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DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

FORE STARS, LTD., a Nevada Limited Liability Company; 180 LAND CO., LLC; a Nevada limited liability company; SEVENTY ACRES, LLC, a Nevada Limited liability company,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

DANIEL OMERZA, DARREN BRESEE, STEVE CARIA, and DOES 1 THROUGH 100,

Defendant(s).

Case No.: A-18-771224-C

Dept. No.: 19

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND ADDITIONAL MONETARY RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRS 41.670 AND NRS 18.010(2)

This matter came before the Court on Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010(2) on March 31, 2021. Thereafter, Plaintiffs filed their Notice of Appeal on May 5, 2021. The Nevada Supreme Court Ordered: (1) the District Court's order granting [Defendants'] special motion to dismiss is affirmed; (2) the District Court's order awarding attorney fees is vacated; and (3) the matter is remanded back to the District Court to consider the <u>Brunzell</u> factors and make the necessary findings to support the fee amount awarded.¹

Having considered the Motion, Opposition and Reply, all papers related thereto, oral argument, and the papers and pleadings on file herein, the Court finds:

1. Defendants' anti-SLAPP Motion to Dismiss filed pursuant to NRS 41.635, et. seq. was granted in full and all of Plaintiffs' claims were dismissed by way of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order entered on December 10, 2020;

¹ <u>See</u> Supreme Court Order Affirming (Docket No. 82338) and Vacating and Remanding (Docket No. 82880) dated April 29, 2022.

- 2. Defendants' filed a timely motion seeking attorneys' fees and additional monetary relief pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010(2);
 - 3. Plaintiffs filed a timely opposition to the Motion and Defendants filed a timely reply;
- 4. In the Motion, Defendants seek attorneys' fees based on the Lodestar method (rate multiplied by hours) in the amount of \$363,244.00.
- 5. However, once that amount is determined, a court must also consider the reasonableness in light of the Brunzell factors." Id. Those factors are:
- (1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work;
- (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived *Brunzell v*. *Golden Gate Nat. Bank*, 85 Nev. 345, 349 (1969).
- 6. Defendants also seek an enhancement because Defendants' counsel agreed to prosecute the anti-SLAPP motion on a contingency basis;
- 7. Defendants further seek an additional monetary award of \$10,000 per Defendant pursuant to NRS 41.670;
 - 8. With regard to the "Brunzell factors" Id., the Court finds as follows:

A. Quality of the Advocate

Mitchell Langberg was lead counsel on this matter who worked 182.2 hours not including the Motion for Attorney Fees. His initial rate was \$655 then increased over the 2 1/2 year duration of the case, by only 5% to \$690.5. Per his declaration, he graduated from the University of Southern California School of Law in 1994. During his 26 years of practice, one of his primary focuses has been on defamation and First Amendment litigation. He is recognized by Best Lawyers in the area of Media and First Amendment Law. He is recognized with a Preeminent AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Langberg has handled

approximately 50 cases involving anti-SLAPP motions representing both plaintiffs and defendants.

Aaron Hughes assisted Mr. Langberg until he left the Brownstein firm. He worked 306.9 hours on this matter at a rate of \$485. According to Mr. Langberg's Declaration, Mr. Hughes is a 1990 graduate from the University of California at Berkeley School of Law and is an experienced trial attorney working in a broad range of areas including intellectual property, securities litigation, and antitrust. Per Mr. Langberg's Declaration, Mr. Hughes is well-regarded for his skills as an appellate brief writer, having prepared winning briefs to the United States Supreme Court and the Colorado Supreme Court. Further, Mr. Hughes performed almost all of the brief writing, up to and including the successful briefing on appeal.

Nancy Lee assisted Mr. Langberg and Mr. Hughes with research and brief writing. She worked 97 hours on this matter. Her hourly rate was \$450 until she left the firm. Ms. Lee is a 2004 graduate from Loyola Laws School in Los Angeles with diverse experience in a host of civil litigation matters. Ms. Lee previously worked at preeminent law firms including Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, Buchalter Nemer, and Loeb & Loeb.

The three remaining billers (Frank Schreck – 22.6 hours, Laura Langberg – 6 hours, William Nobriga – 5.5 hours) worked only 5.5% of total hours billed on various tasks. Most of Mr. Schreck's time was spent participating in initial client interviews and providing facts regarding underlying court cases and City Council proceedings that were critical to the anti-SLAPP motion.

Based on the experience and quality of the advocates, the hourly rates were reasonable.

B. Character of Work to be Done

The work itself implicated important First Amendment rights on issues that are of immense concern in this community—including matters of regulating development and resident input in that process. The anti-SLAPP statute, itself, is designed to identify meritless litigation arising from the exercise of First Amendment rights. The fact the Legislature has

created a special procedure in these cases emphasizes the social importance of anti-SLAPP litigation. Further, when taken in the context of a developer with expansive financial resources attempting to silence its opposition in their attempts to have their concerns heard by the City Counsel, speaks volumes about the challenges in the case. Therefore, the character of work extremely significant.

C. The Work Actually Performed

A review of the timeline, exhibits and information submitted by defendants, shows that much of the required work was necessitated by Plaintiffs' litigation strategy in the matter. The complaint alleged numerous tort claims against Defendants in retaliation to their efforts to garner support to oppose a development in the City Council. The record shows that Plaintiffs also made efforts to force discovery while the appeal was pending, even though the anti-SLAPP statute created a mandatory stay. There were several instances throughout the case where the process appeared to be extended by plaintiffs, requiring more legal work and corresponding increased fees. Ultimately, an objective review of all of the work performed in the case, including hundreds of pages of briefs, countless cites to legal authority, extensive research efforts, and more, reveals that several hundred hours of attorney time were reasonably required to defend the case.

D. The Result

Here, the Court initially determined the anti-SLAPP statute did not bar Plaintiffs' claims. Defense counsel then successfully litigated an appeal, had the decision reversed, and on remand persuaded the Court that the lawsuit must be dismissed pursuant to the anti-SLAPP statute. Despite the contingent nature of the fees, counsel marshalled his skills and experience, and devoted the extensive time and attention required to overcome the Court's initial rulings. This work and effort culminated in a successful conclusion to the case in favor of the client.

For the reasons stated by the Court on the record (NRCP 52(a)(3)), as well as the Court's above analysis of the "Brunzell factors," the Court finds that the hourly rates and the hours requested by Defendants for attorneys' fees are reasonable and that the Lodestar fees based on those reasonable rates and hours are \$363,244.00.

9. The Court also finds that a fee enhancement, as requested by Defendants, is not appropriate in this matter. Although the legal work in this case was taken on a continent fee basis, which is rare in defense of a situation, the full extent of the risk of non-payment which is normally associated with contingent fees, is not present in an "anti-SLAPP" defense. Under NRS 41.635 attorneys' fees must be awarded to defendant if successful on the motion. This diminished the risk attorneys must typically endure when handling a contingent fee case.

10. The Court also finds that an additional monetary award to Defendants pursuant to NRS 41.670 is not appropriate in this matter. This additional award can be used to compensate defendants who have had to endure the stress of ongoing litigation and the expenditure of attorney fees. The award can also be a deterrent to plaintiffs from filing lawsuits which violate the First Amendment protections. Here, however, defendants were not subject to the excessive stress associated with paying attorney fees out of pocket to defend the suit due to the contingent fee agreement. Further, the court does not find that Plaintiff brought or maintained the case in bad faith so there is no reason to grant an additional money award to deter Plaintiff.

Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that:

- 1. Defendants' Motion is GRANTED; and
- 2. Plaintiffs are hereby jointly and severally ORDERED to pay to Defendants attorneys' fees in the amount of \$363,244.00.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 19th day of September, 2022

939 DF3 9D05 5404 Crystal Eller District Court Judge

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Defendants,

CASE NO.: A-18-771224-C DEPT. NO.: 19

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO RECONSIDER ORDER **GRANTING ATTORNEY'S FEES POST-REMAND**

Plaintiffs' Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Attorney's Fees Post-Remand (the "Motion") came on for chambers hearing before this Court on June 2, 2023.

After considering the Motion, the opposition thereto, and the reply in support thereof, the Court will deny the motion:

- 1. On October 3, 2022, Plaintiffs filed their Motion seeking reconsideration of this Court's September 19, 2022, Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010(2) (the "Fee Motion").
 - 2. Defendants filed their opposition to the Motion on October 17, 2022.
 - 3. Plaintiffs filed their reply in support of the Motion on October 28, 2022.

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- 4. EDCR 2.24 provides that "[n]o 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." "[A] court may correct a clerical mistake or a mistake arising from oversight or omission whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record." NRCP 60(a). This may be done by the court sua sponte or on a timely motion from the parties, and does not require notice by the court. *Id*.
- 5. To prevail on a motion for reconsideration, the moving party must establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court's decision was clearly erroneous. *See Masonry & Tile Contractors Ass'n of S. Nevada v. Jolley, Urga, & Wirth, Ltd.*, 113 Nev. 737, 741 (1997).
- 6. "A finding is 'clearly erroneous' when although there is evidence to support it, the reviewing court on the entire evidence is left with the definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." *U.S v. Gypsum*, 333 *U.S.* 364, 395 (1948).
- 7. Finally, any "[p]oints or contentions not raised in the original hearing cannot be maintained or considered on rehearing." *Achrem v. Expressway Plaza Ltd. P'ship*, 112 Nev. 737, 742 (1996).
- 8. Plaintiffs have failed to establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court's decision was clearly erroneous.
- 9. Defendants are correct in that the Nevada Supreme Court remanded this matter to the District Court for the sole purpose of considering the *Brunzell* factors in granting Defendants' request for attorney's fees. Specifically, the Nevada Supreme Court Ordered, "Consistent with the foregoing, we affirm the district court's order granting respondents' special motion to dismiss in Docket No. 82338, and we vacate the order awarding attorney fees in Docket 82880, and remand for the court to consider the *Brunzell* factors and make the necessary findings to support the fee amount awarded."

- 10. This Court considered the *Brunzell* factors and issued its own Order on the matter, filed on September 19, 2022 [Docket #132], which articulated the factors this Court considered and necessary findings to support its decision in granting Defendants' Motion for attorney's fees.
- 11. Plaintiffs' new argument that reasonable fees must include fees for which the Defendants are liable is not a basis for reconsideration.
- 12. The Court does not need to resolve these issues. As noted above, when an anti-SLAPP motion is granted, the Court "shall award reasonable costs and attorney's fees." NRS 41.670(1)(a). The Nevada Supreme Court has repeatedly directed that application of the *Brunzell* factors are the method by which a reasonable fee is determined and this Court interprets this to mean that only the Brunzell factors shall be analyzed and that it shall award fees that are reasonable pursuant to *Brunzell*.
 - 13. Thus, whether the Court is considering:
 - (a) A traditional hourly arrangement;
 - (b) fees paid by a third party (*Macias v. Hartwell*, 55 Cal. App. 4th 669, 674-75 (1997)—anti-SLAPP fees awarded even if third party, not defendant, paid fee);
 - (c) a pro bono relationship (*See Rosenaur v. Scherer*, 88 Cal. App. 4th 260, 281-287 (2001), as modified (Apr. 5, 2001)—anti-SLAPP fees on pro bono matter)
 - (d) a contingency fee arrangement (See Ketchum v. Moses, 24 Cal. 4th 1122, 1132-33 (2001) granting fees to contingency fee counsel on anti-SLAPP motion); or
 - (e) a contingency fee arrangement without a written agreement that could somehow be challenged by third parties such as Plaintiffs (Restatement (Third) of the Law Governing Lawyers § 39 (2000)—lawyer entitled to reasonable fee even where there is no valid contract),
- the Court's task is the same: to determine and award reasonable attorneys' fees. That is exactly what the Court did.

1	14. Thus, there was no basis for reconsideration.
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3	Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion to Reconsider Order Granting
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Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys' Fees (the "Supplemental Fee Motion") and Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply.(the "Sur-Reply Motion") came on for chambers hearing before this Court on June 2, 2023.

After considering the Supplemental Fee Motion and the Sur-Reply Motion and all of the papers filed in support of and in opposition to the motions, the Court makes the follow order granting the Supplemental Fee Motion, in part, and denying the Sur-Reply Motion as moot:

1. Defendants' anti-SLAPP motion under NRS 41.670 was granted and substantively affirmed by the Nevada Supreme Court. The Nevada Supreme Court reversed the initial attorneys' fee award for reconsideration after further consideration of the *Brunzell* factors.

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- 2. On remand, this Court issued a fee award.
- 3. On November 23, 2022, Defendants filed the Supplemental Fee Motion seeking fees for work that had not been addressed by this Court's prior fee award, including the fees related to the appeal.
- 4. Plaintiffs filed their opposition to the Supplemental Fee Motion on December 23, 2022.
- 5. Defendants filed their reply in support of the Supplemental Fee Motion on January 6, 2023.
 - 6. Plaintiffs filed their Sur-Reply Motion on January 17, 2023.
- 7. In a case where claims have been successfully dismissed by way of an anti-SLAPP motion, NRS 41.670(1)(a) states that a court "shall award reasonable cost and attorney's fees to the person against whom the action was brought."
- 8. An award of additional amounts, up to \$10,000, are also permitted under NRS 41.670(1)(b).
- 9. Further, where all claims are disposed of by the motion, fees incurred that are not directly related to the anti-SLAPP motion are recoverable. See Goldman v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 2020 WL 5633065, *1, *5 (Nev. Sept. 18, 2020)(affirming an award of fees and costs "because the facts and legal arguments in the NRCP 12(b)(5) motion were intrinsically intertwined with those in the anti-SLAPP motion").
- 10. Further, such fees shall include "all reasonable fees and costs incurred from the inception of the litigation..." Smith v. Zilverberg, 137 Nev. 65, 73 (2021). This means that a prevailing defendant is entitled "to recover reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in the entire action, not just those incurred litigating the anti-SLAPP special motion to dismiss." Id. at 75.
- 11. Additionally, NRS 18.010 provides for an award of attorney's fees where: (1) authorized by a specific statute; (2) the prevailing party has not recovered more than \$20,000; or (3) notwithstanding the recovery sought, the court finds that a "claim, counterclaim, cross-claim

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or third-party complaint or defense" was maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party."

- 12. Additionally, the provisions of the statute are to be "liberally construe[d] ... in favor of awarding attorney's fees in all appropriate situations." Id.
- 13. Further, such an award is also intended as a sanction to punish and deter frivolous and vexatious claims, pursuant to NRCP 11. Id. "[A] claim is frivolous or groundless if there is no credible evidence to support it." Capanna v. Orth, 134 Nev. 888, 895 (2018).
- 14. Here, an award of fees is warranted. NRS 41.670(1)(a) is abundantly clear that the Court "shall award" reasonable costs and fees.
- 15. In opposition to this motion and in other papers filed with this Court, Plaintiffs have repeatedly argued that no fees can be awarded under the anti-SLAPP Statute unless Defendants prove that are actually liable for, or have actually paid attorneys fees, or that they provide a copy of a contingency agreement. Plaintiffs argue that in the absence of evidence that the work performed by defense counsel created a legal obligation for defendants to pay, no fees should be awarded because "[t]his is not a contingency case; it is a pro bono case."
- 16. The Court does not need to resolve these issues. As noted above, when an anti-SLAPP motion is granted, the Court "shall award reasonable costs and attorney's fees." NRS 41.670(1)(a). The Nevada Supreme Court has repeatedly directed that application of the *Brunzell* factors are the method by which a reasonable fee is determined and this Court interprets this to mean that only the Brunzell factors shall be analyzed and that it shall award fees that are reasonable pursuant to Brunzell.
- 17. Thus, this Court is required to consider the Brunzell factors in considering Defendants' request for supplemental fees in the amount of \$43,620.50 which is the *Lodestar* amount (rate multiplied by hours) requested by Defendants' counsel.
- 18. The factors are (1) the qualities of the advocate: their ability, training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation; (3) the

work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work; (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived. *Brunzell v.Golden Gate Nat. Bank*, 85 Nev. 345, 349 (1969).

- 19. As to the quality of the advocate, Mitchell Langberg performed the majority of the work for the supplemental fees requested. The Court finds, as set out in his declaration, that Mitchell Langberg has been lead counsel on this matter. He graduated from the University of Southern California School of Law in 1994. During his 29 years of practice, one of his primary focuses has been on defamation and First Amendment litigation. He is recognized by Best Lawyers in the area of Media and First Amendment Law. He is recognized with a Preeminent AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Langberg has handled approximately 50 cases involving anti-SLAPP motions (on both sides). He testified as an expert in the Nevada Legislature when the current anti-SLAPP statute was debated in 2015. He has taught anti-SLAPP law, including most recently as a lecturer on the subject at the Colorado Judicial Conference. As further set out in Mr. Langberg's declaration, Laura Langberg briefly assisted on this case. She is a 2007 J.D./M.B.A. graduate of the Boyd School of Law. She has worked with Mr. Langberg on defamation cases since 2008 and has assisted with several anti-SLAPP motions and oppositions. Based on these undisputed facts, this Court finds that the quality of the advocates is very high.
- 20. As to the character of the work done, as this Court has previously found in this case, the work itself implicated important First Amendment rights on issues that are of immense concern in this community—including matters of regulating development and resident input in that process. The anti-SLAPP statute, itself, is designed to identify meritless litigation arising from the exercise of First Amendment rights. The fact the Legislature has created a special procedure in these cases emphasizes the social importance of anti-SLAPP litigation. Further, when taken in the context of a developer with expansive financial resources attempting to silence its opposition in their attempts to have their concerns heard by the City Counsel, speaks volumes about the challenges in the case. Therefore, the character of work is extremely significant.
- 21. As to the work actually performed, the Court has reviewed the charges provided by Defendants setting out the work performed by category. All of the work was necessitated by

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Plaintiffs' persistent pursuit of claims seeking damages of tens of millions of dollars in the Nevada Supreme Court—claims that Court has confirmed lacked all merit. Defendants' counsel spent less than 60 hours to resist a motion for reconsideration, draft a settlement conference statement, attend a mandatory settlement conference in person, draft an appeal brief on the complicated issues in this case, and then resist yet another motion for reconsideration. The Court is directly familiar with all the work that was filed with this Court and, based on the Nevada Supreme Court decision and the Court's own experience, understands the work that was required for the settlement conference and the appellate briefing. Defendants' efforts were successful and the quality of the work was clearly very good. The number of hours requested is very reasonable in light of the work performed.

- As to the result, Defendants were successful. The Nevada Supreme Court 22. affirmed the substantive grant of the anti-SLAPP motion. Remand was only for this Court to reconsider the amount of fees and expressly articulate the application of the Brunzell factors in its order. And, this Court issued an award of the full fees after again considering the Brunzell factors.
- 23. The Court finds that the rates applied by counsel for the *Lodestar* analysis are reasonable. When this case began several years ago, the rate of \$655 per hour Mr. Langberg applied for this matter was less than his regular billable rate. In the more than four years since then, Mr. Langberg's standard billable rate has increased annually, which is common in the legal community. Another Court in this district has recently approved Mr. Langberg's rate of \$825 per hour on an anti-SLAPP motion. For the work that is the subject of the Supplemental Fee Motion, Mr. Langberg has requested only \$700 per hour, less than 7% more than his initial rate was more than four years ago. The rate applied to Mrs. Langberg's limited work was \$505.
- 24. The Court is familiar with the rates charged in this community for complex or specialty litigation such as First Amendment and anti-SLAPP litigation. The Court finds that the rates applied are reasonable and appropriate for the nature and quality of the work performed. In fact, they are lower than some rates approved on anti-SLAPP motions in this district.

1	25.	The Court also finds that the total hours requested in the Supplemental Fee Motion	
2	(58.3 hours) and the reply in support of that motion (4.6 hours) is reasonable for all of the work		
3	performed.		
4	26.	26. Therefore, the Court finds that total fees in the amount of \$43,620.50 are	
5	reasonable ar	nd appropriate after consideration of the Lodestar and Brunzell factors.	
6	27.	In the reply in support of the Supplemental Fee Motion, Defendants requested that	
7	the Court make a referral to Bar Counsel pursuant to Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct 3.3.		
8	The Court will deny that request.		
9	28.	Therefore, Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File a Sur-Reply will be denied as moot.	
10	Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that:		
11	1.	Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys Fees is GRANTED in part and	
12	DENIED in part;		
13	2.	Defendants request for attorneys' fees is GRANTED and Defendants are awarded	
14	supplemental attorneys' fees (in addition to fees already awarded by the Court) as against		
15	Plaintiffs, and each of them, jointly and severally, in the total amount of \$43,620.50, and		
16	Plaintiffs are hereby ORDERED to pay such fees to Defendants within 60 days unless this fee		
17	award is stayed pursuant to statute, rule, or subsequent court order;		
18	3.	Defendants' request for referral to Bar Counsel is DENIED; and	
19	4.	Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply is DENIED as	
20	moot.		
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06/09/2021	Recorders Transcript of Hearing [129] Recorders Transcript of Hearing Re: Anti-SLAPP, November 9, 2020
06/14/2021	Bond Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [130] Notice of Posting of Bond in the Amount of \$363,244 pending Appeal
05/25/2022	NV Supreme Court Clerks Certificate/Judgment -Remanded [131] Nevada Supreme Court Clerk's Certificate/Remittitur Judgment - Affirmed in Docket No. 82338 and Vacated and Remand in Docket No. 82880
09/19/2022	Order [132] Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees
09/19/2022	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Omerza, Daniel; Defendant Caria, Steve; Defendant Bresee, Darren [133] Notice of Entry of Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010(2)
10/03/2022	Motion to Reconsider Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [134] Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Attorney's Fees Post-Remand
10/05/2022	Order to Statistically Close Case [135] Civil Order to Statistically Close Case
10/05/2022	Clerk's Notice of Hearing [136] Clerk's Notice of Hearing

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10/17/2022	Opposition Filed By: Defendant Omerza, Daniel; Defendant Caria, Steve; Defendant Bresee, Darren [137] Defendants' Opposition To Motion To Reconsider Granting Attorney's Fees Post- Remand
10/17/2022	Notice of Appeal Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [138] Notice of Appeal
10/17/2022	Case Appeal Statement Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [139] Case Appeal Statement
10/21/2022	Notice of Cost Bond Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [140] Notice of Posting of Cost Bond
10/28/2022	Reply in Support Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [141] Plaintiff's Reply in Support of Motion for Reconsideration of Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010 (2)
11/23/2022	Supplement Filed by: Defendant Omerza, Daniel; Defendant Caria, Steve; Defendant Bresee, Darren [142] Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys' Fees
11/30/2022	Clerk's Notice of Hearing [143] Notice of Hearing
12/15/2022	Stipulation and Order [144] SAO re Briefing Deadlines and Continue Hearing
12/23/2022	Opposition to Motion Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [145] Opposition to Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorney's Fees
01/06/2023	Reply Filed by: Defendant Omerza, Daniel; Defendant Caria, Steve; Defendant Bresee, Darren [146] Reply In Support of Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys' Fees
01/17/2023	Motion for Leave to File [147] Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply
02/08/2023	Clerk's Notice of Nonconforming Document [148] Clerk's Notice of Nonconforming Document
03/08/2023	NV Supreme Court Clerks Certificate/Judgment - Dismissed [149] Nevada Supreme Court Clerk's Certificate/Remittitur Judgment - Dismissed

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03/15/2023	Clerk's Notice of Nonconforming Document and Curative Action [150] Clerk's Notice of Nonconforming and Curative Action
03/15/2023	Clerk's Notice of Hearing [151] Notice of Hearing
08/28/2023	Stipulation and Order [152] Stipulation to Exonerate Bond Posed on June 14, 2021 and Order
08/28/2023	Notice of Entry Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [153] Notice of Entry of Order
09/18/2023	Order [154] Order Granting, in Part, Defendant's Supplemental Motion for Attorney' Fees; and Denying Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply
09/18/2023	Order [155] Order Denying Plaintiffs' Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Attorney's Fees Post- Remand
09/19/2023	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Caria, Steve [156] Notice of Entry of Order Granting, In Part, Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys' Fees; and Denying Plaintiffs' Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply
09/19/2023	Notice of Entry of Order Filed By: Defendant Caria, Steve [157] Notice of Entry of Order Denying Plaintiffs Motion To Reconsider Order Granting Attorneys Fees Post-Remand
09/22/2023	Notice of Appeal Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [158] Notice of Appeal to Attorney Fee Orders
09/22/2023	Case Appeal Statement Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [159] Case Appeal Statement
09/22/2023	Notice of Posting Bond Filed By: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [160] Notice of Posting Cash Bond With Clerk of the Court
10/12/2023	Amended Notice of Appeal Party: Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd; Plaintiff Seventy Acres LLC; Plaintiff 180 Land Co LLC [161] Amended Notice of Appeal
04/01/2020	DISPOSITIONS Clerk's Certificate (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

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Debtors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant) Creditors: Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff), Daniel Omerza

(Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 04/01/2020, Docketed: 04/02/2020 Comment: Supreme Court No. 76273; Denied

12/10/2020 **Order of Dismissal** (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Debtors: Fore Stars Ltd (Plaintiff), Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff) Creditors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 12/10/2020, Docketed: 12/11/2020

Comment: Certain Claims

04/16/2021 Order (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Debtors: Fore Stars Ltd (Plaintiff), Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff) Creditors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 04/16/2021, Docketed: 04/19/2021

Total Judgment: 363,244.00

05/25/2022 Clerk's Certificate (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Debtors: Fore Stars Ltd (Plaintiff), Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff) Creditors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 05/25/2022, Docketed: 05/25/2022

Comment: Supreme Court No. 82338 Appeal Affirmed; Docket 828880 Vacated

09/19/2022 **Order** (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Debtors: Fore Stars Ltd (Plaintiff), Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff) Creditors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 09/19/2022, Docketed: 09/20/2022

Total Judgment: 363,244.00

03/08/2023 Clerk's Certificate (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Debtors: Fore Stars Ltd (Plaintiff), Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff) Creditors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 03/08/2023, Docketed: 03/10/2023

Comment: Supreme Court NO 85542 - "APPEAL DISMISSED"

09/18/2023 **Judgment for Attorney's Fees** (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Debtors: Fore Stars Ltd (Plaintiff), Seventy Acres LLC (Plaintiff), 180 Land Co LLC (Plaintiff) Creditors: Daniel Omerza (Defendant), Steve Caria (Defendant), Darren Bresee (Defendant)

Judgment: 09/18/2023, Docketed: 09/20/2023

Total Judgment: 43,620.50

Comment: Defendants are awarded supplemental attorneys fees (in addition to fees already awarded by the Court) as against Plaintiffs, and each of them, jointly and severally.

HEARINGS

04/16/2018

Minute Order (1:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Kishner, Joanna S.)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

Although the Court could and would rule fairly and without bias, recusal is appropriate in the present case in accordance with Canon 2.11(A)(3) of the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct in order to avoid the appearance of impartiality or implied bias as the Court could be viewed to have information relating to the facts and/or circumstances regarding the underlying issues. Thus, the Court recuses itself from the matter and requests that it be randomly reassigned in accordance with appropriate procedures.;

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Motion to Dismiss (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) 05/14/2018, 05/23/2018

Defendants' Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5)

Matter Continued; Matter Continued;

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DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE - Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint

Journal Entry Details:

These matters are continued to the May 30, 2018 Chambers Calendar. CLERK'S NOTE: This minute order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Natalie Ortega, to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. ndo/5/23/18;

Matter Continued;

Matter Continued:

DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE - Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint

05/14/2018 **Motion** (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

05/14/2018, 05/23/2018

Defendants' Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-Slapp Motion) Plaintiffs' Complaint Pursuant to NRS 41.635 Et. Seq

Matter Continued;

05/14/2018

All Pending Motions (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Matter Heard:

Journal Entry Details:

Arguments by Mr. Langberg and Mr. Jimmerson. Court DIRECTED, counsel to submit a 2 page Supplemental Briefing by close of business day Wednesday 05/23/18, if counsel believes there is additional information. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED to 05/23/18 Chamber Calendar. CONTINUED TO: 05/23/18 (CHAMBER CALENDAR);

05/29/2018

Minute Order (10:41 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint Minute Order - No Hearing Held; Defendants' Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint

Journal Entry Details:

The Court DENIES without prejudice Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint pursuant to NRS 41.635 et. Seq. Nevada s anti-SLAPP statute does not apply to fraudulent conduct, which Plaintiffs have alleged. Even if it did so apply, at this early stage in the litigation and given the numerous allegations of fraud, the Court is not convinced by a preponderance of the evidence that Defendants conduct constituted good faith communications in furtherance of the right to petition or the right to free speech in direct connection with an issue of public concern, as described in NRS 41.637. The Court also DENIES Defendants Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5). Plaintiffs have stated valid claims for relief. Plaintiffs shall prepare the proposed Order, adding appropriate context and authorities. The 5/30/2018 Chambers Hearing on this matter hereby VACATED. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Jennifer Lott, to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. jl;

06/27/2018

CANCELED Motion to Strike (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Vacated - per Clerk

Defendant's Motion to Strike Portions of Plaintiff's Supplement in Support of Opposition to Defendant's Special Motion to Dismiss or in the Alternative for Further Supplemental Briefing

10/19/2018

Motion for Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Truman, Erin)

Plaintiffs' Motion for Order Allowing Commencement of Discovery Granted in Part; Plaintiffs' Motion for Order Allowing Commencement of Discovery Journal Entry Details:

Mr. Jimmerson addressed Judge Scotti's ruling and the Court found that Defts' anti-slapp Motion did not apply to intentional torts pled by Plaintiffs in the case, and the Motion to Dismiss on the basis of anti-slapp was Denied. There is an immediate right to Appeal which Defts availed themselves to. Mr. Jimmerson attempted to file an Early Case Conference, however, counsel have returned before the Commissioner to begin discovery. Defts have failed to filed an Answer, but Mr. Jimmerson doesn't intent to default Defts. The case needs to go forward and begin discovery. Argument by Mr. Jimmerson. Mr. Langberg discussed whether or not the anti-slapp Statute applies to the tort causes of action that Plaintiffs asserted. Defts filed a Writ of Mandamus, however, it was not brought on the same grounds as the anti-slapp. Mr. Langberg stated the Statute says if an anti-slapp Motion is filed, discovery is stayed

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pending a ruling on the Motion. Argument by Mr. Langberg. Commissioner stated based on the Supreme Court Denial of the Petition for Writ, the case is ready to be Answered, and 16.1 should be complied with. Mr. Langberg stated the Appeal is still pending. There was a Writ as to the Denial of the 12(b)(5) Motion because there is no Appeal from that. Mr. Langberg stated there is an automatic Appeal on Denial of an anti-slapp Motion, the Appeal is still pending, and the Opening Brief is due 10-22-18. Upon Commissioner's inquiry, Mr. Jimmerson stated there are no exigent circumstances that would warrant discovery before 16.1 is complied with. Given the fact that the Appeal is still pending, and an Answer is not yet required, COMMISSIONER RECOMMENDED, there is no reasonable basis for discovery to go forward at this point, and counsel will wait until the Supreme Court hears the issue. Following that the Answer will be due, and 16.1 will be complied with. Mr. Jimmerson stated there will be a 18 month to 2 year delay. Arguments by counsel. Mr. Langberg read the Statute into the record. Commissioner doesn't believe the case is stayed under the authority cited by Mr. Langberg. The Court determined that it doesn't apply to the causes of action, therefore, COMMISSIONER RECOMMENDED, motion is GRANTED IN PART; discovery needs to go forward and within 30 days of Judge Scotti's ruling on the forthcoming Objection counsel should comply with 16.1 and file the JCCR. Mr. Langberg requested an extension to object to the Report and Recommendation. Colloquy. Mr. Jimmerson to prepare the Report and Recommendations, and Mr. Langberg to approve as to form and content. A proper report must be timely submitted within 10 days of the hearing. Otherwise, counsel will pay a contribution.;

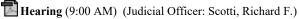
12/20/2018

CANCELED Status Check: Compliance (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Bulla, Bonnie)

Vacated - per Commissioner

Status Check: Compliance (10-19-18 Report and Recommendation)

02/20/2019



re DCRR (set by telephone conference 02/04/19)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

Arguments by counsel whether anti-slap statue applies and whether motion was filed in good faith. COURT ORDERED, matter UNDER ADVISEMENT. Court needs to review the Patton v. Lee case and whether it has jurisdiction, as well as the case law just presented.;

03/15/2019

Minute Order (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court DENIES Plaintiff's Motion to Commence Discovery, pursuant to NRS 41.660(3)(e). The Court had denied Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss, in part, on the grounds that Defendants did not meet their threshold burden of establishing, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the Land owners claims against them are based on their good faith communication in furtherance of the right to petition or the right to free speech in direct connection with an issue of public concern. See Plaintiff's Motion at p. 6 (quoting NRS 41.660(3)(a). Under these circumstances the statute mandates that the Court stay discovery pending an appeal of an Order denying the Special Motion to Dismiss. Defendants to prepare the Order. CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this Minute Order has been distributed to the following: James Jimmerson, Esq. (JJJ@jimmersonlawfirm.com) and Mitchell Langberg, Esq. (mlangberg@bhfs.com). //ev 3/15/19;

08/21/2019

Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

ISC - Supreme Court Appeal

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

Matter heard.;

10/02/2019

Status Check (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Stayed;

Journal Entry Details:

Mr. Langberg conveyed Elizabeth Ghanem emailed him that morning and advised this matter was pending in Supreme Court and she had a conflict, and the matter was still before the Supreme Court regarding the denial of the Motion to Dismiss. COURT ORDERED, Stay CONTINUED. Mr. Langberg advised discovery never commenced. COURT ORDERED, parties to SUBMIT a one-page status update 30 days after the Supreme Court rules on the

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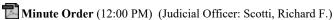
CASE NO. A-18-771224-C Appeal from the denial of the Motion to Dismiss.; 03/25/2020 **Status Check** (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Remittitur Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details: Matter heard.; 03/26/2020 CANCELED Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Vacated ISC - Supreme Court Appeal 04/06/2020 Motion (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Status Update Regarding Supreme Court Appeal Granted: Journal Entry Details: The Court GRANTS the Motion for a Status Update and hereby SETS a Status Check for Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 9AM. Further, in light of the continued ban on in-person hearings, the Court directs the parties to make the appropriate arrangements necessary to appear remotely through the available audio (CourtCall) or audiovisual (Blue Jeans) platforms in preparation for this hearing. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Elizabeth Vargas, to all registered parties for Odyssev File & Serve and mailed to the following: Seventy Acres LLC 1215 S. Fort Apache Rd. Ste 120 Las Vegas, NV 89117 180 Land Co 1215 S. Fort Apache Rd. Ste 120 Las Vegas, NV 89117 Daniel Omerza 800 Petit Chalet Court Las Vegas, NV 89145 //ev 4/20/20; 04/29/2020 **Status Check** (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Status Check: Supreme Court Appeal Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details: Lisa Rasmussen, Esq. also present on behalf of Plaintiffs. Court provided a brief overview of the history of the case. Arguments by counsel regarding additional supplemental briefing and additional discovery. Court stated counsel would be given an opportunity to provide additional briefing limited to 5 pages regarding why additional discovery was needed. COURT ORDERED, Plaintiff to provide supplemental briefing by May 6, Defendants' Opposition to the Motion due May 11, and Reply, if needed, due May 13. Court inquired if there were any issues left to decide other than limited discovery. Ms. Rasmussen stated the Supreme Court focused on one prong and not the other, and additional briefing may be needed regarding the second prong. Court stated in the event limited discovery was denied, ruling on the Motion to Dismiss would proceed. Court stated any emergency requests would be considered, and a decision would be provided by May 18, 2020 regarding the Motion for Limited Discovery. 5/13/20 STATUS CHECK: OPTIONAL REPLY (CHAMBERS) 5/18/20 MOTION FOR LIMITED DISCOVERY (CHAMBERS) 5/25/20 DECISION: MOTION TO DISMISS (CHAMBERS); 05/13/2020 Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Status Check: Optional Reply Matter Heard; Journal Entry Details: Matter heard.; 05/18/2020 Motion (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Motion for Limited Discovery Granted in Part; 05/27/2020 CANCELED Decision (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Vacated Decision: Motion to Dismiss 05/29/2020 Minute Order (10:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.) Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

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Journal Entry Details:

The Court GRANTS in part, and DENIES in part, Plaintiff's request for limited discovery. Plaintiff may serve one set of requests for production of documents, with no more than a total of fifteen (15) requests for documents to be allocated among the defendants, as Plaintiff sees fit; Defendants shall have two weeks to respond to such requests. Further, Plaintiff may take the depositions of the three defendants, each limited to four (4) hours. This limited discovery period commences immediately, and concludes on Friday, July 17, 2020, absent stipulation of the parties. The defendants have the option of appearing for deposition in person, or appearing by audio/visual means (at their own arrangements). The depositions may be set on two week s notice, at the time and place noticed by Plaintiff after good faith attempt to meet and confer on the same. Any discovery dispute shall be brought before this Court upon request for an Order Shortening Time. Plaintiff may file a supplemental brief in opposition to the Motion to Dismiss by Wednesday, July 22, 2020. Plaintiff may file a supplemental reply by Monday, July, 27, 2020. The Court will conduct a Hearing on the Defendants Motion to Dismiss on Wednesday, July 29, 2020. The parties may modify this schedule by written stipulation approved by the Court. 7/29/20 9:30 AM DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Elizabeth Vargas, to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. //ev 5/29/20;

06/05/2020



Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

With regard to this Court s May 29, 2020 Minute Order, granting in part and denying in Part Plaintiff's request for limited discovery, the Court issues this clarification: The discovery permitted by the prior order must relate to the second prong of the anti-SLAPP analysis, and is limited to the matters identified in Plaintiff's papers, or the matters identified by the Plaintiff at the April 29th hearing. CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this Minute Order was electronically served to all registered parties by the Courtroom Clerk, Elizabeth Vargas via Odyssey Efile and Serve. //ev 6/5/20;

07/13/2020

Motion for Protective Order (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Defendants' Motion For Protective Order Limiting Discovery on Order Shortening Time Motion Granted;

Journal Entry Details:

Court stated procedural aspect of Plaintiff's response to the motion, noting they expressed concerns that this Court issued a minute order providing clarification of its prior discovery order before having had a chance to receive and review Plaintiff's Response to Defendant's written request for clarification. This matter came back after a remand from the Nevada Supreme Court where it appeared to the Court that the Supreme Court had resolved prong 1 and was remanding back to this Court for appropriate proceedings regarding prong 2, whether limited discovery should go forward and resolve the issue of the litigation privilege. Following arguments by counsel regarding their respective positions, Court advised it was not one hundred percent convinced that prong 1 was completely disposed of by the Nevada Supreme Court, after hearing Ms. Rasmussen paraphrasing the order. Court advised it needs to go back and review the Supreme Court order. COURT ORDERED, matter TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT; discovery STAYED pending ruling on motion for protective order and if Court needs additional briefing regarding the litigation privilege issue, it will inform the parties by minute order.;

07/21/2020

Minute Order (3:00 PM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court GRANTS Defendants Motion for Protective Order Limiting Discovery. Discovery is limited to the second prong of the anti-SLAPP analysis. Discovery is limited to what is identified by Plaintiffs on p.5, lines 15-21 of Plaintiffs Brief in Support of Request for Limited Discovery (5-6-20). The Defendants shall prepare the proposed Order, consistent with the relief sought in their motion. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Carolyn Jackson, to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. /cj 07/21/20;

07/29/2020

Motion to Dismiss (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Defendants' Motion to Dismiss

Matter Continued; Date to be determined

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Journal Entry Details:

Court noted this matter was set for a continued hearing on the Motion to Dismiss. Mr. Langberg stated he believes on the 21st the Court issued a minute order on their Motion for Protective Order defining the scope of discovery. The parties should conduct the discovery the Court ordered, noting they have been working on a formal order. Mr. Langberg stated he does not believe they have any dispute about what the Court ordered to occur however, there is a disagreement as to the findings that led to that decision. Court advised it would be its preference if the parties could work out and decrease the number of findings and get to the heart of the matter on the scope of discovery. Ms. Rasmussen stated by minimizing the findings in the proposed order that will probably resolve all their issues and they should be able to get the proposed order over to the Court today. Ms. Rasmussen stated they did their own proposed briefing schedule which takes them out into October; it allows the Court to set a date for the continued hearing. COURT ORDERED, hearing for Motion to Dismiss CONTINUED, to a date to be determined. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, matter SET for status check. 9/28/20 STATUS CHECK: STATUS OF CASE (CHAMBERS);

09/28/2020

Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Status Check: Status of Case

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

Matter heard.;

10/22/2020

Motion to Strike (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Defendants' Motion to Stirke and for Imposition of Sanctions (on OST)

Matter Heard;

10/22/2020

Opposition and Countermotion (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Opposition to Motion to Strike & for Sanctions / Countermotion for Sanctions

Matter Heard;

10/22/2020

All Pending Motions (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO STIRKE AND FOR IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS (ON OST)...OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO STRIKE & FOR SANCTIONS / COUNTERMOTION FOR SANCTIONS The Court will issue a Minute Order resolving this matter.;

10/26/2020

Minute Order (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court DENIES Defendants Motion to Strike and for Imposition of Sanctions. The Court places no restriction on the content Plaintiff may include in its Brief. Plaintiff did not violate EDCR 7.60(b). The Court, further, DENIES Plaintiff s Countermotion because Defendants motion was meritless, but not frivolous. Plaintiff to prepare and submit the Order, pursuant to the electronic submission requirements of AO 20-17. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was e-mailed by Courtroom Clerk, Grecia Snow to: Lisa Rasmussen Esq., at Lisa@Veldlaw.com, Mitchell J. Langberg Esq., at mlangber@bhfs.com, and Elizabeth M. Ghanem Esq., at eghanem@gs-lawyers.com. 10/26/20 gs;

11/09/2020

Motion to Dismiss (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Scotti, Richard F.)

Anti-Slapp

Granted;

Journal Entry Details:

Court noted it read the motion, support briefs, and orders. Arguments by counsel. COURT took matter UNDER ADVISEMENT, stated it would issue a minute order. Ms. Rasmussen stated it filed a support brief and Mr. Langberg moved to strike, requested Court review the Motion to strike and respond.;

11/09/2020

Minute Order (12:16 PM) (Judicial Officer: Thompson, Charles)
Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

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Journal Entry Details:

On June 20, 2018, Judge Scotti entered Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and an Order denying this motion. Defendants appealed and on January 23, 2020, the Nevada Supreme Court entered an Order vacating Judge Scotti s order and remanding with an opportunity for Plaintiffs to conduct limited discovery. Plaintiffs first argue that they may revisit step one of the anti-SLAPP analysis. On July 13, 2020, Judge Scotti entered a minute order including the following: This matter came back after a remand from the Nevada Supreme Court where it appeared to the Court that the Supreme Court had resolved prong 1 and was remanding back to this Court for appropriate proceedings regarding prong 2, whether limited discovery should go forward and resolve the issue of the litigation privilege. Following arguments by counsel regarding their respective positions, Court advised it was not one hundred percent convinced that prong 1 was completely disposed of by the Nevada Supreme Court, after hearing Ms. Rasmussen paraphrasing the order. Court advised it needs to go back and review the Supreme Court order. On July 21, 2020, after reviewing the Supreme Court Order, Judge Scotti entered a minute order which contained the following: Discovery is limited to the second prong of the anti-SLAPP analysis. It is clear from this minute order that Judge Scotti believed that prong 1 was resolved and that the limited discovery was only allowed with regard to prong 2. This Court agrees with Judge Scotti. It is clear from the Supreme Court s order filed January 23, 2020, that the Defendants met their burden at step one of the anti-SLAPP analysis. In other words, the Court found that the Defendant's communications were in furtherance of their right to petition the government in connection with an issue of public concern and that the communications were in good faith. The Court then held that the Plaintiffs had not met their step-two burden of demonstrating with prima facie evidence a probability of prevailing on their claims. However, they believed that the Plaintiffs should be permitted limited discovery to see if they could meet that step-two burden. Thereafter, Judge Scotti entered an order prescribing the limited discovery that would be permitted. Plaintiffs complain that the order was too limited. I believe that the judge appropriately exercised his discretion in this regard. Also, I do not sit as an appellate court over Judge Scotti. Thus, I decline to find that his Order was in any way in error. Defendants first argue that the litigation privilege is dispositive of the prong 2 issue. I find that the argument has merit. First, the City Council proceedings were quasi-judicial and the privilege does apply to quasi-judicial proceedings. Also, the privilege applies even though the communications are not directed at the Council itself. Fink v. Oshins, 118 Nev. 428 (2002). In accordance with the holding in Oshins, communications between the residents would be included. Today, Ms. Rasmussin cited Spencer v. Klementi, 466 P.3d 1241 (Nev. 2020), for the proposition that the privilege does not apply to quasi-judicial proceedings where due process protections similar to those provided in a court of law are not present. This Court believes that Spencer is distinguishable from the current matter. Spencer involved a defamation suit arising out of defamatory comments made to a public body during a public comment session. The speaker was not under oath. No opportunity to respond was provided. No cross-examination was allowed and the holding in the decision appears to be expressly limited to defamation suits. I believe that the Oshins case is more on point. The civil conspiracy claim is the only claim that Plaintiff has argued meets the prong two test. However, a civil conspiracy must be to accomplish some unlawful objective where damage results. There was no unlawful objective here. Further, no damage to Plaintiffs may be claimed because the proceeding never occurred. Even if the litigation privilege is not dispositive of the prong two issue, I find that Plaintiff has failed to demonstrate with prima facie evidence a probability of prevailing on any of their claims. For the reasons set forth in Defendants Supplemental Brief filed October 30, 2020, the Motion to Dismiss is GRANTED. Mr. Langberg is directed to prepare a proposed appropriate order with findings. Further, he is directed to submit the Order, pursuant to the electronic submission requirements of AO 20-17. CLERK'S NOTE: The above minute order has been distributed to: Lisa Rasmussen: Lisa@VeldLaw.Com, Mitchell Langberg: mlangber@bhfs.com. 11/10 km;

01/25/2021



Motion For Reconsideration (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Motion to Reconsider Court's Order Dated December 10, 2020 Order Denied;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court DENIES Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration for lack of jurisdiction. "[A] timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction to act and vests jurisdiction in [the Supreme Court]." Rust v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 103 Nev. 686, 688 (1987). However, "where the issue is 'entirely collateral to and independent from that part of the case taken up by appeal, and in no way affected the merits of the appeal," this Court may proceed with hearing the matter. Kantor v. Kantor, 116 Nev. 886, 895 (2000). Here, Plaintiffs seek reconsideration of this Court's December 10, 2020 Order. However, on January 8, 2021, Plaintiffs appealed that very same Order to the Nevada Supreme Court. As the matters in Plaintiffs' motion and on appeal are identical, and neither "collateral to" not "independent from" each other, this Court

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lacks jurisdiction to hear Plaintiffs' motion. Defendant shall prepare and submit the Order, pursuant to the electronic submission requirements of AOs 20-17 and 20-24. CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Dauriana Simpson, to all registered parties for Odyssey File and Serve. 1/29/2021/ds;

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Motion for Attorney Fees (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 & NRS 18.010(2)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court shall issue a Minute Order resolving this matter.;

03/08/2021

Motion to Reconsider (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider January 29, 2021 Minute Order (re: Motion to Reconsider Anti-Slapp Order)

Matter Heard;

Journal Entry Details:

The Court will issue a Minute Order resolving this matter.;

03/22/2021

Minute Order (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

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The Court GRANTS Plaintiffs Motion to Reconsider January 25, 2021 Minute Order. [A] court may correct a clerical mistake or a mistake arising from oversight or omission whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record. NRCP 60(a). This may be done by the court sua sponte or on a timely motion from the parties, and does not require notice by the court. Id. Further, to prevail on a motion for reconsideration, the moving party must establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court s decision was clearly erroneous. See Masonry & Tile Contractors Ass n of S. Nevada v. Jolley, Urga, & Wirth, Ltd., 113 Nev. 737, 741 (1997). As Plaintiff notes, when a case is on appeal, NRCP 62.1 allows a court to (1) defer considering the motion; (2) deny the motion; or (3) issue a statement that it will grant the motion, if remanded for that purpose, or that the motion raises a substantial issue. In the January 25th Minute Order, this Court failed to specify which of the above three options were in application. Accordingly, the Court reconsiders its prior Order, only for the sake of clarifying that Plaintiffs original Motion for Reconsideration is DENIED pursuant to item number two (2) of NRCP 62.1. The Court leaves resolution of that matter to the Supreme Court appeal. Defendant shall prepare a modified version of its February 2, 2021 Order and resubmit with all necessary email authorizations, and in PDF format, pursuant to AOs 20-17 and 20-24 to DC19Inbox@clarkcountycourts.us within ten (10) days, allowing opposing counsel a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours for review as to form and content. The Court also addresses that matter of Defendants Motion for Attorneys Fees and Additional Monetary Relief, filed on December 31, 2020. The Court has read and reviewed the parties submitted papers. However, the Court has some questions and concerns that can only be resolved by oral argument. Accordingly, the Court temporarily defers issuing a ruling on the matter, and SETS the motion for a hearing on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 9:00 AM. Pursuant to AO 20-24's strong discouragement of in-person appearances, the Court provides the March 31st Blue Jeans information below. 3/31/2021 Phone #: 408.419.1715 Session ID: 121 893 497 https://bluejeans.com/121893497 CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this Minute Order was provided to: Lisa Rasmussen: Lisa@VeldLaw.com; Mitchell Langberg: mlangber@bhfs.com. 3-22-21 sa;

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Motion for Attorney Fees (9:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010 (2)

Granted in Part;

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Counsel appeared via BlueJeans. Arguments by Mr. Langberg in support of and by Ms. Rasmussen in opposition to the motion. COURT stated its findings and ORDERED, motion GRANTED in PART, attorney's fees granted in the amount of \$339,777.00 and \$23,467.00 for a total of \$363,244.00 and DENIED in PART regarding the additional monetary relief. Mr. Langberg to prepare the order.;

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05/23/2022 Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

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06/22/2022 Status Check (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

ISC - Brunzell
Matter Heard;
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Minute order to be issued.;

11/09/2022 **Motion to Reconsider** (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Events: 10/03/2022 Motion to Reconsider Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Attorney's Fees Post-Remand Matter Heard:

01/18/2023 **Motion for Attorney Fees** (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Events: 11/23/2022 Supplement

Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys' Fees

Per SAO Matter Heard;

04/17/2023 **Motion for Leave** (3:00 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply Matter Heard;

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06/02/2023 Minute Order (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

Minute Order - No Hearing Held;

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The Court DENIES Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Attorney's Fees Post-Remand. EDCR 2.24 states that [n]o 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. [A] court may correct a clerical mistake or a mistake arising from oversight or omission whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record. NRCP 60(a). This may be done by the court sua sponte or on a timely motion from the parties, and does not require notice by the court. Id. Further, to prevail on a motion for reconsideration, the moving party must establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court s decision was clearly erroneous. See Masonry & Tile Contractors Ass n of S. Nevada v. Jolley, Urga, & Wirth, Ltd., 113 Nev. 737, 741 (1997). A finding is clearly erroneous' when although there is evidence to support it, the reviewing court on the entire evidence is left with the definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed. U.S v. Gypsum, 333 U.S. 364, 395 (1948). Finally, any [p]oints or contentions not raised in the original hearing cannot be maintained or considered on rehearing. Achrem v. Expressway Plaza Ltd. P'ship, 112 Nev. 737, 742 (1996). Plaintiff has failed to establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court s decision was clearly erroneous. Rather, Plaintiff reargues various arguments, which were previously asserted in the underlying Anti-SLAPP Motion. Defendants are correct in that the Nevada Supreme Court remanded this matter to the District Court for the sole purpose of considering the Brunzell factors in granting Defendants request for attorney s fees. Specifically, the Nevada Supreme Court Ordered, Consistent with the foregoing, we affirm the district court s order granting respondents special motion to dismiss in Docket No. 82338, and we vacate the order awarding attorney fees in Docket 82880, and remand for the court to consider the Brunzell factors and make the necessary findings to support the fee amount awarded. This Court considered the Brunzell factors and issued its own Order on the matter, filed on September 19, 2022 [Docket #132], which articulated the factors this Court considered and necessary findings to support its decision in granting Defendants Motion for attorney s fees. Defendant is directed to prepare the Order; correcting for any scrivener error, and adding appropriate context and authorities. Further, Defendant shall submit the Order to DC19Inbox@clarkcountycourts.us within fourteen (14) calendar days, allowing a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours for opposing counsel to review. CLERK'S NOTE: The above minute order has been distributed to all registered parties via

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Minute Order (9:30 AM) (Judicial Officer: Eller, Crystal)

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The Court GRANTS, in part, Defendants Supplemental Motion for Attorneys Fees and DENIES Plaintiffs Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants Reply, as moot. In a case where claims have been successfully dismissed by way of an anti-SLAPP motion, NRS 41.670 (1)(a) states that a court shall award reasonable cost and attorney s fees to the person against whom the action was brought. An award of additional amounts, up to \$10,000, are also permitted under NRS 41.670(1)(b). Further, where all claims are disposed of by the motion, fees incurred that are not directly related to the anti-SLAPP motion are recoverable. See Goldman v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 2020 WL 5633065, *1, *5 (Nev. Sept. 18, 2020)(affirming an award of fees and costs because the facts and legal arguments in the NRCP 12(b)(5) motion were intrinsically intertwined with those in the anti-SLAPP motion). Additionally, NRS 18.010 provides for an award of attorney s fees where: (1) authorized by a specific statute; (2) the prevailing party has not recovered more than \$20,000; or (3) notwithstanding the recovery sought, the court finds that a claim, counterclaim, cross-claim or third-party complaint or defense was maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. Additionally, the provisions of the statute are the be liberally construe[d] in favor of awarding attorney s fees in all appropriate situations. Id. Further, such an award is also intended as a sanction to punish and deter frivolous and vexatious claims, pursuant to NRCP 11. Id. [A] claim is frivolous or groundless if there is no credible evidence to support it. Capanna v. Orth, 134 Nev. 888, 895 (2018). Here, an award of fees is warranted. NRS 41.670(1)(a) is abundantly clear that the Court shall award reasonable costs and fees. Further, fees incurred that are not directly related to the anti-SLAPP motion are recoverable. Goldman v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 2020 WL 5633065, *1, *5 (Nev. Sept. 18, 2020)(affirming an award of fees and costs because the facts and legal arguments in the NRCP 12(b)(5) motion were intrinsically intertwined with those in the anti-SLAPP motion). This Court FINDS that Defendants requested fees are reasonable and properly supported by Brunzell analysis. Defendants have sufficiently demonstrated that they incurred additional attorney s fees in having to oppose and defend all of the various motions and appeals initiated by Plaintiffs in this matter. Accordingly, the Court GRANTS Defendants request for attorneys fees in the amount of \$43,620.50. However, the Court DENIES Defendants request for referral to Bar Counsel, pursuant to Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct 3.3. Therefore, Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File a Sur-Reply is DENIED, as moot. Defendant is directed to prepare the Order; correcting for any scrivener error, and adding appropriate context and authorities, including a thorough Brunzell analysis for the fees granted by the Court. Further, Defendant shall submit the Order to DC19Inbox@clarkcountycourts.us within fourteen (14) calendar days, allowing a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours for opposing counsel to review. CLERK'S NOTE: The above minute order has been distributed to all registered parties via Odyssey File and Serve.//bb 06/02/2023;

DATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Defendant Caria, Steve	
Total Charges	24.00
Total Payments and Credits	24.00
Balance Due as of 10/13/2023	0.00
Defendant Omerza, Daniel	
Total Charges	283.00
Total Payments and Credits	283.00
Balance Due as of 10/13/2023	0.00
Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd	
Total Charges	876.00
Total Payments and Credits	876.00
Balance Due as of 10/13/2023	0.00
Defendant Omerza, Daniel	
Appeal Bond Balance as of 10/13/2023	500.00
Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd	
Appeal Bond Balance as of 10/13/2023	1,500.00

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Plaintiff Fore Stars Ltd

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Miscellaneous Fee Code Balance as of 10/13/2023

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DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

	County, Nevada
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	(Assigned by Clerk's	's Office)
I. Party Information (provide both he	ome and mailing addresses if different)	
Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone):		Defendant(s) (name/address/phone):
Fore Stars, Ltd., a Nevada Li	mited Liability Company	Daniel Omerza and Steve Caria
1215 S. Fort Apache	Rd., Suite 120	800 Petit Chalet Court
Las Vegas, N	V 89117	
(702) 940-	6930	Las Vegas, NV 89145
Attorney (name/address/phone):		Attorney (name/address/phone):
James J. Jimmerson, Es	sq. (702) 388-7171	
Jimmerson Law	,	
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Las Vegas, N		
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General Administration	Other Construction Defect	Petition to Seal Records
Special Administration	Contract Case	Mental Competency
Set Aside	Uniform Commercial Code	Nevada State Agency Appeal
Trust/Conservatorship	Building and Construction	Department of Motor Vehicle
Other Probate	Insurance Carrier	Worker's Compensation
Estate Value	Commercial Instrument	Other Nevada State Agency
Over \$200,000	Collection of Accounts	Appeal Other
Between \$100,000 and \$200,000	Employment Contract	Appeal from Lower Court
Under \$100,000 or Unknown	Other Contract	Other Judicial Review/Appeal
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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

FORE STARS, LTD., a Nevada Limited Liability Company; 180 LAND CO., LLC; a Nevada limited liability company; SEVENTY ACRES, LLC, a Nevada Limited liability company,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

DANIEL OMERZA, DARREN BRESEE, STEVE CARIA, and DOES 1 THROUGH 100,

Defendant(s).

Case No.: A-18-771224-C

Dept. No.: 19

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND ADDITIONAL MONETARY RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRS 41.670 AND NRS 18.010(2)

This matter came before the Court on Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Additional Monetary Relief Pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010(2) on March 31, 2021. Thereafter, Plaintiffs filed their Notice of Appeal on May 5, 2021. The Nevada Supreme Court Ordered: (1) the District Court's order granting [Defendants'] special motion to dismiss is affirmed; (2) the District Court's order awarding attorney fees is vacated; and (3) the matter is remanded back to the District Court to consider the <u>Brunzell</u> factors and make the necessary findings to support the fee amount awarded.¹

Having considered the Motion, Opposition and Reply, all papers related thereto, oral argument, and the papers and pleadings on file herein, the Court finds:

1. Defendants' anti-SLAPP Motion to Dismiss filed pursuant to NRS 41.635, et. seq. was granted in full and all of Plaintiffs' claims were dismissed by way of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order entered on December 10, 2020;

¹ <u>See</u> Supreme Court Order Affirming (Docket No. 82338) and Vacating and Remanding (Docket No. 82880) dated April 29, 2022.

- 2. Defendants' filed a timely motion seeking attorneys' fees and additional monetary relief pursuant to NRS 41.670 and NRS 18.010(2);
 - 3. Plaintiffs filed a timely opposition to the Motion and Defendants filed a timely reply;
- 4. In the Motion, Defendants seek attorneys' fees based on the Lodestar method (rate multiplied by hours) in the amount of \$363,244.00.
- 5. However, once that amount is determined, a court must also consider the reasonableness in light of the Brunzell factors." Id. Those factors are:
- (1) the qualities of the advocate: his ability, his training, education, experience, professional standing and skill; (2) the character of the work to be done: its difficulty, its intricacy, its importance, time and skill required, the responsibility imposed and the prominence and character of the parties where they affect the importance of the litigation; (3) the work actually performed by the lawyer: the skill, time and attention given to the work;
- (4) the result: whether the attorney was successful and what benefits were derived *Brunzell v*. *Golden Gate Nat. Bank*, 85 Nev. 345, 349 (1969).
- 6. Defendants also seek an enhancement because Defendants' counsel agreed to prosecute the anti-SLAPP motion on a contingency basis;
- 7. Defendants further seek an additional monetary award of \$10,000 per Defendant pursuant to NRS 41.670;
 - 8. With regard to the "Brunzell factors" Id., the Court finds as follows:

A. Quality of the Advocate

Mitchell Langberg was lead counsel on this matter who worked 182.2 hours not including the Motion for Attorney Fees. His initial rate was \$655 then increased over the 2 1/2 year duration of the case, by only 5% to \$690.5. Per his declaration, he graduated from the University of Southern California School of Law in 1994. During his 26 years of practice, one of his primary focuses has been on defamation and First Amendment litigation. He is recognized by Best Lawyers in the area of Media and First Amendment Law. He is recognized with a Preeminent AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Langberg has handled

approximately 50 cases involving anti-SLAPP motions representing both plaintiffs and defendants.

Aaron Hughes assisted Mr. Langberg until he left the Brownstein firm. He worked 306.9 hours on this matter at a rate of \$485. According to Mr. Langberg's Declaration, Mr. Hughes is a 1990 graduate from the University of California at Berkeley School of Law and is an experienced trial attorney working in a broad range of areas including intellectual property, securities litigation, and antitrust. Per Mr. Langberg's Declaration, Mr. Hughes is well-regarded for his skills as an appellate brief writer, having prepared winning briefs to the United States Supreme Court and the Colorado Supreme Court. Further, Mr. Hughes performed almost all of the brief writing, up to and including the successful briefing on appeal.

Nancy Lee assisted Mr. Langberg and Mr. Hughes with research and brief writing. She worked 97 hours on this matter. Her hourly rate was \$450 until she left the firm. Ms. Lee is a 2004 graduate from Loyola Laws School in Los Angeles with diverse experience in a host of civil litigation matters. Ms. Lee previously worked at preeminent law firms including Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, Buchalter Nemer, and Loeb & Loeb.

The three remaining billers (Frank Schreck – 22.6 hours, Laura Langberg – 6 hours, William Nobriga – 5.5 hours) worked only 5.5% of total hours billed on various tasks. Most of Mr. Schreck's time was spent participating in initial client interviews and providing facts regarding underlying court cases and City Council proceedings that were critical to the anti-SLAPP motion.

Based on the experience and quality of the advocates, the hourly rates were reasonable.

B. Character of Work to be Done

The work itself implicated important First Amendment rights on issues that are of immense concern in this community—including matters of regulating development and resident input in that process. The anti-SLAPP statute, itself, is designed to identify meritless litigation arising from the exercise of First Amendment rights. The fact the Legislature has

created a special procedure in these cases emphasizes the social importance of anti-SLAPP litigation. Further, when taken in the context of a developer with expansive financial resources attempting to silence its opposition in their attempts to have their concerns heard by the City Counsel, speaks volumes about the challenges in the case. Therefore, the character of work extremely significant.

C. The Work Actually Performed

A review of the timeline, exhibits and information submitted by defendants, shows that much of the required work was necessitated by Plaintiffs' litigation strategy in the matter. The complaint alleged numerous tort claims against Defendants in retaliation to their efforts to garner support to oppose a development in the City Council. The record shows that Plaintiffs also made efforts to force discovery while the appeal was pending, even though the anti-SLAPP statute created a mandatory stay. There were several instances throughout the case where the process appeared to be extended by plaintiffs, requiring more legal work and corresponding increased fees. Ultimately, an objective review of all of the work performed in the case, including hundreds of pages of briefs, countless cites to legal authority, extensive research efforts, and more, reveals that several hundred hours of attorney time were reasonably required to defend the case.

D. The Result

Here, the Court initially determined the anti-SLAPP statute did not bar Plaintiffs' claims. Defense counsel then successfully litigated an appeal, had the decision reversed, and on remand persuaded the Court that the lawsuit must be dismissed pursuant to the anti-SLAPP statute. Despite the contingent nature of the fees, counsel marshalled his skills and experience, and devoted the extensive time and attention required to overcome the Court's initial rulings. This work and effort culminated in a successful conclusion to the case in favor of the client.

For the reasons stated by the Court on the record (NRCP 52(a)(3)), as well as the Court's above analysis of the "<u>Brunzell</u> factors," the Court finds that the hourly rates and the hours requested by Defendants for attorneys' fees are reasonable and that the Lodestar fees based on those reasonable rates and hours are \$363,244.00.

- 9. The Court also finds that a fee enhancement, as requested by Defendants, is not appropriate in this matter. Although the legal work in this case was taken on a continent fee basis, which is rare in defense of a situation, the full extent of the risk of non-payment which is normally associated with contingent fees, is not present in an "anti-SLAPP" defense. Under NRS 41.635 attorneys' fees must be awarded to defendant if successful on the motion. This diminished the risk attorneys must typically endure when handling a contingent fee case.
- 10. The Court also finds that an additional monetary award to Defendants pursuant to NRS 41.670 is not appropriate in this matter. This additional award can be used to compensate defendants who have had to endure the stress of ongoing litigation and the expenditure of attorney fees. The award can also be a deterrent to plaintiffs from filing lawsuits which violate the First Amendment protections. Here, however, defendants were not subject to the excessive stress associated with paying attorney fees out of pocket to defend the suit due to the contingent fee agreement. Further, the court does not find that Plaintiff brought or maintained the case in bad faith so there is no reason to grant an additional money award to deter Plaintiff.

Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that:

- 1. Defendants' Motion is GRANTED; and
- 2. Plaintiffs are hereby jointly and severally ORDERED to pay to Defendants attorneys' fees in the amount of \$363,244.00.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 19th day of September, 2022

939 DF3 9D05 5404 Crystal Eller District Court Judge

Las Vegas, NV 89155

1 **CSERV** 2 DISTRICT COURT 3 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 4 5 Fore Stars, Ltd., Plaintiff(s) CASE NO: A-18-771224-C 6 DEPT. NO. Department 19 VS. 7 Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s) 8 9 10 **AUTOMATED CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 11 This automated certificate of service was generated by the Eighth Judicial District Court. The foregoing Order was served via the court's electronic eFile system to all 12 recipients registered for e-Service on the above entitled case as listed below: 13 Service Date: 9/19/2022 14 Elizabeth Ham EHam@ehbcompanies.com 15 **Todd Davis** tdavis@ehbcompanies.com 16 17 Jennifer Knighton jknighton@ehbcompanies.com 18 Mitchell Langberg mlangberg@bhfs.com 19 Lisa Rasmussen Lisa@Veldlaw.com 20 Kristina Wildeveld Kristina@Veldlaw.com 21 Mitchell Langberg mlangberg@bhfs.com 22 Mitchell Langberg mlangberg@bfhs.com 23 Samuel Reyes Sam@veldlaw.com 24 25 Diana B diana@veldlaw.com 26 Lisa Rasmussen Lisa@Veldlaw.com 27

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- 23. The Court finds that the rates applied by counsel for the *Lodestar* analysis are reasonable. When this case began several years ago, the rate of \$655 per hour Mr. Langberg applied for this matter was less than his regular billable rate. In the more than four years since then, Mr. Langberg's standard billable rate has increased annually, which is common in the legal community. Another Court in this district has recently approved Mr. Langberg's rate of \$825 per hour on an anti-SLAPP motion. For the work that is the subject of the Supplemental Fee Motion, Mr. Langberg has requested only \$700 per hour, less than 7% more than his initial rate was more than four years ago. The rate applied to Mrs. Langberg's limited work was \$505.
- 24. The Court is familiar with the rates charged in this community for complex or specialty litigation such as First Amendment and anti-SLAPP litigation. The Court finds that the rates applied are reasonable and appropriate for the nature and quality of the work performed. In fact, they are lower than some rates approved on anti-SLAPP motions in this district.

25.	25. The Court also finds that the total hours requested in the Supplemental Fee Motion			
(58.3 hours) and the reply in support of that motion (4.6 hours) is reasonable for all of the work				
performed.	performed.			
26.	26. Therefore, the Court finds that total fees in the amount of \$43,620.50 are			
reasonable ar	reasonable and appropriate after consideration of the Lodestar and Brunzell factors.			
27.	In the reply in support of the Supplemental Fee Motion, Defendants requested that			
the Court ma	ke a referral to Bar Counsel pursuant to Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct 3.3.			
The Court wi	ill deny that request.			
28.	Therefore, Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File a Sur-Reply will be denied as moot.			
There	efore, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that:			
1.	Defendants' Supplemental Motion for Attorneys Fees is GRANTED in part and			
DENIED in 1	part;			
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Plaintiffs are hereby ORDERED to pay such fees to Defendants within 60 days unless this fee				
award is stayed pursuant to statute, rule, or subsequent court order;				
3.	Defendants' request for referral to Bar Counsel is DENIED; and			
4.	Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants' Reply is DENIED as			
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20	"Motion") came on for chambers hearing before this Court on June 2, 2023.			
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22	Court will deny the motion:			
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24	Court's September 19, 2022, Order Granting Defendants' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and			
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- 8. Plaintiffs have failed to establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court's decision was clearly erroneous.
- 9. Defendants are correct in that the Nevada Supreme Court remanded this matter to the District Court for the sole purpose of considering the *Brunzell* factors in granting Defendants' request for attorney's fees. Specifically, the Nevada Supreme Court Ordered, "Consistent with the foregoing, we affirm the district court's order granting respondents' special motion to dismiss in Docket No. 82338, and we vacate the order awarding attorney fees in Docket 82880, and remand for the court to consider the *Brunzell* factors and make the necessary findings to support the fee amount awarded."

- 10. This Court considered the *Brunzell* factors and issued its own Order on the matter, filed on September 19, 2022 [Docket #132], which articulated the factors this Court considered and necessary findings to support its decision in granting Defendants' Motion for attorney's fees.
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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

April 16, 2018 1:00 PM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Kishner, Joanna S. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Tena Jolley

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Although the Court could and would rule fairly and without bias, recusal is appropriate in the present case in accordance with Canon 2.11(A)(3) of the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct in order to avoid the appearance of impartiality or implied bias as the Court could be viewed to have information relating to the facts and/or circumstances regarding the underlying issues. Thus, the Court recuses itself from the matter and requests that it be randomly reassigned in accordance with appropriate procedures.

DISTRICT COURT **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA**

COURT MINUTES

A-18-771224-C

May 14, 2018

Other Civil Matters

Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

May 14, 2018

9:00 AM

All Pending Motions

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F.

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 11D

COURT CLERK: Vanessa Medina

RECORDER: Dalyne Easley

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Ghanem, Elizabeth M. Attorney

Jimmerson, James Joseph, ESQ Langberg, Mitchell J.

Attorney Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Arguments by Mr. Langberg and Mr. Jimmerson. Court DIRECTED, counsel to submit a 2 page Supplemental Briefing by close of business day Wednesday 05/23/18, if counsel believes there is additional information. COURT ORDERED, matter CONTINUED to 05/23/18 Chamber Calendar.

CONTINUED TO: 05/23/18 (CHAMBER CALENDAR)

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

May 23, 2018 3:00 AM Motion to Dismiss

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** No Location

COURT CLERK: Natalie Ortega

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- These matters are continued to the May 30, 2018 Chambers Calendar.

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

Other Civil Matter	rs ·	COURT MINUTES	May 29, 2018
A-18-771224-C	Fore Stars Ltd vs. Daniel Omerz	, Plaintiff(s) a, Defendant(s)	
May 29, 2018	10:41 AM	Minute Order	Defendants' Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint
HEARD BY: Scot	tti, Richard F.	COURTROOM:	No Location
COURT CLERK:	Jennifer Lott		
RECORDER:			
REPORTER:			
PARTIES PRESENT:			

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court DENIES without prejudice Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss (Anti-SLAPP Motion) Plaintiffs Complaint pursuant to NRS 41.635 et. Seq. Nevada's anti-SLAPP statute does not apply to fraudulent conduct, which Plaintiffs have alleged. Even if it did so apply, at this early stage in the litigation and given the numerous allegations of fraud, the Court is not convinced by a preponderance of the evidence that Defendants conduct constituted good faith communications in furtherance of the right to petition or the right to free speech in direct connection with an issue of public concern, as described in NRS 41.637. The Court also DENIES Defendants Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to NRCP 12(b)(5). Plaintiffs have stated valid claims for relief. Plaintiffs shall prepare the proposed Order, adding appropriate context and authorities.

The 5/30/2018 Chambers Hearing on this matter hereby VACATED.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

October 19, 2018

9:00 AM Motion for Order Plaintiffs' Motion for Order Allowing Commencement of Discovery

HEARD BY: Truman, Erin **COURTROOM:** RJC Level 5 Hearing Room

COURT CLERK: Jennifer Lott

RECORDER: Francesca Haak

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Jimmerson, James Joseph, ESQ Attorney

Jimmerson, James M. Attorney Langberg, Mitchell J. Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Mr. Jimmerson addressed Judge Scotti's ruling and the Court found that Defts' anti-slapp Motion did not apply to intentional torts pled by Plaintiffs in the case, and the Motion to Dismiss on the basis of anti-slapp was Denied. There is an immediate right to Appeal which Defts availed themselves to. Mr. Jimmerson attempted to file an Early Case Conference, however, counsel have returned before the Commissioner to begin discovery. Defts have failed to filed an Answer, but Mr. Jimmerson doesn't intent to default Defts. The case needs to go forward and begin discovery. Argument by Mr. Jimmerson. Mr. Langberg discussed whether or not the anti-slapp Statute applies to the tort causes of action that Plaintiffs asserted. Defts filed a Writ of Mandamus, however, it was not brought on the same grounds as the anti-slapp. Mr. Langberg stated the Statute says if an anti-slapp Motion is filed, discovery is stayed pending a ruling on the Motion. Argument by Mr. Langberg.

Commissioner stated based on the Supreme Court Denial of the Petition for Writ, the case is ready to

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be Answered, and 16.1 should be complied with. Mr. Langberg stated the Appeal is still pending. There was a Writ as to the Denial of the 12(b)(5) Motion because there is no Appeal from that. Mr. Langberg stated there is an automatic Appeal on Denial of an anti-slapp Motion, the Appeal is still pending, and the Opening Brief is due 10-22-18. Upon Commissioner's inquiry, Mr. Jimmerson stated there are no exigent circumstances that would warrant discovery before 16.1 is complied with.

Given the fact that the Appeal is still pending, and an Answer is not yet required, COMMISSIONER RECOMMENDED, there is no reasonable basis for discovery to go forward at this point, and counsel will wait until the Supreme Court hears the issue. Following that the Answer will be due, and 16.1 will be complied with. Mr. Jimmerson stated there will be a 18 month to 2 year delay. Arguments by counsel. Mr. Langberg read the Statute into the record.

Commissioner doesn't believe the case is stayed under the authority cited by Mr. Langberg. The Court determined that it doesn't apply to the causes of action, therefore, COMMISSIONER RECOMMENDED, motion is GRANTED IN PART; discovery needs to go forward and within 30 days of Judge Scotti's ruling on the forthcoming Objection counsel should comply with 16.1 and file the JCCR. Mr. Langberg requested an extension to object to the Report and Recommendation. Colloquy. Mr. Jimmerson to prepare the Report and Recommendations, and Mr. Langberg to approve as to form and content. A proper report must be timely submitted within 10 days of the hearing. Otherwise, counsel will pay a contribution.

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COURT MINUTES

February 20, 2019

A-18-771224-C

Other Civil Matters

Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

vs.

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

February 20, 2019

9:00 AM

Hearing

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F.

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Louisa Garcia

RECORDER: Dalyne Easley

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Jimmerson, James Joseph, ESQ Attorney

Jimmerson, James M. Attorney Langberg, Mitchell J. Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Arguments by counsel whether anti-slap statue applies and whether motion was filed in good faith. COURT ORDERED, matter UNDER ADVISEMENT. Court needs to review the Patton v. Lee case and whether it has jurisdiction, as well as the case law just presented.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

March 15, 2019 10:00 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court DENIES Plaintiff's Motion to Commence Discovery, pursuant to NRS 41.660(3)(e). The Court had denied Defendants Special Motion to Dismiss, in part, on the grounds that Defendants did not meet their threshold burden of establishing, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the Land owners claims against them are based on their good faith communication in furtherance of the right to petition or the right to free speech in direct connection with an issue of public concern. See Plaintiff's Motion at p. 6 (quoting NRS 41.660(3)(a). Under these circumstances the statute mandates that the Court stay discovery pending an appeal of an Order denying the Special Motion to Dismiss. Defendants to prepare the Order.

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this Minute Order has been distributed to the following: James Jimmerson, Esq. (JJJ@jimmersonlawfirm.com) and Mitchell Langberg, Esq. (mlangberg@bhfs.com). //ev 3/15/19

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

August 21, 2019 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Matter heard.

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October 02, 2019

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Other Civil Matters

Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

vs.

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

October 02, 2019

9:00 AM

Status Check

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F.

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER: Dalyne Easley

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Langberg, Mitchell J.

Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Mr. Langberg conveyed Elizabeth Ghanem emailed him that morning and advised this matter was pending in Supreme Court and she had a conflict, and the matter was still before the Supreme Court regarding the denial of the Motion to Dismiss. COURT ORDERED, Stay CONTINUED. Mr. Langberg advised discovery never commenced. COURT ORDERED, parties to SUBMIT a one-page status update 30 days after the Supreme Court rules on the Appeal from the denial of the Motion to Dismiss.

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Other Civil Matters	COURT MINUTES	March 25, 2020
A-18-771224-C	Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)	
	vs.	
	Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)	

March 25, 2020 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Matter heard.

A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

April 06, 2020 3:00 AM Motion

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court GRANTS the Motion for a Status Update and hereby SETS a Status Check for Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 9AM. Further, in light of the continued ban on in-person hearings, the Court directs the parties to make the appropriate arrangements necessary to appear remotely through the available audio (CourtCall) or audiovisual (Blue Jeans) platforms in preparation for this hearing.

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Daniel Omerza

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800 Petit Chalet Court Las Vegas, NV 89145

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COURT MINUTES

April 29, 2020

A-18-771224-C

Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

April 29, 2020

9:00 AM

Status Check

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F.

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER: Dalyne Easley

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Ghanem, Elizabeth M.

Attorney

Langberg, Mitchell J.

Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Lisa Rasmussen, Esq. also present on behalf of Plaintiffs. Court provided a brief overview of the history of the case. Arguments by counsel regarding additional supplemental briefing and additional discovery. Court stated counsel would be given an opportunity to provide additional briefing limited to 5 pages regarding why additional discovery was needed. COURT ORDERED, Plaintiff to provide supplemental briefing by May 6, Defendants' Opposition to the Motion due May 11, and Reply, if needed, due May 13. Court inquired if there were any issues left to decide other than limited discovery. Ms. Rasmussen stated the Supreme Court focused on one prong and not the other, and additional briefing may be needed regarding the second prong. Court stated in the event limited discovery was denied, ruling on the Motion to Dismiss would proceed. Court stated any emergency requests would be considered, and a decision would be provided by May 18, 2020 regarding the Motion for Limited Discovery.

5/13/20 STATUS CHECK: OPTIONAL REPLY (CHAMBERS)

5/18/20 MOTION FOR LIMITED DISCOVERY (CHAMBERS)

5/25/20 DECISION: MOTION TO DISMISS (CHAMBERS)

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vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

May 13, 2020 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Matter heard.

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Other Civil Matters COURT MINUTES May 29, 2020

A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

May 29, 2020 10:00 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court GRANTS in part, and DENIES in part, Plaintiff s request for limited discovery. Plaintiff may serve one set of requests for production of documents, with no more than a total of fifteen (15) requests for documents to be allocated among the defendants, as Plaintiff sees fit; Defendants shall have two weeks to respond to such requests. Further, Plaintiff may take the depositions of the three defendants, each limited to four (4) hours. This limited discovery period commences immediately, and concludes on Friday, July 17, 2020, absent stipulation of the parties. The defendants have the option of appearing for deposition in person, or appearing by audio/visual means (at their own arrangements). The depositions may be set on two weeks notice, at the time and place noticed by Plaintiff after good faith attempt to meet and confer on the same. Any discovery dispute shall be brought before this Court upon request for an Order Shortening Time. Plaintiff may file a supplemental brief in opposition to the Motion to Dismiss by Wednesday, July 22, 2020. Plaintiff may file a supplemental reply by Monday, July, 27, 2020. The Court will conduct a Hearing on the Defendants Motion to Dismiss on Wednesday, July 29, 2020. The parties may modify this schedule by written stipulation approved by the Court.

7/29/20 9:30 AM DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

June 05, 2020 12:00 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- With regard to this Court s May 29, 2020 Minute Order, granting in part and denying in Part Plaintiff s request for limited discovery, the Court issues this clarification: The discovery permitted by the prior order must relate to the second prong of the anti-SLAPP analysis, and is limited to the matters identified in Plaintiff s papers, or the matters identified by the Plaintiff at the April 29th hearing.

CLERK'S NOTE: A copy of this Minute Order was electronically served to all registered parties by the Courtroom Clerk, Elizabeth Vargas via Odyssey Efile and Serve. //ev 6/5/20

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s) vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

July 13, 2020 9:00 AM Motion for Protective

Order

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Louisa Garcia

RECORDER: Brittany Amoroso

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Langberg, Mitchell J. Attorney Rasmussen, Lisa A. Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Court stated procedural aspect of Plaintiff's response to the motion, noting they expressed concerns that this Court issued a minute order providing clarification of its prior discovery order before having had a chance to receive and review Plaintiff's Response to Defendant's written request for clarification. This matter came back after a remand from the Nevada Supreme Court where it appeared to the Court that the Supreme Court had resolved prong 1 and was remanding back to this Court for appropriate proceedings regarding prong 2, whether limited discovery should go forward and resolve the issue of the litigation privilege. Following arguments by counsel regarding their respective positions, Court advised it was not one hundred percent convinced that prong 1 was completely disposed of by the Nevada Supreme Court, after hearing Ms. Rasmussen paraphrasing the order. Court advised it needs to go back and review the Supreme Court order. COURT ORDERED, matter TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT; discovery STAYED pending ruling on motion for protective order and if Court needs additional briefing regarding the litigation privilege issue, it will inform the parties by minute order.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

July 21, 2020 3:00 PM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Carolyn Jackson

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court GRANTS Defendants Motion for Protective Order Limiting Discovery. Discovery is limited to the second prong of the anti-SLAPP analysis. Discovery is limited to what is identified by Plaintiffs on p.5, lines 15-21 of Plaintiffs Brief in Support of Request for Limited Discovery (5-6-20). The Defendants shall prepare the proposed Order, consistent with the relief sought in their motion.

CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was electronically served by Courtroom Clerk, Carolyn Jackson, to all registered parties for Odyssey File & Serve. /cj 07/21/20

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COURT MINUTES

July 29, 2020

A-18-771224-C

Other Civil Matters

Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

July 29, 2020

9:30 AM

Motion to Dismiss

Date to be determined

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F.

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Louisa Garcia

RECORDER:

Brittany Amoroso

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT:

Langberg, Mitchell J.

Attorney

Rasmussen, Lisa A.

Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Court noted this matter was set for a continued hearing on the Motion to Dismiss. Mr. Langberg stated he believes on the 21st the Court issued a minute order on their Motion for Protective Order defining the scope of discovery. The parties should conduct the discovery the Court ordered, noting they have been working on a formal order. Mr. Langberg stated he does not believe they have any dispute about what the Court ordered to occur however, there is a disagreement as to the findings that led to that decision. Court advised it would be its preference if the parties could work out and decrease the number of findings and get to the heart of the matter on the scope of discovery. Ms. Rasmussen stated by minimizing the findings in the proposed order that will probably resolve all their issues and they should be able to get the proposed order over to the Court today. Ms. Rasmussen stated they did their own proposed briefing schedule which takes them out into October; it allows the Court to set a date for the continued hearing. COURT ORDERED, hearing for Motion to Dismiss CONTINUED, to a date to be determined. COURT FURTHER ORDERED, matter SET for status check.

9/28/20 STATUS CHECK: STATUS OF CASE (CHAMBERS)

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

September 28, 2020 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Elizabeth Vargas

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Matter heard.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

October 22, 2020 3:00 AM All Pending Motions

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Grecia Snow

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO STIRKE AND FOR IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS (ON OST)...OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO STRIKE & FOR SANCTIONS / COUNTERMOTION FOR SANCTIONS

The Court will issue a Minute Order resolving this matter.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

October 26, 2020 3:00 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F. **COURTROOM:** Chambers

COURT CLERK: Grecia Snow

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court DENIES Defendants Motion to Strike and for Imposition of Sanctions. The Court places no restriction on the content Plaintiff may include in its Brief. Plaintiff did not violate EDCR 7.60(b). The Court, further, DENIES Plaintiff's Countermotion because Defendants motion was meritless, but not frivolous. Plaintiff to prepare and submit the Order, pursuant to the electronic submission requirements of AO 20-17.

CLERK'S NOTE: This Minute Order was e-mailed by Courtroom Clerk, Grecia Snow to: Lisa Rasmussen Esq., at Lisa@Veldlaw.com, Mitchell J. Langberg Esq., at mlangber@bhfs.com, and Elizabeth M. Ghanem Esq., at eghanem@gs-lawyers.com. 10/26/20 gs

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Other Civil Matters

COURT MINUTES

November 09, 2020

A-18-771224-C

Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

November 09, 2020

9:30 AM

Motion to Dismiss

HEARD BY: Scotti, Richard F.; Thompson,

COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 03B

Charles

COURT CLERK: Kathryn Hansen-McDowell

RECORDER:

Brittany Amoroso

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT:

Langberg, Mitchell J. Rasmussen, Lisa A.

Attorney

Attorney

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- Court noted it read the motion, support briefs, and orders. Arguments by counsel. COURT took matter UNDER ADVISEMENT, stated it would issue a minute order. Ms. Rasmussen stated it filed a support brief and Mr. Langberg moved to strike, requested Court review the Motion to strike and respond.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

November 09, 2020 12:16 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Thompson, Charles **COURTROOM:** No Location

COURT CLERK: Kathryn Hansen-McDowell

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- On June 20, 2018, Judge Scotti entered Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and an Order denying this motion. Defendants appealed and on January 23, 2020, the Nevada Supreme Court entered an Order vacating Judge Scotti s order and remanding with an opportunity for Plaintiffs to conduct limited discovery.

Plaintiffs first argue that they may revisit step one of the anti-SLAPP analysis. On July 13, 2020, Judge Scotti entered a minute order including the following: This matter came back after a remand from the Nevada Supreme Court where it appeared to the Court that the Supreme Court had resolved prong 1 and was remanding back to this Court for appropriate proceedings regarding prong 2, whether limited discovery should go forward and resolve the issue of the litigation privilege. Following arguments by counsel regarding their respective positions, Court advised it was not one hundred percent convinced that prong 1 was completely disposed of by the Nevada Supreme Court, after hearing Ms. Rasmussen paraphrasing the order. Court advised it needs to go back and review the Supreme Court order.

On July 21, 2020, after reviewing the Supreme Court Order, Judge Scotti entered a minute order which contained the following: Discovery is limited to the second prong of the anti-SLAPP analysis. It is clear from this minute order that Judge Scotti believed that prong 1 was resolved and that the

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limited discovery was only allowed with regard to prong 2.

This Court agrees with Judge Scotti. It is clear from the Supreme Court s order filed January 23, 2020, that the Defendants met their burden at step one of the anti-SLAPP analysis. In other words, the Court found that the Defendant's communications were in furtherance of their right to petition the government in connection with an issue of public concern and that the communications were in good faith. The Court then held that the Plaintiffs had not met their step-two burden of demonstrating with prima facie evidence a probability of prevailing on their claims. However, they believed that the Plaintiffs should be permitted limited discovery to see if they could meet that step-two burden.

Thereafter, Judge Scotti entered an order prescribing the limited discovery that would be permitted. Plaintiffs complain that the order was too limited. I believe that the judge appropriately exercised his discretion in this regard. Also, I do not sit as an appellate court over Judge Scotti. Thus, I decline to find that his Order was in any way in error.

Defendants first argue that the litigation privilege is dispositive of the prong 2 issue. I find that the argument has merit. First, the City Council proceedings were quasi-judicial and the privilege does apply to quasi-judicial proceedings. Also, the privilege applies even though the communications are not directed at the Council itself. Fink v. Oshins, 118 Nev. 428 (2002). In accordance with the holding in Oshins, communications between the residents would be included.

Today, Ms. Rasmussin cited Spencer v. Klementi, 466 P.3d 1241 (Nev. 2020), for the proposition that the privilege does not apply to quasi-judicial proceedings where due process protections similar to those provided in a court of law are not present. This Court believes that Spencer is distinguishable from the current matter. Spencer involved a defamation suit arising out of defamatory comments made to a public body during a public comment session. The speaker was not under oath. No opportunity to respond was provided. No cross-examination was allowed and the holding in the decision appears to be expressly limited to defamation suits. I believe that the Oshins case is more on point.

The civil conspiracy claim is the only claim that Plaintiff has argued meets the prong two test. However, a civil conspiracy must be to accomplish some unlawful objective where damage results. There was no unlawful objective here. Further, no damage to Plaintiffs may be claimed because the proceeding never occurred.

Even if the litigation privilege is not dispositive of the prong two issue, I find that Plaintiff has failed to demonstrate with prima facie evidence a probability of prevailing on any of their claims.

For the reasons set forth in Defendants Supplemental Brief filed October 30, 2020, the Motion to Dismiss is GRANTED. Mr. Langberg is directed to prepare a proposed appropriate order with findings. Further, he is directed to submit the Order, pursuant to the electronic submission requirements of AO 20-17.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

January 25, 2021

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Reconsideration

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK:

Dauriana Simpson

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court DENIES Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration for lack of jurisdiction.

"[A] timely notice of appeal divests the district court of jurisdiction to act and vests jurisdiction in [the Supreme Court]." Rust v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 103 Nev. 686, 688 (1987). However, "where the issue is 'entirely collateral to and independent from that part of the case taken up by appeal, and in no way affected the merits of the appeal," this Court may proceed with hearing the matter. Kantor v. Kantor, 116 Nev. 886, 895 (2000). Here, Plaintiffs seek reconsideration of this Court's December 10, 2020 Order. However, on January 8, 2021, Plaintiffs appealed that very same Order to the Nevada Supreme Court. As the matters in Plaintiffs' motion and on appeal are identical, and neither "collateral to" not "independent from" each other, this Court lacks jurisdiction to hear Plaintiffs' motion.

Defendant shall prepare and submit the Order, pursuant to the electronic submission requirements of AOs 20-17 and 20-24.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

March 01, 2021 3:00 AM Motion for Attorney Fees

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Louisa Garcia

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court shall issue a Minute Order resolving this matter.

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Other Civil Matters		COURT MINUTES	March 08, 2021
A-18-771224-C	Fore Stars Ltd, Pl vs. Daniel Omerza, l	, ,	
March 08, 2021	3:00 AM	Motion to Reconsider	
HEARD BY: Eller, G	Crystal	COURTROOM: Chambers	
COURT CLERK:			
RECORDER:			
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- The Court will issue a Minute Order resolving this matter.

A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s) vs. Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s) March 22, 2021

March 22, 2021 3:00 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Samantha Albrecht

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court GRANTS Plaintiffs Motion to Reconsider January 25, 2021 Minute Order.

[A] court may correct a clerical mistake or a mistake arising from oversight or omission whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record. NRCP 60(a). This may be done by the court sua sponte or on a timely motion from the parties, and does not require notice by the court. Id. Further, to prevail on a motion for reconsideration, the moving party must establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court's decision was clearly erroneous. See Masonry & Tile Contractors Ass n of S. Nevada v. Jolley, Urga, & Wirth, Ltd., 113 Nev. 737, 741 (1997).

As Plaintiff notes, when a case is on appeal, NRCP 62.1 allows a court to (1) defer considering the motion; (2) deny the motion; or (3) issue a statement that it will grant the motion, if remanded for that purpose, or that the motion raises a substantial issue. In the January 25th Minute Order, this Court failed to specify which of the above three options were in application. Accordingly, the Court reconsiders its prior Order, only for the sake of clarifying that Plaintiffs original Motion for Reconsideration is DENIED pursuant to item number two (2) of NRCP 62.1. The Court leaves resolution of that matter to the Supreme Court appeal.

Defendant shall prepare a modified version of its February 2, 2021 Order and resubmit with all

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necessary email authorizations, and in PDF format, pursuant to AOs 20-17 and 20-24 to DC19Inbox@clarkcountycourts.us within ten (10) days, allowing opposing counsel a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours for review as to form and content.

The Court also addresses that matter of Defendants Motion for Attorneys Fees and Additional Monetary Relief, filed on December 31, 2020. The Court has read and reviewed the parties submitted papers. However, the Court has some questions and concerns that can only be resolved by oral argument. Accordingly, the Court temporarily defers issuing a ruling on the matter, and SETS the motion for a hearing on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 9:00 AM. Pursuant to AO 20-24's strong discouragement of in-person appearances, the Court provides the March 31st Blue Jeans information below.

3/31/2021 Phone #: 408.419.1715 Session ID: 121 893 497 https://bluejeans.com/121893497

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Other Civil Matters COURT MINUTES March 31, 2021

A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)

VS.

Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

March 31, 2021 9:00 AM Motion for Attorney Fees

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal **COURTROOM:** RJC Courtroom 03B

COURT CLERK: Cynthia Moleres

RECORDER: Brittany Amoroso

REPORTER:

PARTIES

PRESENT: Langberg, Mitchell J. Attorney Rasmussen, Lisa A. Attorney

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- Counsel appeared via BlueJeans.

Arguments by Mr. Langberg in support of and by Ms. Rasmussen in opposition to the motion. COURT stated its findings and ORDERED, motion GRANTED in PART, attorney's fees granted in the amount of \$339,777.00 and \$23,467.00 for a total of \$363,244.00 and DENIED in PART regarding the additional monetary relief. Mr. Langberg to prepare the order.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

May 23, 2022 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Cynthia Moleres

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

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- Remittitur not received.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

June 22, 2022 3:00 AM Status Check

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Cynthia Moleres

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

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- Minute order to be issued.

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A-18-771224-C Fore Stars Ltd, Plaintiff(s)
vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

June 02, 2023 9:30 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Briana Barrett

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court DENIES Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider Order Granting Attorney's Fees Post-Remand.

EDCR 2.24 states that [n]o 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. [A] court may correct a clerical mistake or a mistake arising from oversight or omission whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record. NRCP 60(a). This may be done by the court sua sponte or on a timely motion from the parties, and does not require notice by the court. Id. Further, to prevail on a motion for reconsideration, the moving party must establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered, or that the Court's decision was clearly erroneous. See Masonry & Tile Contractors Ass n of S. Nevada v. Jolley, Urga, & Wirth, Ltd., 113 Nev. 737, 741 (1997). A finding is clearly erroneous' when although there is evidence to support it, the reviewing court on the entire evidence is left with the definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed. U.S v. Gypsum, 333 U.S. 364, 395 (1948). Finally, any [p]oints or contentions not raised in the original hearing cannot be maintained or considered on rehearing. Achrem v. Expressway Plaza Ltd. P'ship, 112 Nev. 737, 742 (1996).

Plaintiff has failed to establish that there was an error of law, substantially new evidence discovered,

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or that the Court's decision was clearly erroneous. Rather, Plaintiff reargues various arguments, which were previously asserted in the underlying Anti-SLAPP Motion. Defendants are correct in that the Nevada Supreme Court remanded this matter to the District Court for the sole purpose of considering the Brunzell factors in granting Defendants request for attorney s fees. Specifically, the Nevada Supreme Court Ordered, Consistent with the foregoing, we affirm the district court s order granting respondents special motion to dismiss in Docket No. 82338, and we vacate the order awarding attorney fees in Docket 82880, and remand for the court to consider the Brunzell factors and make the necessary findings to support the fee amount awarded. This Court considered the Brunzell factors and issued its own Order on the matter, filed on September 19, 2022 [Docket #132], which articulated the factors this Court considered and necessary findings to support its decision in granting Defendants Motion for attorney s fees.

Defendant is directed to prepare the Order; correcting for any scrivener error, and adding appropriate context and authorities. Further, Defendant shall submit the Order to DC19Inbox@clarkcountycourts.us within fourteen (14) calendar days, allowing a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours for opposing counsel to review.

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vs.
Daniel Omerza, Defendant(s)

June 02, 2023 9:30 AM Minute Order

HEARD BY: Eller, Crystal COURTROOM: Chambers

COURT CLERK: Briana Barrett

RECORDER:

REPORTER:

PARTIES PRESENT:

JOURNAL ENTRIES

- The Court GRANTS, in part, Defendants Supplemental Motion for Attorneys Fees and DENIES Plaintiffs Motion for Leave to File Sur-Reply to Defendants Reply, as moot.

In a case where claims have been successfully dismissed by way of an anti-SLAPP motion, NRS 41.670(1)(a) states that a court shall award reasonable cost and attorney s fees to the person against whom the action was brought. An award of additional amounts, up to \$10,000, are also permitted under NRS 41.670(1)(b). Further, where all claims are disposed of by the motion, fees incurred that are not directly related to the anti-SLAPP motion are recoverable. See Goldman v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 2020 WL 5633065, *1, *5 (Nev. Sept. 18, 2020)(affirming an award of fees and costs because the facts and legal arguments in the NRCP 12(b)(5) motion were intrinsically intertwined with those in the anti-SLAPP motion).

Additionally, NRS 18.010 provides for an award of attorney s fees where: (1) authorized by a specific statute; (2) the prevailing party has not recovered more than \$20,000; or (3) notwithstanding the recovery sought, the court finds that a claim, counterclaim, cross-claim or third-party complaint or defense was maintained without reasonable ground or to harass the prevailing party. Additionally, the provisions of the statute are the be liberally construe[d] in favor of awarding attorney s fees in all appropriate situations. Id. Further, such an award is also intended as a sanction to punish and deter frivolous and vexatious claims, pursuant to NRCP 11. Id. [A] claim is frivolous or groundless if

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there is no credible evidence to support it. Capanna v. Orth, 134 Nev. 888, 895 (2018). Here, an award of fees is warranted. NRS 41.670(1)(a) is abundantly clear that the Court shall award reasonable costs and fees. Further, fees incurred that are not directly related to the anti-SLAPP motion are recoverable. Goldman v. Clark Cty. Sch. Dist., 2020 WL 5633065, *1, *5 (Nev. Sept. 18, 2020)(affirming an award of fees and costs because the facts and legal arguments in the NRCP 12(b)(5) motion were intrinsically intertwined with those in the anti-SLAPP motion). This Court FINDS that Defendants requested fees are reasonable and properly supported by Brunzell analysis. Defendants have sufficiently demonstrated that they incurred additional attorney s fees in having to oppose and defend all of the various motions and appeals initiated by Plaintiffs in this matter. Accordingly, the Court GRANTS Defendants request for attorneys fees in the amount of \$43,620.50. However, the Court DENIES Defendants request for referral to Bar Counsel, pursuant to Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct 3.3. Therefore, Plaintiff s Motion for Leave to File a Sur-Reply is DENIED, as moot.

Defendant is directed to prepare the Order; correcting for any scrivener error, and adding appropriate context and authorities, including a thorough Brunzell analysis for the fees granted by the Court. Further, Defendant shall submit the Order to DC19Inbox@clarkcountycourts.us within fourteen (14) calendar days, allowing a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours for opposing counsel to review.

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State of Nevada
County of Clark
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I, Steven D. Grierson, the Clerk of the Court of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, State of Nevada, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of the hereinafter stated original document(s):

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL; DISTRICT COURT DOCKET ENTRIES; CIVIL COVER SHEET; ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND ADDITIONAL MONETARY RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRS 41.670 AND NRS 18.010(2); NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND ADDITIONAL MONETARY RELIEF PURSUANT TO NRS 41.670 AND NRS 18.010(2); ORDER GRANTING, IN PART, DEFENDANTS' SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES; AND DENYING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUR-REPLY TO DEFENDANTS' REPLY; NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER GRANTING, IN PART, DEFENDANTS' SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES; AND DENYING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUR-REPLY TO DEFENDANTS' REPLY; ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO RECONSIDER ORDER GRANTING ATTORNEY'S FEES POST-REMAND; NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO RECONSIDER ORDER GRANTING ATTORNEY'S FEES POST-REMAND; DISTRICT COURT MINUTES; NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

FORE STARS, LTD.; 180 LAND CO., LLC; SEVENTY ACRES, LLC,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

DANIEL OMERZA; DARREN BRESEE; STEVE CARIA,

Defendant(s),

now on file and of record in this office.

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Dept No: XIX

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed the seal of the Court at my office, Las Vegas, Nevada This 13 day of October 2023.

Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the Court

Cierra Borum, Deputy Clerk

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