Plaintiffs hereby seek an award of said costs and attorneys' fees as damages pursuant to statute, decisional law, common law and this Court's inherent powers.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request judgment against Defendant MEI-GSR, as set forth below.

#### SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

#### (Consumer Fraud/Nevada Deceptive Trade Practices Act Against Defendant MEI-GSR)

- 189. Plaintiffs re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 186 of this Complaint as though fully stated herein and hereby incorporate them by this reference as if fully set forth below.
- 190. NRS § 41.600(1) provides that "[a]n action may be brought by any person who is a victim of consumer fraud."
- 191. NRS § 41.600(2) explains, in part, "consumer fraud' means . . . [a] deceptive trade practice as defined in NRS §§ 598.0915 to 598.0925, inclusive."
- 192. NRS Chapter 598 identifies certain activities which constitute deceptive trade practices; many of those activities occurred in MEI-GSR's dealings with Plaintiffs.
- 193. Defendant MEI-GSR, in the course of its business or occupation, knowingly made false representations and/or misrepresentations to Plaintiffs.

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- 210. Defendant MEI-GSR has not fulfilled its duties and obligations.
- 211. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereon allege, that they are interested parties in the Defendant Grand Sierra Unit Owners Association and Defendant MEI-GSR's endeavors to market, maintain, service and rent Plaintiffs' GSR Condo Units.
- 212. Among their duties, Defendant Grand Sierra Unit Owners Association and Defendant MEI-GSR are required to prepare accountings of their financial affairs as they pertain to Plaintiffs.
- 213. Defendant Grand Sierra Unit Owners Association and Defendant MEI-GSR have failed to properly prepare and distribute said accountings.
  - 214. Accordingly, Plaintiffs are entitled to a full and proper accounting.

**WHEREFORE**, Plaintiffs request judgment against the Defendants MEI-GSR and the Grand Sierra Unit Owners Association, as set forth below.

## TENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF (Specific Performance Pursuant to NRS 116.112, Unconscionable Agreement)

- 215. Plaintiffs re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 212 of this Complaint as though fully stated herein and hereby incorporate them by this reference as if fully set forth below.
- 216. As alleged herein, Plaintiffs entered into one or more contracts with Defendant MEI-GSR, including the Grand Sierra Resort Unit Rental Agreement and the Unit Maintenance Agreement.
- 217. The Grand Sierra Resort Unit Rental Agreement is unconscionable pursuant to NRS § 116.112 because MEI-GSR has manipulated the rental of the: (1) hotel rooms owned by Defendant MEI-GSR; (2) GSR Condo Units owned or controlled by Defendant MEI-GSR; and (3) GSR Condo Units owned by Individual Unit Owners so as to maximize Defendant MEI-GSR's profits and devalue the GSR Condo Units owned by the Individual Unit Owners.
- 218. The Unit Maintenance Agreement is unconscionable pursuant to NRS § 116.112 because of the excessive fees charged and the Individual Unit Owners' inability to reject fee increases.

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1	227.	Defendant Gage Village has worked in concert with Defendant MEI-GSR in its
2	scheme to de	value the GSR Condo Units and repurchase them.
3	WHE	REFORE, Plaintiffs request judgment against the Defendants as follows:
4	1.	For the appointment of a neutral receiver to take over control of Defendant
5		Grand Sierra Unit Owners' Association;
6	2.	For compensatory damages according to proof, in excess of \$10,000.00;
7	3.	For punitive damages according to proof;
8	4.	For attorneys' fees and costs according to proof;
9	5.	For declaratory relief;
10	6.	For specific performance;
11	7.	For an accounting; and
12	8.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.
13		AFFIRMATION
14	Pursu	ant to NRS 239B.030, the undersigned does hereby affirm that this document does
15	not contain th	ne social security number of any person.
16	RESP	ECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 26 <sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.
17		ROBERTSON, JOHNSON, MILLER & WILLIAMSON
18		50 West Liberty Street, Suite 600 Reno, Nevada 89501
19		Teno, Nevada 05501
20		By: <u>/s/ Jarrad C. Miller</u> G. David Robertson, Esq.
21		Jarrad C. Miller, Esq. Jonathan J. Tew, Esq.
22		Attorneys for Plaintiffs
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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 2 Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I hereby certify that I am an employee of Robertson, Johnson, 3 Miller & Williamson, 50 West Liberty Street, Suite 600, Reno, Nevada 89501, over the age of 18, and not a party within this action. I further certify that on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013, I 4 electronically filed the foregoing SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT with the Clerk of the 5 Court by using the ECF system which served the following parties electronically: 6 7 Sean L. Brohawn, Esq. 50 W. Liberty Street, Suite 1040 Reno, NV 89501 9 Attorneys for Defendants / Counterclaimants 10 11 /s/ Kimberlee A. Hill An Employee of Robertson, Johnson, Miller & Williamson 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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## IN THE SECOND JUDICAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

ALBERT THOMAS, individually; JANE 12 DUNLAP, individually; JOHN DUNLAP, individually; BARRY HAY, individually; 13 MARIE-ANNE ALEXANDER, as Trustee of the MARIE-ANNIE ALEXANDER LIVING 14 TRUST; MELISSA VAGUJHELYI and GEORGE VAGUJHELYI, as Trustees of the GEORGE VAGUJHELYI AND MELISSA VAGUJHELYI 16 2001 FAMILY TRUST AGREEMENT, U/T/A APRIL 13, 2001; D' ARCY NUNN, individually; 17 HENRY NUNN, individually: MADELYN VAN DER BOKKE, individually; LEE VAN DER 18 BOKKE, individually; DONALD SCHREIFELS, individually; ROBERT R. PEDERSON, 19 individually and as Trustee of the PEDERSON 1990 TRUST; LOU ANN PEDERSON, 20 individually and as Trustee of the PEDERSON 21 1990 TRUST; LORI ORDOVER, individually; WILLIAM A. HENDERSON, individually; 22 CHRISTINE E. HENDERSON, individually: LOREN D. PARKER, individually; SUZANNE 23 C. PARKER, individually; MICHAEL IZADY, individually; STEVEN TAKAKI, individually; 24 FARAD TORABKHAN, individually; SAHAR TAVAKOL, individually; M&Y HOLDINGS, 25 LLC; JL&YL HOLDINGS, LLC; SANDI RAINES, individually; R. RAGHURAM, 26 individually; USHA RAGHURAM, individually; 27 LORI K. TOKUTOMI, individually; GARRET TOM, individually; ANITA TOM, individually;

RAMON FADRILAN, individually; FAYE FADRILAN, individually; PETER K. LEE and

Case No.: CV12-02222

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## ANSWER TO SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT AND COUNTERCLAIM

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MONICA L. LEE, as Trustees of the LEE
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   FAMILY 2002 REVOCABLE TRUST;
   DOMINIC YIN, individually; ELIAS SHAMIEH,
    individually; JEFFREY QUINN, individually;
   BARBARA ROSE QUINN individually;
   KENNETH RICHE, individually; MAXINE
   RICHE, individually; NORMAN CHANDLER,
   individually; BENTON WAN, individually;
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    TIMOTHY D. KAPLAN, individually;
    SILKSCAPE INC.; PETER CHENG, individually;
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    GROUP, LLC; RICHARD LUTZ, individually;
   SANDRA LUTZ, individually; MARY A.
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   GUPTA, individually; SEEMA GUPTA,
    individually; FREDRICK FISH, individually;
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   LISA FISH, individually; ROBERT A.
    WILLIAMS, individually; JACQUELIN PHAM.
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    individually; MAY ANN HOM, as Trustee of the
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    individually; DOMINIC YIN, individually;
   DUANE WINDHORST, individually; MARILYN
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   WINDHORST, individually; VINOD BHAN,
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   individually; ANNE BHAN, individually; GUY P.
   BROWNE, individually; GARTH A. WILLIAMS,
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   individually; PAMELA Y. ARATANI, individually;
   DARLENE LINDGREN, individually; LAVERNE
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    ROBERTS, individually; DOUG MECHAM,
   individually; CHRISINE MECHAM, individually;
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   KWANGSOO SON, individually; SOO YEUN
   MOON, individually; JOHNSON AKINDODUNSE,
   individually; IRENE WEISS, as Trustee of the
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   |WEISS FAMILY TRUST: PRAVESH CHOPRA,
   individually; TERRY POPE, individually; NANCY
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   POPE, individually; JAMES TAYLOR,
   individually; RYAN TAYLOR, individually; KI
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   HAM, individually; YOUNG JA CHOI,
   individually; SANG DEE SOHN, individually;
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   KUK HYUNG (CONNIE), individually;
   SANG (MIKE) YOO, individually; BRETT
   MENMUIR, as Trustee of the CAYENNE TRUST:
   WILLIAM MINER, JR., individually; CHANH
   TRUONG, individually; ELIZABETH ANDERS
   MECUA, individually; SHEPHERD MOUNTAIN,
   LLC; ROBERT BRUNNER, individually; AMY
   BRUNNER, individually; JEFF RIOPELLE,
   individually; PATRICIA M. MOLL, individually;
   DANIEL MOLL, individually; and DOE
   PLAINTIFFS 1 THROUGH 10, inclusive,
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3	V.	
4	MEI-GSR HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, GRAND SIERRA RESORT	•
5	UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, a Nevada	
6	nonprofit corporation, GAGE VILLAGE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, a	
7	Nevada Limited Liability Company and DOE DEFENDANTS 1 THROUGH 10, inclusive,	
8	Defendants.	
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Counter-Defendants

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#### **ANSWER**

Defendants, MEI-GSR HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("GSR"), GRAND SIERRA RESORT UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, a Nevada nonprofit corporation ("GSR UOA"), GAGE VILLAGE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company ("Gage Village") (collectively "Defendants"), by and through their counsel of record, SEAN L. BROHAWN, PLLC, for their answer to Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint, allege as follows:

collects association dues that vary depending upon the size of the unit, as provided in the

Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to

Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 134.

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Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 157.

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1	60.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 158.							
2	61.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 159.							
3	62.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 160.							
4	63.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 161.							
5	64.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 162.							
6		THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF							
7	65.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 163, Defendants incorporate the							
8	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.							
9	66.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 164, Defendants admit that GSR has							
	entered into U	nit Rental Agreements with certain individual condo Unit owners. Defendants							
10	deny the rema	ining allegations of Paragraph 164.							
11	67.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 165.							
12	68.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 166, Defendants admit that GSR has							
13	entered into in	dividual Unit Rental Agreements with certain individual condo Unit owners, but							
14	has not entered into a global agreement regarding Unit rental with Unit Owners as a whole.								
15	Defendants admit that each individual existing rental agreement is enforceable. Defendants deny								
16	the remaining	allegations of Paragraph 166.							
17	69.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 167.							
18	70.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 168.							
19	71.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 169.							
20		FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF							
21	72.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 170, Defendants incorporate the							
22	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.							
23	73.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 171, Defendants admit that GSR and							
24	Plaintiffs are c	ontractually obligated to each other, under one or more types of agreements							
25	between them.	Defendants deny the remaining allegations of Paragraph 171.							
26	74.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to							
27	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 172 and, therefore, the same are denied.							
28	75.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 173.							
	76.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 174.							

1	77.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 175.
2	78.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 176.
3	79.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 177.
4	. 80.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 178.
5	81.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 179.
6	82.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 180.
7		FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
8	83.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 181, Defendants incorporate the
9	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.
10	84.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 182, Defendants admit that GSR and
	Plaintiffs are o	contractually obligated to each other, under one or more types of agreements
11	between them	. Defendants deny the remaining allegations of Paragraph 182.
12	85.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 183, Defendants admit that individual
13	rental agreeme	ents require GSR to market and rent individually owned units. Defendants deny
14	the remaining	allegations of Paragraph 183.
15	86.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 184.
16	87.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 185.
17	88.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 186.
18	89.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 187.
19	90.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 188.
20		SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
21	91.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 189, Defendants incorporate the
22	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.
23	92.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 190, Defendants assert that NRS 41.600
24	speaks for itse	lf. Defendants deny the remaining allegations of Paragraph 190.
25	93.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 191, Defendants assert that NRS 41.600
26	speaks for itse	lf. Defendants deny the remaining allegations of Paragraph 191.
27	94.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 192, Defendants assert that NRS Chapte
30	598 speaks for	itself. Defendants deny the remaining allegations of Paragraph 192.

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1	96.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 194.
2	97.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 195.
3	98.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 196.
4	99.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 197.
5		SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
6	100.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 198, Defendants incorporate the
7	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.
8	101.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to
9	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 199 and, therefore, the same are denied.
10	102.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to
	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 200 and, therefore, the same are denied.
11	103.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to
12	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 201 and, therefore, the same are denied.
13	104.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to
14	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 202 and, therefore, the same are denied.
5	105.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to
16	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 203 and, therefore, the same are denied.
17		EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
18	106.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 204, Defendants incorporate the
19	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.
20	107.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 205.
21	108.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 206.
22	109.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 207.
23		NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
24	110.	Answering the allegations of Paragraph 208, Defendants incorporate the
25	preceding alle	gations of this Answer, as if the same were set forth at length herein.
26	111.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to
27	the truth of the	e allegations contained in Paragraph 209 and, therefore, the same are denied.
28	112.	Defendants deny the allegations of Paragraph 210.
-	113.	Defendants are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to

#### AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Complaint fails to state a claim or cause of action against Defendants for which relief can be granted.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs have failed to mitigate their damages and, to the extent of such failure of such mitigation, are precluded from recovery herein.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants allege that the incidents referred to in the Complaint, and any and all injuries and damages resulting therefrom, if any occurred, were caused or contributed to by the acts or omissions of a third party over whom Defendants had no control.

#### FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants allege that the injuries or damages suffered by Plaintiffs, if any, were caused in whole or in part by an independent intervening cause over which these Defendants had no control.

#### FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The injuries or damages, if any, sustained by Plaintiffs were caused in whole, or in part, through the negligence of others who were not the agents of these Defendants or acting on behalf of the these Defendants.

#### SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The injuries or damages, if any, suffered by Plaintiffs, were caused in whole, or in part, or were contributed to by reason of the negligence of Plaintiffs.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims are barred by one or more statutes of limitations.

#### EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs assumed the risk of injury by virtue of its own conduct.

#### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs waived the causes of action asserted herein.

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#### TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendants presently have insufficient knowledge or information upon which to form a belief as to whether they may have additional, and as yet, unstated affirmative defenses available. Defendants therefore reserve the right to assert additional affirmative defenses in the event discovery indicates that they are appropriate.

WHEREFORE, Defendants pray that:

- 1. Plaintiffs' Complaint be dismissed, with prejudice.
- 2. For all litigation expenses, costs, attorney's fees, and other damages incurred in defending against the Complaint; and
  - 3. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper.

#### **COUNTERCLAIM**

Counterclaimant MEI-GSR HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("GSR"), for its counterclaim against Counter-Defendants, alleges as follows:

- 1. The named Counter-Defendants are all current or former owners of one or more hotel-condominiums within the project known as the Grand Sierra Resort Unit-Owners' Association (the "Project").
- 2. The Counter-Defendants referred to herein as DOES 1 through 200 are as yet unknown parties to the UMAs an/or CC&Rs referred to herein, or are current or former owners of one or more hotel-condominiums within the Project, and as such owe duties to GSR under such contracts, or based upon other causes of action. GSR will seek leave of this Court to amend this Counterclaim to name such parties at such time as their identities become known to GSR.
- 3. GSR is a successor declarant in the Project, and as such, is entitled to collect certain non-homeowner's association dues and/or fees under the CC&Rs governing the Project, and under separate Unit Maintenance Agreements between each unit owner in the Project and GSR.
- 4. GSR has demanded that Counter-Defendants pay the full amount of dues and fees owed by them under the CC&Rs and/or the UMAs, but to date, Counter-Defendants have failed or refused to make all such payments.
  - 5. Additionally, each UMA requires the unit owner to provide active credit card

information to GSR, as a source for payment of certain expenses incurred by the unit owner.

- 6. Some of the Counter-Defendants have failed or refused to provide active credit card information to GSR, in compliance with the UMAs.
- 7. Prior to bringing this Counterclaim, GSR provided notice to each Counter-Defendant of the above breaches of the UMAs, and provided each Counter-Defendant with at leas 60 days within which to cure such breaches, however, Counter-Defendants have failed or refused to cure all such breaches.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of Contract)

- 8. GSR incorporates by reference the preceding Paragraphs of this Counterclaim as if set forth at length herein.
  - 9. GSR and Counter-Defendants are parties to the CC&Rs and UMAs.
- 10. GSR has performed all obligations required to be performed by it under the CC&Rs and UMAs, or was excused from performance of such obligations due to Counter-Defendants' conduct.
- 11. Counter-Defendants have breached the CC&Rs and UMAs by failing to pay all sums when due under those agreements and/or by failing to provide active credit card information as required by the UMAs, despite individual written demands by GSR.
- 12. Counter-Defendants' breaches of the CC&Rs and UMAs have foreseeably caused GSR damages in an amount in excess of \$10,000, subject to proof at trial.

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory Relief)

- 13. GSR incorporates by reference the preceding paragraphs of this Counterclaim as if set forth at length herein.
- 14. GSR asserts that the CC&Rs and UMAs are valid and existing contracts to which each Counter-Defendant is a party, and that Counter-Defendants owe duties to GSR under those contracts. On information and belief, Counter-Defendants deny that they owe duties to GSR under the C&Rs and UMAs.

- 15. An actual controversy has arisen and now exists between GSR and Counter-Defendants concerning their respective rights, entitlements, obligations and duties under the CC&Rs and UMAs.
- 16. GSR therefore requests a declaratory judgment determining the parties' rights under the CC&Rs and UMAs.

#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Injunctive Relief)

- 17. GSR incorporates by reference the preceding paragraphs of this Counterclaim as if set forth at length herein.
- 18. Counter-Defendants are obligated under each UMA to provide active credit card information to GSR to help defray charges incurred under each UMA. Several of the Counter-Defendants have failed or refused to provide such credit card information to GSR.
- 19. GSR therefore requests that this Court enter a mandatory injunction requiring Counter-Defendants to provide active credit card information to GSR, as required by the UMAs. WHEREFORE, GSR requests relief against Counter-Defendants as follows:
- 1. That GSR be granted judgment for all past due dues, fees, and related charges owed by Counter-Defendants under the CC&Rs and UMAs, in an amount in excess of \$10,000, subject to proof at trial;
- 2. That this Court enter a declaratory judgment determining the parties' rights under the CC&Rs and UMAs;
- 3. That this Court enter a mandatory injunction requiring Counter-Defendants to provide active credit card information to GSR, as required by the UMAs;
  - 4. For costs of suit incurred herein, interest, and attorneys' fees; and
  - 5. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

Pursuant to NRS 239B.030, the undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the social security number of any person.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2013,

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#### 1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 2 Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of the law firm of SEAN L. 3 BROHAWN, PLLC, and that on the date shown below, I caused service of a true and correct 4 copy of the attached: ANSWER TO SECONDN AMENDED COMPLAINT AND COUNTERCLAIM 5 6 to be completed by: personally delivering 7 sending via Federal Express or other overnight delivery service 8 depositing for mailing in the U.S. mail with sufficient postage affixed thereto 9 delivery via facsimile machine to fax no. 10 delivery via e-mail/Electronic court filing 11 12 addressed to: 13 G. David Robertson, Esq. (NV Bar No. 1001) (775) 329-5600 Attorneys for Jarrad C. Miller, Esq. (NV Bar No. 7093) Plaintiffs 14 Jonathan J. Tew, Esq. (NV Bar No. 11874) 15 Robertson, Johnson, Miller & Williamson 50 West Liberty Street, Suite 600 16 Reno, Nevada 89501 17 18 \_day of May, 2013. 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27