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#### STATE OF NEVADA **DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS & INDUSTRY** REAL ESTATE DIVISION OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN FOR OWNERS IN COMMON INTEREST COMMUNITIES AND CONDOMINIUM HOTELS

Alternative Dispute Resolution Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

HIGHER GROUND, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; RRR HOMES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; TRIPLE BRAIDED CORD, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; EQUISOURCE, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; EQUISOURCE HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; APPLETON PROPERTIES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; CBRIS, LLC, a Florida limited liability company; METROPOLITAN EQUITY GROWTH ACQUISITION PROPERTIES, LLC, a Florida limited liability company (aka MEGA PROPERTIES); SOUTHERN NEVADÅ ACQUISITIONS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, VESTEDSPEC, INC., a Nevada corporation; CUSTOM ESTATES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; JSW REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS, LLC., a Nevada limited liability company; KINGFUTT'S PFM LLC, a Nevada limited liability company (aka KING FUTTS PFM LLC SERIES LV PROPERTIES); THORNTON & ASSOCIATES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; WINGBROOK CAPITAL LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; ELSINORE, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; KECJ, LLC a Nevada limited liability company; MONTESA, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; EKNV, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; EK NEVADA, INC., a Nevada corporation; JAWA, LLC., a Nevada limited liability company; HODAKA, LLC., a 24 Nevada limited liability company; HOMEOWNER BENEFITS, LLC.; a Nevada limited liability company; MAYFAIR PROPERTY, LLC., a Nevada limited liability company, QUANTUM HOMES, LLC., a Nevada limited liability company, IKON HOLDINGS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company, on behalf of themselves and as representatives of the class herein defined.

Claimants,

1	vs.
2	ADAGIO HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
3	ALEXANDER STATION COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; ALIANTE COVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
4	ALIANTE MASTER ASSOCIATION; ALLURE I TOWNHOMES HOMEOWNERS'
5	ASSOCIATION; ALONDRA HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
6	AMBER HILLS III HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; AMBER RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
7	AMERICAN WEST VILLAGE OWNERS ASSOCIATION; ANGEL COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
8	ANTELOPE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; ANTHEM HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
9	APPALOOSA CANYON/QUARTERHORSE FALLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	ARLINGTON RANCH ESTATES HOMEOWNERS
	ASSOCIATION; ARLINGTON RANCH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
	ASSOCIATION; ARLINGTON RANCH MANOR HOMEOWNERS
	ASSOCIATION; ARLINGTON RANCH NORTH MASTER ASSOCIATION;
	ARROYO GRANDE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCÉ ASSOCIATION, INC;
	ASCENTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ASPEN HILLS II ASSOCIATION;
	ASPEN MEADOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; ASTORIA TRAILS SOUTH HOMEOWNERS
	ASSOCIATION; AUTUMN GLEN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
17	AUTUMN RIDGE AT ALIANTE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
18	AVALON CONDOMINIUMS AT SEVEN HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
19	AVENTINE-TRAMONTI HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; AZURE ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
20	BACARA RIDGE ASSOCIATION;
21	BELCREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; BERKSHIRE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
22	BLACK HAWK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; BLACK MOUNTAIN VISTAS MASTER ASSOCIATION;
23	BLUE DIAMOND SPRINGS LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.;
24	BLUFFS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; BONITA HILLS ASSOCIATION;
25	BORDEAUX HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; BOULDER COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
26	BOULDER LANDING VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
27	BOULDER RANCH MASTER ASSOCIATION; BRADFORD PLACE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.;
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BRAEWOOD HERITAGE ASSOCIATION, INC.; BRIAR HILL PARK HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION BRIARWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; BRIGHTON MAINTENANCE CORPORATION; CABRILLO TERRACE OWNERS ASSOCIATION CACTUS COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CACTUS SPRINGS ATFAIRFAX VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CACTUS SPRINGS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; CALIMESA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CAMBRIA COLINAS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CAMBRIDGE CROSSING COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: CAMBRIDGE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; CAMBRIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CANYON WILLOW OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CANYON WILLOW TROP OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CANYON WILLOW WEST OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CARMEL CANYON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CARMEL RIDGE ASSOCIATION; CARRIAGE PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; CASA MESA CONDOMINIUMS HOMEOWNERS 11 ASSOCIATION: CASTLE ROCK ESTATES ASSOCIATION; CASTLERIDGE ESTATES AT TRAIL CANYON OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; CEDAR SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CELEBRITY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CENTENNIAL PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CENTENNIAL POINT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; CHAMPION VILLAGE MASTER ASSOCIATION; CHAMPION VILLAGE RESIDENTIAL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CHARLEMONT CONDOMINIUM HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 18 CHARLESTON HEIGHTS 44-E TOWNHOUSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; CHARLESTON VILLAGE HOMES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 20 CHATEAU NOUVEAU CONDOMINIUM UNIT-OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC; CHATEAU VERSAILLES CONDOMINIUM UNIT-OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC; 22 CHEYENNE AT SOUTHFORK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; 23 CHEYENNE GARDENS OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CHEYENNE HILLS AT SOUTHFORK OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CHRISTOPHER COMMUNITIES AT SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS GOLF CLUB HOMEOWNERS

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ASSOCIATION:

CIMARRON RIDGE ASSOCIATION;

CIMARRON SPRINGS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;

CIMARRON VILLAGE NORTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CITRUS GARDENS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CITY LIGHTS ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CIVANO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CLASSICS AT IRON MOUNTAIN RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; CLASSICS/ESTATES AT CENTENNIAL RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CLEARWATER CANYON PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION: CLEARWATER COVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: CLIFF SHADOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CLUB ALIANTE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; COBBLESTONE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; COBBLESTONE RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CONDOMINIUMS AT THE DISTRICT UNIT-OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC; COPPER CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; COPPER PALMS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; COPPER RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: COPPERHEAD TRAILS STREET AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION; CORAL CREST III HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CORAL PALMS UNIT-OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CORONADO PALMS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; CORONADO RANCH III LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION: 15 CORONADO RANCH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION; 16 CORONADO RANCH STREET AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION: CORTEZ HEIGHTS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: COTTONWOOD ON ALEXANDER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 18 COTTONWOOD TERRACE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; COUNTRY GARDEN OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; COUNTRY HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 20 COUNTRY RIDGE III HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; COUNTRYSIDE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 21 COURT AT ALIANTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; CREEKSIDE II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 22 CRESCENDO AT SILVER SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: 23 CRYSTAL SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; DAYSPRING PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; DEER MEADOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

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DESERT BLOOM HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; DESERT CREEK OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;

DESERT CREST HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; DESERT GREENS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

- SANDS VILLAS HOMEOWNERS' DESERT ASSOCIATION:
- DESERT SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; SHORES DESERT VILLAS CONDOMINIUM
- UNIT-OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC; DIAMOND CREEK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- DOUBLE DIAMOND RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- DOVE CANYON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: DURANGO SPRINGS LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
- 6 ASSOCIATION;
- EAGLE HEIGHTS AT ELKHORN **SPRINGS**
- **HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;** ECHO BAY CONDOMINIUMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- EDNA GARDENS OWNERS' ASSOCIATION; ELAN OWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- EL CAPITAN RANCH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION;
- 10 ELDORADO NEIGHBORHOOD FIRST HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION;
- **||ELDORADO NEIGHBORHOOD SECOND HOMEOWNERS** ASSOCIATION;
- ELDORADO THIRD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; ELKHORN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, A NEVADA
- NON-PROFIT CORPORATION;
- ELKRIDGE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC;
- IEMERALD RIDGE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION;
- ENCANTADA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; ESCONDIDO ESTATES, INC;
- ESPLANADE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION:
- ESTATES AT STALLION MOUNTAIN HOMEOWNERS' **||ASSOCIATION:**
- FALLEN LEAF HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- FALLS AT HIDDEN CANYON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- FIFTH AND FARM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; FIORE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- FIRETHORNE III HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: FIRST LIGHT AT OLD VEGAS RANCH HOMEOWNERS
- ASSOCIATION;
- FIRST LIGHT AT ARLINGTON RANCH HOMEOWNERS
- ASSOCIATION; FIRST LIGHT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- FOOTHILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; FOREST HILLS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- TURNBERRY PLACE CONDOMINIUM FOUR ASSOCIATION:
- FOX RIDGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; GALLERIA VILLAS CONDOMINIUMS ASSOCIATION:
- 26 GALLERY AT THE GRAND LEGACY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION:
- GARDEN TERRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION: 27

- 1 GENEVIEVE COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 2 GEYSER PEAK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; GIAVANNA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 3 GLENEAGLES HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION; GLENWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 4 GRANADA POINTE LIMITED HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION:
- 5 GRAND TETON VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; GREEN VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD HOMEOWNERS
- 6 ASSOCIATION;
- GREEN VALLEY RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,
- 7 ||INC.;
- GREEN VALLEY SOUTH OWNERS ASSOCIATION NO. 1;
- 8 GREENWAY CROSSING HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; GREENWAY VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 9 HARMONY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; HERITAGE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 10 HERITAGE SQUARE SOUTH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 11 HIDDENCREST/PARKHURST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 12 HIGHLAND GLEN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; HIGHLAND HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 13 HIGHLAND SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; HIGHLANDS MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
- 14 HIGHLANDS RANCH NORTH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION, A NEVADA
- 15 NON-PROFIT CORPORATION;
  - HILLPOINTE PARK MAINTENANCE DISTRICT;
- 16 HILLSBORO HEIGHTS HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 17 HILLSTONE ESTATES II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; HOLLYWOOD HIGHLANDS EAST LANDSCAPE
- 18 MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC;
  - HOMETOWN ENCORE OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 19 HOMETOWN WEST II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; HORIZONS AT SEVEN HILLS HOMEOWNERS
- 20 ASSOCIATION;
- HUNTINGTON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 21 IMAGES FIESTA! MASTER ASSOCIATION; IMAGES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 22 INDEPENDENCE II HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; INDIAN HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 23 INDIAN WELLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; INSPIRATION AT GREEN VALLEY RANCH
- 24 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- INTERLUDE AT SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS OWNERS
- 25 ASSOCIATION;
- IRON MOUNTAIN RANCH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
- 26 ASSOCIATION, INC;
- IRONWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

- 1 ISLA AT SOUTH SHORES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 2 JONATHAN'S GLEN III HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; KENSINGTON OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 3 LA CUESTA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; LADERA PARK HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION;
- 4 LAKE MEAD COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; LAKE MEAD VIEW ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 5 LAMPLIGHT COTTAGES @ CORONADO RANCH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 6 LAMPLIGHT COTTAGES @ SANTOLI HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION:
- 7 LAMPLIGHT GARDENS @ CORONADO RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 8 LAMPLIGHT GARDENS AT SILVERADO RANCH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 9 LAMPLIGHT SQUARE @ SILVERADO RANCH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 10 LAMPLIGHT VILLAGE @ CENTENNIAL SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 11 LAMPLIGHT VILLAGE AT SILVERADO RANCH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 12 LAS HADAS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
  - LATIGO CONDOMINIUM UNIT-OWNERS'
- 13 ASSOCIATION, INC; LAUREL CANYON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 14 LEGACY CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION;
- LEGACY VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 15 LEGENDS MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
  - LEXINGTON/CONCORDE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 16 LIBERTY AT MAYFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; LIBERTY AT PARADISE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 17 LIBERTY AT SILVERADO RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 18 LIBERTY AT THE ORCHARDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 19 LIBERTY AT TIERRA LINDA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 20 LONE MOUNTAIN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 21 LONE MOUNTAIN TERRACE ASSOCIATION; LYNBROOK MASTER ASSOCIATION;
- 22 MADEIRA CANYON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; MADISON ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 23 MAJESTIC HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; MANHATTAN HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 24 MANZANITA HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; MARAVILLA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 25 MARIE ANTOINETTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.:
- 26 MARIPOSA PLACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; MARYLAND PEBBLE AT SILVERADO HOMEOWNERS
- 27 ASSOCIATION;

- 1 MAYFIELD ESTATES LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 2 MEADOWBROOK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; MEADOW RIDGE II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 3 MEADOWS CONDOMINIUMS UNIT OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 4 MERIDIAN PARK 5 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; MERIDIAN PRIVATE RESIDENCES HOMEOWNERS
- 5 ASSOCIATION;
  - MESA AND VALLA AT MOUNTAINS EDGE
- 6 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
  - MESA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 7 MESA VERDE BY RICHMOND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 8 MESA VERDE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; MESQUITE VISTAS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 9 MISSION DEL REY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; MISSION POINTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 10 MONACO LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC;
- MONARCH ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- MONTANA HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; 12 MONTECITO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- MONTEROSSO VINTAGE HOMEOWNERS
- 13 ASSOCIATION; MONUMENT AT LONE MOUNTAIN HOMEOWNERS
- 14 ASSOCIATION, INC.; MOONDANCE/SUNCHASE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 15 MOUNTAIN'S EDGE MASTER ASSOCIATION;
- MOUNTAINSIDE MANOR HOMEOWNERS 16 ASSOCIATION;
- MYSTIC VALLEY ASSOCIATION;
- 17 NEVADA TRAILS II COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; NEWBURY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 18 NEWPORT COVE CONDOMINIUM UNIT-OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 19 NEWPORT TOWNHÓMES OWNERS ASSOCIATION; NORTH CANYON ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION,
- 20 INC; NORTHBROOK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- NORTHRIDGE ESTATES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 22 NORTHRIDGE GARDENS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 23 OAK FOREST VILLÁS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC:
- 24 PACIFIC LEGENDS EAST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATES; PAINTED DESERT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 25 PALERMO WEST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; PALM CANYON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 26 PALMILLA HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION; PALOMA HOMEOWNERS;

- 1 PANORAMA TOWERS CONDOMINIUM UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 2 PARADISE COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; PARADISE ISLAND HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION;
- 3 PARADISE MEADOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; PARCEL 48C HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 4 PARK 1 AT SUMMERLINGATE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 5 PARK AVENUÉ HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- PARK BONANZA EAST TOWNHOUSE OWNERS 6 ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- PARK VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; 7 PARKWAY VILLAS OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- PASEO VERDE TWILIGHT HOMEOWNERS
- 8 ASSOCIATION;
  - PEBBLE CANYON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 9 PEBBLE CREEK VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 10 PECCOLE RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; PECOS CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 11 PECOS-PARK SUNFLOWER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 12 PINE GROVE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; PINE MEADOWS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 13 PLUM CREEK AT SPANISH TRAIL ASSOCIATION; PORTICO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 14 PRAIRIE ROSE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; PROVIDENCE AT WESTLAKE ASSOCIATION;
- 15 PROVIDENCE MASTER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; RAINBOW VILLAS CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION;
- 16 RAINTREE WEST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; RANCHO BEL AIR PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION
- 17 UNIT 1, INC; RANCHO LAKE CONDOMINIUM UNIT-OWNERS'
- 18 ASSOCIATION, INC;
- RANCHO LAS PALMAS NEIGHBORHOOD
- 19 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- RANCHO LAS VEGAS ESTATES ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 20 RED HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
  - REGATTA POINTE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 21 RENAISSANCE AT TIERRA DE LAS PALMAS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 22 RHODES RANCH ASSOCIATION, INC;
- RIDGE COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 23 RIDGEGATE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION;
- 24 RIO VISTA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- RIVERWALK RANCH MASTER HOMEOWNERS
- 25 ASSOCIATION;
- ROBINDALE VILLAS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 26 ROCK CREEK MANOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; ROCK SPRINGS ELDORA NO. 10 OWNERS'
- 27 ASSOCIATION;

1	ROCK SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	ROCK SPRINGS MESOUITE 2 OWNERS' ASSOCIATION:
2	ROCK SPRINGS VISTA 3 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	ROSABELLA AT ALEXANDER ESTATES
3	HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
	ROYAL ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
4	ROYAL HIGHLANDS STREET AND LANDSCAPE
7	MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
5	SADDLERIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
,	SAFARI HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
6	SAGECREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
0	SAHARA MOUNTAIN VISTA HOMEOWNERS
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	SAHARA SUNRISE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
8	SAN MARINO PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SAN MARINO CIRCLE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION,
9	A NEVADA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION;
	SAN NICCOLO AT SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS
10	HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SAN REMO HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
11	SANDPIPER GOLF VILLAS HOMEOWNERS
	ASSOCIATION;
12	SANTA BELLA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SANTA FE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
13	SAVALLI ESTATES HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCÍATION, INC;
	SBH 1 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
14	SBH 4 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
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15	SCOTTSDALE PLACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SCOTTSDALE VALLEY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
16	SEDONA CONDOMINIUM HOMEOWNERS
	ASSOCIATION, INC;
17	SCENIC VIEW TOWNHOMES OWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
	SEASONS AT ALIANTE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
18	SEVEN HILLS MASTER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
	SEVILLE ETAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
19	SHADOW CROSSINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
<u> </u>	SHADOW MOUNTAIN RANCH COMMUNITY
20	ASSOCIATION;
	SHADOW MOUNTAIN RANCH LANDSCAPE
21	MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
	SHADOW SPRINGS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
22	SHADOW CROSSINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SHADOW HILLS MASTER ASSOCIATION;
23	SHENANDOAH OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
	SHORELINE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION;
24	SIENA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
ا ہے	SIERRA RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
25	SILVER CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SILVER CROSSING HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
	SILVER OAK/SILVER POINTES LANDSCAPE
	MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION:

- 1 SILVERADO COURT LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
- 2 SILVERADO COURTYARDS ASSOCIATION; SILVERADO PINES LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
- 3 ASSOCIATION, INC; SILVERADO PLACE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 4 SILVERADO RANCH II LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION:
- 5 SILVERADO RÁNCH III LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
- 6 SILVERADO RANCH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CORPORATION;
- 7 SILVERADO SOUTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SILVERLYN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 8 SILVERSTONE RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; SKY LAS VEGAS CONDOMINIUM UNIT OWNERS'
- 9 ASSOCIATION;
- SMOKE RANCH VILLAS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 10 SOLANA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- SOLANA TERRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; 11 SOLERA AT ANTHEM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.:
- 12 SOMERSET HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SOUTH SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 13 SOUTH VALLEY RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 14 SOUTHERN TERRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SOUTHFORK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 15 SOUTHPARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION;
  - SOUTHWEST RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 16 S.P. HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; SPRING MOUNTAIN RANCH MASTER ASSOCIATION;
- 17 SPRING OAKS III HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SPRING VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD HOMEOWNERS'
- 18 ASSOCIATION; SPRINGFIELD PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 19 SPRINGS AT CENTENNIAL RANCH HOMEOWNÉRS ASSOCIATION;
- 20 SQUIRE VILLAGE AT SILVER SPRINGS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 21 STALLION MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; STARFIRE ESTATES III HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 22 STARFIRE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- STEPHANIE 130 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; STEPHANIE COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; STERLING COURT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 24 STONE CANYON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; STONECLIFF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 25 STONECREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; STONE RIDGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION;
- 26 STONERIDGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; STRATFORD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 27 STURBRIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

- 1 SUMMERFIELD VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 2 SUMMER RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SUMMERLIN NORTH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 3 SUMMERLIN SOUTH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; SUMMERLIN WEST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 4 SUMMIT HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SUN CITY ALIANTE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 5 SUN CITY ANTHEM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC; SUN CITY MACDONALD RANCH COMMUNITY
- 6 ASSOCIATION, INC;
- SUN CITY SUMMERLIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, 7 INC;
- SUN CITY SUMMERLIN NEIGHBORHOOD
- 8 MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC;
  - SUNCREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 9 SUNDANCE AT THE SHADOWS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION:
- 10 SUNRIDGE AT MACDONALD RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 11 SUNRIDGE ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SUNRIDGE HEIGHTS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 12 SUNRIDGE HEIGHTS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SUNRISE CANYON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; SUNRISE RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 13 SUNRISE VILLAS II AND III HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION;
- 14 SUNRISE VILLAS VIII HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; SUNSET CLIFFS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 15 SUNSET COURTYARDS ASSOCIATION; SUNSET PASS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 16 SUNSET RIDGE LIMITED HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 17 SUNSET TRAILS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; SUTTER CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 18 SWEETWATER CANYON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION:
- 19 SYMPHONY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION; TAHOE II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 20 TALASERA AND VICANTO HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 21 TANGLEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; TANTARA UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- TAOS ESTATES I HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCÍATION; TAHOE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- TAPATIO II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
  TAPESTRY AT TOWN CENTER HOMEOWNERS
- 24 ASSOCIATION; TEMPO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 25 TEN OAKS ESTATES ASSOCIATION;
- TERRA COTTA II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 26 TERRA LINDA TOWNHOUSE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

- 1 TERRASANTA CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 2 TERRACES AT ROSE LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 3 TERRACINÁ TERRASOL HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION:
- 4 TERRAZZO AT MACDONALD RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 5 THE BLUFFS DUPLEXES-ENCORE ADDITION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 6 THE COTTAGES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; THE COURTYARDS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 7 THE COVES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; THE ENCLAVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 8 THE ESTATES AT SEVEN HILLS OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 9 THE FALLS AT RHODES RANCH CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 10 THE GRANADA PALOMAR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 11 THE GREENBRIAR TOWNHOUSE OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC;
- 12 THE GREENS HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; THE HEATHERS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- THE ISLANDS AT SPANISH TRAIL ASSOCIATION;
  THE MASTER SERIES AT THE LEGACY COMMUNITY
- 14 ASSOCIATION; THE MEADOWS AT ELKHORN SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS
- 15 ASSOCIATION, INC;
- THE PARKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; THE PEAKS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- THE RANCHES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 17 THE REGENT AT TOWN CENTRE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 18 THE RESIDENCE AT CANYON GATE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 19 THE SEASONS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; THE SECTION SEVEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 20 THE SPANISH SPRINGS VALLEY RANCHES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- THE STONEGATE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
  THE SUMMIT AT MOUNTAINS EDGE HOMEOWNERS
- 22 ASSOCIATION; THE SUNRISE MOUNTAIN TOWN HOMES
- 23 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; THE VILLAGE OF SILVER SPRINGS COMMUNITY
- 24 ASSOCIATION; THE WHITNEY RANCH OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 25 TIBURON ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;
- 26 TIDÉS I HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; TIDES II HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 27 TIERRA BELLA HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;

1 TIERRA DE LAS PALMAS OWNERS ASSOCIATION; TIERRA LINDA LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE 2 ASSOCIATION, INC;

TIERRA MESA ASSOCIATION;

- 3 TIMBER CREEK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- TOWN CENTER ESTATES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 4 TOWN CENTER VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; TRADITIONS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 5 TRAMONTO VILLAGIO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; TRAVERSE POINT CONDOMINIUMS UNIT-OWNERS'
- 6 ASSOCIATION, INC.;
  - TRAVERSE POINT LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
- 7 ASSOCIATION, INC.;
  - TREO NORTH AND SOUTH HOMEOWNERS'
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  - TRIANA HOMÉOWNERS ASSOCIATION:
- 9 TRIPOLY AT WARM SPRINGS SOUTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 10 TROPICAL BRÉEZE V OWNERS ASSOCIATION; TROPICANA SQUARE HOMES ASSOCIATION;
- 11 TROPICANA VILLAS HOMES ASSOCIATION; TROVARE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 12 TURNBERRY TOWERS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; TURTLE CREEK ESTATES HOMEOWNERS
- 13 ASSOCIATION;
  - TUSCANO HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 14 TWILIGHT AT OLD VEGAS RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 15 TWILIGHT NORTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; VENTANA AT SIERRA MONTANA HOMEOWNERS'
- 16 ASSOCIATION;
- VERDE VIEJO OWNERS' ASSOCIATION;
- 17 VICTORY OVATION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; VILLA DEL ORO OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 18 VILLA DEL SOL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; VILLA SEDONA COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION;
- 19 VILLAGE 2 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- VILLAGE AT CRAIG RANCH HOMEOWNER'S
- 20 ASSOCIATION; VILLAGIO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- 21 VILLAGIO PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- VILLAS AT BLUE DIAMOND SPRINGS COMMUNITY
- 22 ASSOCIATION;
- VILLAS AT FLAMINGO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION,
- 23 INC.;
- VILLAS AT FORT APACHE HOMEOWNERS
- 24 ASSOCIATION; VILLAS AT HUNTINGTON HOMEOWNERS
- 25 ASSOCIATION:
- VILLAS AT SILVERADO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;
- 26 VIZCAYA AT THE TRAILS CONDOMINIUM UNIT OWNERS ASSOCIATION;
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VISTA RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

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and the proposed class members, include, without limitation, collection fees, interest, filing fees, recording fees, fees related to the preparation, recording or delivery of a lien or lien rescissions, title search fees, bankruptcy search fees, referral fees, fees for postage or delivery, and other fees or costs for the investigation, enforcement or collection of past due assessments or other obligations ("Non-**Incurred Collection Charges"**). Sub-Class A is more particularly described in Paragraph 60, *infra*.

- 3. Sub-Class B of the proposed class consists of all persons or entities who own, or owned residential real property located within Respondents and who had recorded against them by Respondents or Agents a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and who paid money to Respondents or Agents for the drafting and/or recordation of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and/or paid money for the release of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien ("False Lien Payments"). Sub-Class A is more particularly described in Paragraph 60, infra.
- 4. Sub-Class C of the proposed class consists of all persons and entities who obtained title to residential real property located within Respondents through foreclosure auctions held by the first security interest holders of said residential real property and who have paid or are being demanded to pay amounts of money to Respondents, the obligation of which having been extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender pursuant Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116 ("Unlawful **Lien Amounts**"). Sub-Class C is more particularly described in Paragraph 60, *infra*.
- 5. Sub-Class D of the proposed class consists of all persons and entities who obtained title to residential real property located within Respondents through foreclosure auctions held by the first security interest holders of said residential real property and who have paid or are being demanded to pay amounts of money to Respondents which exceed that amount permitted pursuant to the recorded covenants, conditions and restrictions (" CC&R's") of the Respondents ("Excessive CC&R **Amounts**"). Sub-Class D is more particularly described in Paragraph 60, infra.
- 6. Respondents are Nevada common interest communities who have made, and are making improper, inaccurate and/or excessive demands, through themselves or by their Agents, upon Claimants and the proposed class members for claimed collection fees and costs which Respondents did not actually incur nor were liable for at the time of the lien or demand, and for claimed lien

7. As a result of Respondents' practices, Respondents by their own acts or through their Agents acting within the course and scope of the agency, have demanded or received the monies of Claimants and the proposed class members to which Respondents and Agents have no legal entitlement. By and through the principle of respondent superior, Respondents are liable for, and are being sued by this Complaint for all acts as described herein, whether performed by Respondents, or performed by Agents.

#### THE PARTIES

- 8. At all times material hereto, Respondents were Nevada common interest community associations and unit owners' associations as defined in NRS §116.011, also commonly known as a homeowners' associations.
- 9. Respondents is are entities organized and existing under the laws of the State of Nevada or other states and transact business in the State of Nevada.
- 10. Respondents are bound by the provisions of NRS §116, are bound by their recorded CC&R's, and are bound by the provisions of that chapter of the Nevada Revised Statutes under which they are incorporated.
- 11. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, or otherwise, of Respondents herein designated as DOES 1 through 10 and ROE ENTITIES 1 through 10 inclusive, are unknown to Claimants at this time, who therefore sue said Respondents by such fictitious names. Claimants are informed and believe and thereupon allege that each of said Respondents are responsible in some manner for the events and happenings alleged herein and proximately caused the injuries and damages herein alleged. Claimants will seek leave to amend this Complaint to allege their true names and capacities as they are ascertained.
- 12. The demand, collection and filing of the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, Unlawful Lien Amounts, Excessive CC&R Amounts and False Lien Payments by Respondents or Agents

constitute violations of the Nevada Revised Statutes, violations of the CC&R's, and violations of the common laws of the State of Nevada.

#### **JURISDICTION**

- 13. This action is brought in accordance with NRS 38.310, NRS 32.231, Green Tree Financial Corp. v. Bazzle, 539 U.S. 444, 123 S.Ct. 2402 (2003) and Howsam v. Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.,537 U.S. 79, 123 S.Ct. 588 (2002).
- 14. NRS 32.231 states that an arbitrator may conduct an arbitration in such manner as the arbitrator considers appropriate for a fair and expeditious disposition of the proceeding. In *Green Tree Financial Corp. v. Bazzle, 539 U.S. 444, 123 S.Ct. 2402 (2003) and Howsam v. Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.,537 U.S. 79, 123 S.Ct. 588 (2002)*, the Supreme Court of the United States held that arbitrators, and not courts, should determine whether class arbitration is permissible where no arbitration clause addresses the issue and, in the absence of an agreement to the contrary, issues of procedural arbitrability are for the arbitrators to decide.
- 15. This action is brought in accordance with Rule 23 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure. The classes represented by the named Claimants in this action are described in Paragraph 60 of this Complaint. These persons and entities constitute classes that are so numerous that joinder is impracticable. Since the named Respondents acted similarly in connection with one or more of the proposed classes, there exists questions of law or fact which are common to all members of the classes, and which predominate over questions of law and fact which affect only individual members of the classes. Since Claimants have interests in this action coincident with and not adverse to the classes they represent, and have a substantial financial interest in this action, Claimants will adequately protect the interests of the classes they represent.
- 16. By maintaining this action as a class action, savings in time, effort, and expense will be achieved by both the arbitrator/mediator/court and parties to this action. One of the advantages of maintaining this action as a class action is that persons and entities who are members of the class, and who have claims which might not otherwise warrant individual actions, will be provided with a method for the redress of their claims.

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17. Additionally, the maintenance of this action as a class action will eliminate the possibility of repetitious litigation which might result in the establishment of incompatible standards of conduct for the Respondents. Thus, a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy.

#### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 18. Claimants and the Proposed Class Members (defined infra) are, or have been "unit owners" as defined by NRS §116.095 and are therefore protected by the provisions of NRS §116 and Respondents' CC&R's and have owned or currently own a "unit" as defined by NRS §116.093.
- 19. Claimants have taken title to residential properties located within Respondents, including but not limited to Assessor Parcel Numbers:

## Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class A Members

- 20. Provisions of NRS 116.3102 and provisions of the CC&R's under which Claimants, the Proposed Sub-Class A Members and the Respondents are bound permit homeowners' associations to impose charges incurred by them against any unit owner relating to that unit owner's late payment of assessments.
- 21. Upon information and belief, Respondents entered into an agreement with a third party collection agency ("Debt Collector") to provide collection services to Respondents (the "Collection Agreement").
- 22. However, upon information and belief, it has been the practice between Respondents and the Debt Collector that the Debt Collector would not charge, bill, or collect from the Respondents any collection fees, but would instead bill to and collect from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members all such collection fees and costs.
- 23. Thus, upon information and belief, at no time relevant hereto did Respondents ever actually incur any collection fees for the Debt Collector's collection services as such fees were not the obligation of Respondents pursuant to the Collection Agreement and pursuant to past practices between the Respondents and the Debt Collector.

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- 24. Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3102(k) permits only Respondents to impose charges for late payment of assessments against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.
- 25. Further, Nevada Revised Statutes §116.310313(1) permits only Respondents to charge Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members reasonable fees to cover the costs of collecting any past due obligation.
- 26. Nevada Revised Statutes §116.310313(3)(a) defines "costs of collecting" as any fee, charge or cost, by whatever name, including, without limitation, any collection fee, filing fee, recording fee, fee related to the preparation, recording or delivery of a lien or lien rescission, title search lien fee, bankruptcy search fee, referral fee, fee for postage or delivery and any other fee or cost that an association charges a unit's owner for the enforcement or collection of a past due obligation.
- 27. There is no provision at law which permits Respondents to authorize the Debt Collector to unilaterally assess and charge to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members any and all fees and costs that the Debt Collector wishes to charge in the collection of past due obligations.
- 28. Irrespective of the fact that Respondents never actually incurred any collection fees or costs, Respondents and Agents have sent, and continue to send to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hundreds of collection demands, notices, and other communications wherein Respondents or Agents falsely represent that Respondents have incurred (and that, therefore, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members owe to Respondents) collection fees, interest, filing fees, recording fees, fees related to the preparation, recording or delivery of a lien or lien rescissions, title search fees, bankruptcy search fees, referral fees, fees for postage or delivery, and other fees or costs for the investigation, enforcement or collection of past due assessments or other obligations.
- 29. Further, Respondents have maintained hundreds of alleged "liens" against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members based in whole or in part upon these Non-Incurred Collection Charges.
- 30. All demands, notices, liens and other communications requesting the Non-Incurred Collection Charges misrepresent the true fact that no such collection costs are permitted or have been

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incurred by the Respondents nor were chargeable to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.

31. However, on hundreds of occasions, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have relied upon Respondents' misrepresentations and have paid to Respondents or Agents monies demanded through the Non-Incurred Collection Charges.

## **Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class B Members**

- 32. Further, Respondents or Agents have recorded against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members a fugitive document called a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien.
- 33. However, there is no provision at law which recognizes the existence of such a document, nor is there any provision at law which permits the public recording or publishing of a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien, nor did Claimants or the Proposed Sub-Class B Members ever authorize such recording.
- 34. Indeed, pursuant to NRS 116.3116(4), "Recording of the declaration constitutes record notice and perfection of the lien. No further recordation of any claim of lien for assessment under this section is required."
- 35. Thus, what Respondents and Agents represented as a "lien" (the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien) was, in fact, not a lien, but merely a notice pursuant to NRS 116.31162 which merely authorizes the mailing of a "notice" of delinquent assessment to the delinquent homeowner.
- 36. However, Respondents and Agents misrepresented the fact that the "Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien" was a legal lien, misrepresented the fact that the Nevada Revised Statutes authorized the recording of such a document, and misrepresented the fact the they were entitled to record such a document, all in order to coerce Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members into paying fees and/or assessments which they did not owe.
- 37. Further, Respondents and Respondents' Agent improperly charged Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members several hundred dollars for the drafting and recording of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien, even though said document does not exist as a matter of law and there is no provision in law which authorizes the filing of such document.

## Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class C Members

- 40. Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116 governs liens against property located within Respondents and generally states as follows:
  - a. Respondents have a statutory lien on any unit of real property located with their associations for any assessment imposed against a unit or fine imposed against the unit's owner from the time the assessment or fine became due;
  - b. However, Respondents' lien is <u>junior</u> to the first security interest of the unit's first mortgage lender except for a certain, limited and specified portion of the lien as defined in Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116 which remains senior to the first security interest of the unit's first mortgage lender, provided that Respondents had instituted an "action" to enforce their liens (the "Super Priority Lien").
- 41. On and after October 1, 2009, the statutory formula for calculating the Super Priority Lien was as follows: the lien is prior to the first security interest on the unit to the extent of any charges incurred by the association on a unit pursuant to NRS 116.310312 and to the extent of the assessments for common expenses based on the periodic budget adopted by the association pursuant to NRS 116.3115 which would have become due in the absence of acceleration during the 9 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the lien unless federal regulations adopted

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by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association require a shorter period of priority for the lien.

- 42. Before October 1, 2009, the 9 month time frame cited above, was limited to only 6 months.
- 43. The Unlawful Lien Amounts are those amounts having been, and being demanded and collected by Respondents and Agents, that pursuant to NRS §116.3116, have been legally extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender, leaving only the Super Priority Lien, if any, as the lawful amount to be demanded and collected by Respondents from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members.
- 44. Upon information and belief, and as may be discovered during this litigation, after the date upon which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members became the legal owners of the real property (i.e., the date of the trustee's sale of first mortgage lender) on each of hundreds of instances over the last several years, Respondents and Agents have improperly demanded and obtained monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members in the following manner:
  - Homeowners, owning a unit of real property within the Respondents become a. delinquent ("Delinquent Homeowners") in the payment of their association assessments and other fees and charges ("Homeowners' Past Due **Obligations**") and also default on their first mortgages;
  - b. The Homeowners' Past Due Obligations constitute a statutory lien on the Delinquent Homeowners' unit pursuant to NRS §116.3116;
  - Due to the Delinquent Homeowners' inability to pay their first mortgages, the c. Delinquent Homeowners' first mortgage lenders foreclosed on the Delinquent Homeowners' unit;
  - d. At the foreclosure auction, the Delinquent Homeowners' first mortgage lender, Claimants, or an investor, or other person or entity, took title to the subject unit via a trustee's sale deed;

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e.	At the moment the foreclosure auction concluded on a subject unit, pursuant
	to NRS §116.3116, the Respondents' statutory lien against the unit for the
	Homeowners' Past Due Obligations became extinguished, but for the Super
	Priority Lien, if any;

- f. Instead of informing Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members (who are the transferees of the auctioned units) that Respondents' liens had been extinguished due to the foreclosure auction, and that only the Super Priority Lien was due (if any), Respondents or Agents issued inaccurate written or oral demands to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members for hundreds or thousands of dollars in excess of any amount permitted under NRS 116.3116, often including all those amounts owed by the original Delinquent Homeowner (i.e., the Unlawful Lien Amounts);
- Respondents or Agents made inaccurate representations to Claimants and the g. Proposed Sub-Class C Members which included that the Respondents or Agents had the legal right to collect and receive from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members the Unlawful Lien Amounts when, as a matter of law, they did not;
- h. Such demands and representations were inaccurate because Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members did not owe the Unlawful Lien Amounts. The statutory lien amounts which comprised the Homeowners' Past Due Obligations were extinguished as against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members and the units as a matter of law (NRS §116.3116) as a result of the first mortgage lender's foreclosure auction, but for the Super Priority Lien, if any;
- i. Respondents or Agents failed and refused to correct their inaccurate representations and demands;

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- k. Under unlawful threat of the continuing clouds on their title and/or issuance of inaccurate demands and/or institution of wrongful foreclosure proceedings by Respondents or Agents, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members were forced to pay the Unlawful Lien Amounts.
- 45. By repeatedly employing this very scheme hundreds of times over the last several years, Respondents and Agents have collected monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members that was not owed and to which Respondents had no legal entitlement.
- 46. Respondents have demanded and collected the Unlawful Lien Amounts in violation of NRS §116.3116 and the common laws of the State of Nevada.
- 47. Further, pursuant to NRS §116.3116, before any amounts comprising the Super Priority Lien may become due, Respondents are required to file a civil action to enforce collection of their lien. However, in many or all instances above described, the Super Priority Lien did not exist because Respondents failed to file a civil action to enforce their lien.
- 48. Nonetheless, on hundreds of separate occasions, Respondents improperly demanded and received from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members monies to which neither Respondents nor Agents were entitled.
- 49. Through the demanding and collecting of the Unlawful Lien Amounts from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members, and the misrepresentations related thereto, Respondents are in violation of NRS §116, NRS §598 and the common laws of the State of Nevada and are responsible for the violations of NRS §649 committed by their Agents.

# Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class D Members

50. Respondents' CC&R's contain provisions ("Mortgagee Protection Provisions") whereby the Respondents' assessment liens are subordinate to the first mortgage lender and are extinguished by the foreclosure of a first mortgage lender but for a limited number of monthly assessments, if any.

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- 51. The "Excessive CC&R Amounts" are those amounts having been, and being demanded and collected by Respondents or Agents that, pursuant to the Mortgagee Protection Provisions, have been extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender.
- 52. Upon information and belief, and as may be discovered during this litigation, after transfer to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members of the residential units at foreclosure, Respondents or Agents, on each of hundreds of instances over the last several years, have improperly demanded and obtained monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members by demanding and collecting the Excessive CC&R Amounts.
- 53. Instead of informing Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members (who are transferees of the auctioned units) that only a limited number of monthly assessments were due, if any, pursuant to the Mortgage Protection Provisions of the CC&R's, Respondents or Agents issued inaccurate written or oral demands to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members, or their escrow companies or representatives for hundreds or thousands of dollars in excess of any amount permitted under the CC&R's.
- 54. Respondents or Agents misrepresented to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members that Respondents have the legal right to demand, collect and receive from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members the Excessive CC&R Amounts when, pursuant to the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the CC&R's, they did not.
- 55. Excessive CC&R Amounts were extinguished as against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members pursuant to the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the CC&R's at foreclosure and were not due and owing from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members.
  - 56. Under unlawful threat of the continuing clouds on their title and/or issuance of inaccurate demands and/or institution of wrongful foreclosure proceedings by Respondents or Agents, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members are, and have been, forced to pay the Excessive CC&R Amounts to the Respondents or Agents.
  - 57. By repeatedly employing this very scheme hundreds of times over the last several years, Respondents or Agents have obtained monies which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D

Members did not owe, and to which Respondents were not legally entitled.

- 58. Thus, Respondents' demand and collection of Excessive CC&R Amounts violated the CC&R's and the common and statutory laws of the State of Nevada.
- 59. Respondents' misrepresentations that amounts were owed in excess of what is permitted by the CC&RS violated the CC&R's, NRS §116, NRS §598, and the common laws of the State of Nevada.

#### **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

- 60. Claimants brings this action on behalf of themselves and a class of persons initially defined as follows:
  - Sub-Class A The "Non-Incurred Collection Charges" all persons and entities who own residential real property, or have owned residential real property in Respondents and who have received or have had maintained against their real property inaccurate collection demands, notices, liens or other communications from Respondents or Agents for the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, i.e., charges that were never incurred by Respondents nor therefore chargeable to, nor due by said persons or entities
  - Sub-Class B The "False Lien Payments"
    all persons or entities who own, or owned residential
    real property located within Respondents and who had
    recorded against them by Respondents or Agents a
    Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and who paid
    money to Respondents or Agents for the drafting and/or
    recordation of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment
    Lien and/or paid money for the release of the Notice of
    Delinquent Assessment Lien
  - Sub-Class C The "Unlawful Lien Amounts" owners and former owners of residential real property located within Respondents who obtained title to their real property through a trustee's sale instituted by the first security interest holder of said real property and who, upon information and belief and as may be discovered during this litigation, have paid or are being demanded to pay amounts of money to Respondents, the obligation of which having been extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender and Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116

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Sub-Class D - The "Excessive CC&R Amounts" owners and former owners of residential real property located within Respondents who obtained title to their real property through a trustee's sale instituted by the first security interest holder of said real property and who, upon information and belief and as may be discovered during this litigation, have paid or are being demanded to pay amounts of money to Respondents, the obligation of which having been extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender and the CC&R's Mortgagee Protection Provisions

Collectively, the "Proposed Class Members" or the "Classes"

- 61. Excluded from the Classes are Respondents; any affiliate, parent, or subsidiary of Respondents; any entity in which Respondents have a controlling interest; any officer, director, or employee of Respondents; any successor or assign of Respondents; anyone employed by counsel for Claimants in this action; any mediator/arbitrator/judge to whom this case is assigned as well as his or her immediate family and staff.
- 62. This action has been brought and may properly be maintained on behalf of the Classes proposed above under the criteria of Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 23.
- 63. Numerosity. Members of the Classes are so numerous that their individual joinder herein is impracticable. Hundreds of members comprising Sub-Class A have received, or have had maintained against their property the Non-Incurred Collection Charges. In addition, hundreds of members comprising Sub-Class B have had recorded against them by Respondents or Agents a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and have paid money to Respondents or Agents for the drafting and/or recordation of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and/or paid money for the release of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien. Further, hundreds of units of real property have been sold through a trustee's sale to hundreds of natural persons or entities comprising Sub-Class C and Sub-Class D wherein Respondents have demanded the Unlawful Lien Amounts or Excessive CC&R Amounts respectively. Members of the Classes may be notified of the pendency of this action by mail, supplemented (if deemed necessary or appropriate by the Court) by published notice.
- 64. Existence and predominance of common questions Common questions of law and fact exist as to all Proposed Sub-Class A, Sub-Class B, Sub-Class C and Sub-Class D Members,

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respectively, and predominate over questions affecting only individual members of the Classes. Regarding Sub-Class A Members, these common questions include the following:

- Whether the Respondents or Agents had sent or had maintained against the a. Proposed Sub-Class A Members hundreds of collection demands, notices, liens and other communications wherein Respondents or Agents falsely represented that Respondents have incurred (and that the Proposed Sub-Class A Members owed to Respondents) the Non-Incurred Collection Charges;
- b. Whether at the time Respondents or Agents made, sent, maintained or filed these demands, liens, notices and communications, or at anytime thereafter, Respondents had actually incurred the Non-Incurred Collection Charges.
- Whether at the time Respondents or Agents made, sent, maintained or filed c. these demands, liens, notices and communications, or at any time thereafter, the Non-Incurred Collection Charges were chargeable to and owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.
- d. Whether such collection demands, notices, liens and other communications wherein Respondents or Agents represented that Respondents had incurred, and that the Proposed Sub-Class A Members owed the Non-Incurred Collection Charges were false and misrepresented the true fact that no such charges had been incurred by the Respondents or were chargeable to or owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.

Regarding Sub-Class B, these common questions include the following:

- Whether the Respondents or Agents had sent or had recorded against Claimants a. and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien;
- Whether there is any provision at law which recognizes the existence of such b. a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien, or any provision at law which permits the public recording or publishing of a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien;

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or thousands of dollars in excess of any Super Priority Lien amount, if any (i.e.
the Unlawful Lien Amounts);

Whether such demands and representations were inaccurate because the e. Proposed Sub-Class C Members did not owe the Unlawful Lien Amounts due to said amounts being extinguished through foreclosure auction;

Regarding Sub-Class D, these common questions include the following:

- Whether the Proposed Sub-Class D Members obtained their real property as a a. result of a foreclosure auction by the first security interest holder of the real property;
- b. Whether as a result of the foreclosure auction and the CC&R's Mortgagee Protection Provisions, amounts claimed by the Respondents or Agents due to pre-foreclosure delinquencies of the former owners of the real property became extinguished, but for any amounts permitted by the CC&R's Mortgagee **Protection Provisions:**
- c. Whether, instead of informing the Proposed Sub-Class D Members that the claimed lien against the real property had been extinguished due to the foreclosure auction and that nothing was owed by the Proposed Sub-Class D Members but for amounts, if any, permitted by the CC&R's Mortgagee Protection Provisions, the Respondents or Agents issued inaccurate demands to the Proposed Sub-Class D Members for hundreds or thousands of dollars in excess of any amounts permitted by the CC&R's (i.e., the Excessive CC&R Amounts);
- d. Whether such demands and representations were inaccurate because the Proposed Sub-Class D Members did not owe the Excessive CC&R Amounts due to the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's;
- 65. <u>Typicality</u>. Claimants's claims are typical of the claims of the Proposed Sub-Class A Members because, among other things, Claimants own or has owned residential real property in

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Respondents and have received or have had recorded against their real property inaccurate collection demands, liens, notices or other communications from Respondents for the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, i.e., charges that were never incurred by Respondents and for which Respondents were not liable. Claimants' claims are typical of the claims of the Proposed Sub-Class B Members because, among other things Claimants had recorded against them by Respondents or Agents a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and paid money to Respondents or Agents for the drafting and/or recordation of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien and/or paid money for the release of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien. Claimants' claims are typical of the claims of the Proposed Sub-Class C Members because, among other things, Claimants obtained title to their real property through a trustee's sale instituted by the first security interest holder of said real property and have paid or are being demanded to pay amounts of money to Respondents, the obligation of which having been extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender pursuant Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116. Claimants' claims are typical of the claims of the Proposed Sub-Class D Members because, among other things, Claimants obtained title to their real property through a trustee's sale instituted by the first security interest holder of said real property and have paid or are being demanded to pay amounts of money to Respondents, the obligation of which having been extinguished by the trustee's sale of the first mortgage lender and the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's.

- 66. Adequacy. Claimants are adequate representatives of the members of the Classes because their interests do not conflict with the interests of the members of the Classes they seek to represent and Claimants intend to prosecute this action vigorously. The interests of members of the Classes will be fairly and adequately protected by Claimants, and their counsel.
- 67. Superiority. The class action is superior to other available means for the fair and efficient adjudication of this dispute. The injury suffered by each member of the Classes, while meaningful on an individual basis, is not of such magnitude as to make the prosecution of individual actions against Respondents economically feasible. Even if the members of the Classes, themselves, could afford such individualized litigation, the court system could not. In addition to the burden and

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expense of managing myriad actions arising from the harm herein alleged, individualized litigation presents a potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments, individualized litigation increases the delay and expense to all parties and the court system presented by the legal and factual issues of the case. By contrast, the class action device presents far fewer management difficulties and provides the benefits of single adjudication, economy of scale, and comprehensive supervision by a single court.

- 68. In the alternative, the Classes may be certified because:
  - the prosecution of separate actions by the individual members of the Classes a. would create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudication with respect to individual members of the Classes which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for Respondents;
  - the prosecution of separate actions by individual members of the Classes would b. create a risk of adjudications with respect to them which would, as a practical matter, be dispositive of the interests of other members of the Classes not parties to the adjudications, or substantially impair or impede their ability to protect their interests; and
  - Respondents have acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the c. Classes, thereby making appropriate final and injunctive relief with respect to the members of the Classes as a whole.

## **SUB-CLASS A - FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

## **Declaratory Relief**

- 69. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 68 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 70. Nevada has adopted the Uniform Declaratory Judgments Act (the "Act").
- 71. The Act permits persons interested under a deed, written contract or other writings constituting a contract, or whose rights, status or other legal relations are affected by a statute, municipal ordinance, contract or franchise, may have determined any question of construction or

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validity arising under the instrument, statute, ordinance, contract or franchise and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder.

- Claimants', the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' and Respondents' rights, status and 72. legal relations are affected by Respondents' CC&R's, Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3102(k), Nevada Revised Statutes §116.310313(1), and Nevada Revised Statutes §116.310313(3)(a).
- 73. Therefore, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members seek a declaration of rights from this Mediator/Arbitrator/Court which declares that:
  - Pursuant to provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's, Respondents may assess a. and collect from Claimants and Proposed Sub-Class A Members charges and other costs actually incurred by Respondents related to the collection of any past due assessments;
  - b. Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3102(k) permits only Respondents to impose charges for late payment of assessments against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members;
  - Further, Nevada Revised Statutes §116.310313(1) permits only Respondents c. to charge Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members reasonable fees to cover the costs of collecting any past due obligation;
  - d. Nevada Revised Statutes §116.310313(3)(a) defines "costs of collecting" as any fee, charge or cost, by whatever name, including, without limitation, any collection fee, filing fee, recording fee, fee related to the preparation, recording or delivery of a lien or lien rescission, title search lien fee, bankruptcy search fee, referral fee, fee for postage or delivery and any other fee or cost that an association charges a unit's owner for the enforcement or collection of a past due obligation;
  - There is no provision at law which permits Respondents to authorize the Debt e. Collector to unilaterally assess and charge to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-

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Class A Members any and all fees and	costs not incurred by Respondents tha
the Debt Collector wishes to charge in	the collection of past due obligations:

- f. Pursuant to the Collection Agreement, the past practices of Respondents and the Debt Collector, the CC&R's and the aforementioned Nevada Revised Statutes, at no time did Respondents ever actually incur the Non-Incurred Collection Charges;
- Therefore, at no time were the Non-Incurred Collection Charges chargeable or g. owed to Respondents by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members;
- h. Respondents' or Agents' acts of demanding and collecting the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, and other acts as described herein, constitute a breach of the CC&R's by Respondents and a violation of NRS 116;
- i. Respondents' or Agents' acts of filing and maintaining liens and other recorded notices for the Non-Incurred Collection Charges on the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members constitute a breach of the CC&R's by Respondents and a violation of NRS 116;
- As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the j. Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages and are entitled to recompense thereby and are entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
- 74. Claimants', the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' and Respondents' rights, status and legal relations are affected by Nevada Revised Statutes \$98.0915 through 598.0925 (Deceptive Trade Practices Act).
- 74. Therefore, Claimants, and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members described herein seek a declaration of rights from this Mediate/Arbitrator/Court which declares that:
  - a. Pursuant to NRS 41.600, "consumer fraud" means, a deceptive trade practice as defined in NRS 598.0915 to 598.0925;
  - The following Nevada Revised Statutes fall within the definition of "deceptive b. trade practice," constitute "consumer fraud," and apply to Respondents:

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NRS 598.0915(15) "Deceptive trade practice" defined. A person engages in a "deceptive trade practice" if, in the course of his or her business or occupation, he or she knowingly makes any false representation in a transaction. By knowingly engaging in the conduct as more particularly described in the Section titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class A Members," Respondents violated NRS 598.0915(15);

- NRS 598.092(8) "Deceptive trade practice" defined. A person engages in a "deceptive trade practice" when in the course of his or her business or occupation he or she knowingly misrepresents the legal rights, obligations or remedies of a party to a transaction. By knowingly engaging in the conduct as more particularly described in in the Section titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class A Members," Respondents violated NRS 598.092(8);
- NRS 598.0923(2), (3) and (4) "Deceptive trade practice" defined. A person engages in a "deceptive trade practice" when in the course of his or her business or occupation he or she knowingly fails to disclose a material fact in connection with the sale or lease of goods or services, violates a state or federal statute or regulation relating to the sale or lease of goods or services, and uses coercion, duress or intimidation in a transaction. By knowingly engaging in the conduct as more particularly described in in the Section titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class A Members," Respondents violated NRS 598.0923(2), (3) and (4);
- If Respondents or Agents violated NRS §598.0915 through 598.0925 as c. described supra, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have

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- standing to maintain an action for consumer fraud against Respondents pursuant to NRS 41.600;
- d. By violating NRS 598 and by the actions of Respondents and Agents as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been victims of consumer fraud giving rise, therefore, to all remedies at law and
- Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled to all attorney's

# SUB-CLASS A - SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

- The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 74 above are hereby re-alleged and
- Respondents, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are bound by all
- Pursuant to provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's, Respondents may assess and collect from Claimants and Proposed Sub-Class A Members charges and other costs and fees actually *incurred* by Respondents related to the collection of any past due assessments.
  - However, at no time did Respondents ever *incur* the Non-Incurred Collection Charges.
- Therefore, at no time were the Non-Incurred Collection Charges chargeable to or owed
- Respondents' or Agents' acts of demanding and collecting the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, and other acts as described herein, constitutes a breach of the CC&R's by Respondents.
- Respondents' or Agents' acts of filing and maintaining liens and other recorded notices for the Non-Incurred Collection Charges on the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class
- As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed

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83. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS A - THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Breach of Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing**

- 84. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 83 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 85. A covenant of good faith and fair dealing is implied in the CC&R's.
- 86. Respondents, through their actions and omissions as above described, frustrated Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' reasonable and justified expectations with respect to their real property and the CC&R's.
- 87. Respondents breached the covenant of good faith and fair dealing contained in the CC&R's by performing in a manner that was unfaithful to the purpose of the CC&R's as above described.
- 88. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 89. As a result of Respondents' or Agents actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

#### SUB-CLASS A - FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Violation of NRS 598 - Deceptive Trade Practices Act**

The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 89 above are hereby re-alleged and 90. incorporated herein by this reference.

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- 91. By all their acts as above described, including but not limited to those averments contained in the section of this Complaint titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class A Members," including but not limited to:
  - Maintaining, demanding, filing and sending to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hundreds of wrongful collection demands, notices, liens and other communications wherein Respondents or Agents falsely represented that Respondents have incurred (and that Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members owed to Respondents) collection fees, filing fees, recording fees, fees related to the preparation, recording or delivery of a lien or lien rescissions, title search fees, bankruptcy search fees, referral fees, fees for postage or delivery, and other fees or costs for the investigation, enforcement or collection of past due assessments or other obligations;
  - Maintaining, demanding, filing and sending these false demands, liens, notices and communications while never having actually incurred nor been liable for these Non-Incurred Collection Charges;
  - Maintaining, demanding, filing and sending these false demands, liens, notices and communications when Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members never actually owed the Non-Incurred Collection Charges to Respondents;
  - Asserting and maintaining liens on the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members based on the Non-Incurred Collection Charges;
  - Receiving the monies of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members based on such false demands, notices, liens and communications,
- Respondents have violated NRS 598, the Nevada Deceptive Trade Practices Act, including but not limited to §598.0915, §598.092 and §598.0923.
- 92. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.0915(15) by knowingly making false representations in a transaction.

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- 93. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.092(8) by misrepresenting the legal rights, obligations or remedies of a party to a transaction.
- 94. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents violated NRS 598.0923(2) through (4) by failing to disclose a material fact in connection with the sale or lease of goods or services, violating a state or federal statute or regulation relating to the sale or lease of goods or services, and using coercion, duress or intimidation in a transaction.
- 95. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 96. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class A have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS A - FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

#### Violation of NRS 116

- 97. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 96 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 98. Together with Respondents' unlawful and improper receipt and retention of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' monies, Respondents' unlawful collection demands and activities constitute a breach of Nevada Revised Statutes §116.
- 99. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes §116.4117, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have a civil action for damages against Respondents which includes punitive damages for Respondents' willful and material failure to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116 and the CC&R's.
- 100. As described above, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, willfully and materially failed to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116, including but not limited to NRS §116.3102(k), NRS §116.310313(1), NRS §116.310313(3), and NRS §116.3116.

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101. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.

102. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS A - SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Negligence (Per Se)**

- 103. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 102 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members, as owners of real property in the 104. Associations, and as alleged debtors and recipients of Non-Incurred Collection Charges belong to a class of persons that Nevada Revised Statutes §598, §116 and §649 were intended to protect.
- 105. By their actions as above described, or the acts of the Agents, Respondents have violated Nevada Revised Statutes, including but not limited to NRS §116.3102(k), NRS §116.310313(1), NRS §116.310313(3), NRS §116.3116, NRS §598.0915, NRS §598.092, NRS §598.0923 and NRS §649.375.
- Each such violation by Respondents or Agents caused Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members to pay more money to the Respondents than required by the Nevada Revised Statutes, said overpayment comprising Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' injuries.
- 107. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as above described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 108. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-

Class A Members are entitled.

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# **SUB-CLASS A - SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Negligent Misrepresentation**

- 109. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 108 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 110. Respondents or Agents claimed a pecuniary interest in the Non-Incurred Collection Charges upon which demands against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members were maintained through statutory liens, collection demands, and various publicly recorded documents.
- 111. Respondents or Agents demanded, claimed and collected monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members pursuant to the Non-Incurred Collection Charges in the course of Respondents' business as Nevada homeowners' associations by representing that Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members owed the Non-Incurred Collection Charges to Respondents and that Respondents or Agents had the legal or contractual right to collect, claim, demand and receive the Non-Incurred Collection Charges.
- 112. Respondents' or Agents' representations and demands of Non-Incurred Collection Charges were wholly inaccurate statements of the true amounts, if any, owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.
- Through Respondents' multiple, repeated and improper demands upon Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members to satisfy the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, and through Respondents' or Agents receipt and retention of the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, Respondents supplied false information to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.
- 114. Respondents failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in the obtaining and communicating said information.
- 115. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members, under threat of cloud on title to their property, justifiably relied upon Respondents' representations regarding the Non-Incurred Collection Charges and paid to Respondents monies as a result of said representations.

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- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the 116. Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages well in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and 117. Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS A - EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Conversion

- The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 117 above are hereby re-alleged and 118. incorporated herein by this reference.
- 119. As above described, Respondents or Agents unlawfully took possession and control over the monies of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members and committed distinct acts of dominion wrongfully exerted over such monies, said acts being in denial of or inconsistent with Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' right and title therein, or in derogation, exclusion or defiance of such rights and title therein.
- 120. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as above described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 121. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

#### **SUB-CLASS A - NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

## **Breach of Fiduciary Duty**

122. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 121 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.

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123. In their capacity as statutory homeowners' associations with all the rights, duties and obligations imposed upon it by law and contract, Respondents owed a fiduciary duty to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members, as owners of units located within the common interest community of the Associations, and as members of said Associations. Thus, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members had the right to expect trust and confidence in the integrity and fidelity of Respondents, such that Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members a fiduciary duty.

- 123. Respondents' or Agents' actions as described above, including but not limited to their multiple, repeated, inaccurate and improper demanding of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members to satisfy the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, Respondents' or Agents' receipt and retention of the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, Respondents' or Agents' clouding of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' title to their real property via inaccurate liens, the hiring and retention of collection agencies which regularly violated NRS 116, NRS 649, and NRS 598 in the collection of the Non-Incurred Collection Charges, and Respondents' violations of NRS 116 and NRS 598 and the CC&R's as above described constitute of breach of the fiduciary duty which Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.
- 124. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

#### **SUB-CLASS A - TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

#### Unjust Enrichment

126. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 125 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.

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- 127. Based upon the conduct of Respondents and Agents as above described, the Respondents have received undeserved monetary benefits from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members through imposition of the Non-Incurred Collection Charges and the wrongful collection and retention, by themselves or through Agents, of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' monies.
- 128. By their demanding and receiving, by themselves or through Agents, of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' monies which were not owed to Respondents, the Respondents have been, therefore, unjustly enriched at the expense of the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members giving rise to a legal and equitable duty to repay the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members for all sums.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have suffered special damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are entitled.

#### SUB-CLASS A - ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Accounting

- The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 130 above are hereby re-alleged and 131. incorporated herein by this reference.
- 132. Respondents and Agents have acted wrongfully in a manner designed to improperly take Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' monies to which Respondents have no legal entitlement.
- 133. By imposing, claiming and transmitting the Non-Incurred Collection Charges and documents related thereto, Respondents and Agents have improperly received substantial monies at Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members' expense.

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134. Respondents have been unjustly enriched from their wrongful conduct, and should therefore account to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members for the monies improperly taken from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.

#### SUB-CLASS A - TWELFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Injunctive Relief**

- 135. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 134 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 136. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members seek injunctive relief against Respondents to enjoin them from filing, claiming, or asserting any demands for Non-Incurred Collection Charges or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from filing, claiming, or asserting liens, encumbrances or other notices against the residential units of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members for Non-Incurred Collection Charges or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from instituting or assisting in the instituting of any process in furtherance of the foreclosure of liens based in whole or in part on the Non-Incurred Collection Charges against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members, or from unlawfully or improperly interfering with or obstructing the business, if any, of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members.

## PROPOSED SUB-CLASS B - FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Declaratory Relief**

- 137. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 136 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 138. Nevada has adopted the Uniform Declaratory Judgments Act (the "Act").
- 139. The Act permits persons interested under a deed, written contract or other writings constituting a contract, or whose rights, status or other legal relations are affected by a statute, municipal ordinance, contract or franchise, may have determined any question of construction or validity arising under the instrument, statute, ordinance, contract or franchise and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder.

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# SUB-CLASS B - SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Breach of Contract**

- 142. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 141 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- Respondents, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class A Members are bound by all 143. provisions of Respondents' CC&R's.
- 144. Pursuant to provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's, Respondents may assess and collect from Claimants and Proposed Sub-Class A Members charges and other costs and fees incurred by Respondents related to the collection of any past due assessments.
- 145. However, at no time was Respondents ever permitted by the CC&R's to charge to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members costs related to the filing of or the release of a "Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien" as pursuant to NRS 116.3116(4), "Recording of the declaration constitutes record notice and perfection of the lien. No further recordation of any claim of lien for assessment under this section is required".
- 146. What Respondents and Agents represented as a "lien" (the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien) was, in fact, not a lien, but merely a notice pursuant to NRS 116.31162 and there is no provision in the CC&R's which permits the recording any such notice.
- 147. In violation of the CC&R's, Respondents and the Agent improperly charged Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members several hundred dollars for the drafting, recording and release of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien, even though said document does not exist as a matter of law and there is no provision in law and under the CC&R's which authorizes the filing of such document.
- At no time were the False Lien Payments chargeable to or owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members.
- 149. Respondents' or Agents' acts of demanding and collecting the False Lien Payments, and other acts as described herein, constitute a breach of the CC&R's by Respondents.

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- 150. Respondents' or Agents' acts of filing and maintaining liens and other recorded notices for the False Lien Payments on the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members constitutes a breach of the CC&R's by Respondents.
- As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed 151. Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 152. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS B - THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

# Breach of Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing

- 153. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 152 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 154. A covenant of good faith and fair dealing is implied in the CC&R's.
- 155. Respondents, through their actions and omissions as above described, frustrated Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' reasonable and justified expectations with respect to their real property and the CC&R's.
- 156. Respondents breached the covenant of good faith and fair dealing contained in the CC&R's by performing in a manner that was unfaithful to the purpose of the CC&R's as above described.
- 157. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 158. As a result of Respondents' or Agents actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Wells Fargo and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the

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Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS B - FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Violation of NRS 598 - Deceptive Trade Practices Act**

- 159. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 158 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 160. By all their acts as above described, including but not limited to those averments contained in the section of this Complaint titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class B Members," including but not limited to:
  - Recording against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members a a. fugitive document called a Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien in order to trick Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members into paying fees and costs that were not permitted by law or contract;
  - b. Misrepresenting to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members the fact that the "Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien" was a legal lien when it was merely a notice, misrepresenting the fact that the Nevada Revised Statutes authorized the recording of such a document when they do not, misrepresenting the fact that Respondents or Agents were entitled to record such a document when they were not, and misrepresenting that the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien could be "released" when the document was not a lien that needed or could be "released";
  - Improperly charging Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members c. several hundred dollars for the drafting and recording of the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien, even though said document does not exist as a matter of law and there is no provision in law which authorizes the filing of such document:
  - d. Improperly charging Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members money to "release" the "Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien"

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e.	Stating an amount due in the Notice of Delinquent Assessment Lien that was
	false as it included amounts which were not properly imposed by Respondents
	not actually incurred by the Respondents, not permitted by the CC&RS, and
	not authorized by law,

Respondents have violated NRS 598, the Nevada Deceptive Trade Practices Act, including but not limited to §598.0915, §598.092 and §598.0923.

- 161. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.0915(15) by knowingly making false representations in a transaction.
- 162. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.092(8) by misrepresenting the legal rights, obligations or remedies of a party to a transaction.
- As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents violated NRS 598.0923(2) through (4) by failing to disclose a material fact in connection with the sale or lease of goods or services, violating a state or federal statute or regulation relating to the sale or lease of goods or services, and using coercion, duress or intimidation in a transaction.
- 164. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 165. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class B have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS B - FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Violation of NRS 116

- 166. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 165 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 167. Together with Respondents' unlawful and improper receipt and retention of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' monies for the False Lien Payments, Respondents, by

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themselves or through Agents, willfully and materially failed to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116, including but not limited to NRS §116.3102(k), NRS §116.310313(1), NRS §116.310313(3), NRS  $\S116.3116$  and the CC&R's.

- 168. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes §116.4117, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have a civil action for damages against Respondents which includes punitive damages for Respondents' willful and material failure to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116 and the CC&R's.
- 169. As more particularly described above, including the section of this Complaint titled, 'Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class B Members," Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, willfully and materially failed to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116.
- 170. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS B - SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# Negligence (Per Se)

- 172. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 171 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 173. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members, as owners of real property located within Respondents, and as alleged debtors and payors of False Lien Payments belong to a class of persons that Nevada Revised Statutes §598, §116 and §649 were intended to protect.
- 174. By their actions as above described, or the acts of their authorized Agents, including the demand and retention and maintaining of liens against the subject residential units for the False Lien Payments, Respondents have violated Nevada Revised Statutes, including but not limited to NRS

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§116.3102(k), NRS §116.310313(1), NRS §116.310313(3), NRS §116.3116, NRS §598.0915, NRS §598.092, NRS §598.0923 and NRS §649.375.

- 175. Each such violation by Respondents caused Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members to pay more money to the Respondents than required by the Nevada Revised Statutes, said overpayment comprising Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' injuries.
- 176. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as above described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 177. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS B - SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Negligent Misrepresentation**

- 178. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 177 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 179. Respondents or Agents claimed a pecuniary interest in the False Lien Payments upon which demands against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members were maintained through statutory liens, collection demands, and various publicly recorded documents.
- 180. Respondents or Agents demanded, claimed and collected monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members pursuant to the False Lien Payments in the course of Respondents' business as a Nevada homeowners' association by representing that Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members owed the False Lien Payments to Respondents and that Respondents or Agents had the legal or contractual right to collect, claim, demand and receive the False Lien Payments.

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- Respondents' or Agents' representations and demands of the False Lien Payments were 181. wholly inaccurate statements of the true amounts, if any, owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members.
- 182. Through Respondents' multiple, repeated and improper demands upon Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members to satisfy the demands for the False Lien Payments, and through Respondents' or Agents receipt and retention of the False Lien Payments, Respondents supplied false information to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members.
- Respondents failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in the obtaining and 183. communicating said information.
- 184. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members, under threat of cloud on title to their property, justifiably relied upon Respondents' representations regarding the False Lien Payments and paid to Respondents monies as a result of said representations.
- 185. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages well in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and 186. Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

#### SUB-CLASS B - EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### Conversion

- 187. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 186 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 188. As above described, Respondents or Agents unlawfully took possession and control over the monies of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members and committed distinct acts of dominion wrongfully exerted over such monies, said acts being in denial of or inconsistent with

Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' right and title therein, or in derogation, exclusion or defiance of such rights and title therein.

189. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as above described, Claimants and the

- Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 190. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS B - NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Breach of Fiduciary Duty**

- 191. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 190 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- obligations imposed upon it by law and contract, Respondents owed a fiduciary duty to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members, as owners of units located within the common interest community of the Respondents, and as members of the Respondents. Thus, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members had the right to expect trust and confidence in the integrity and fidelity of Respondents, such that Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members a fiduciary duty.
- 193. Respondents' or Agents' actions as described above, including but not limited to their multiple, repeated, inaccurate and improper demanding of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members to satisfy demands for the False Lien Payments, Respondents' or Agents' receipt and retention of the False Lien Payments, Respondents' or Agents' clouding of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' title to their real property via inaccurate liens relating to the False Lien Payments, the hiring and retention of collection agencies which regularly violated NRS 116, NRS 649, and NRS 598 in the collection of the False Lien Payments and Respondents' violations of NRS

116 and the CC&R's as above described constitute of breach of the fiduciary duty which Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members.

- 194. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 195. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS B - TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# Unjust Enrichment

- 196. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 195 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 197. Based upon the conduct of Respondents and Agents as above described, the Respondents have received undeserved monetary benefits from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members through imposition of the False Lien Payments and the wrongful collection and retention, by themselves or through Agents, of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' monies.
- 198. By their demanding and receiving, by themselves or through Agents, of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' monies which were not owed to Respondents, the Respondents have been, therefore, unjustly enriched at the expense of the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members giving rise to a legal and equitable duty to repay the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members for all sums.
- 199. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have suffered special damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 200. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants

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and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members are entitled.

## SUB-CLASS B - ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# Accounting

- 201. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 200 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- Respondents and Agents have acted wrongfully in a manner designed to improperly 202. take Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' monies to which Respondents have no legal entitlement.
- 203. By imposing, claiming and receiving the False Lien Payments, Respondents and Agents have improperly received substantial monies at Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members' expense.
- Respondents have been unjustly enriched from their wrongful conduct, and should therefore account to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members for the monies improperly taken from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members.

#### **SUB-CLASS B - TWELFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Injunctive Relief**

- The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 204 above are hereby re-alleged and 205. incorporated herein by this reference.
- 206. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members seek injunctive relief against Respondents to enjoin them from filing, claiming, or asserting any demands for the False Lien Payments or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from filing, claiming, or asserting liens, encumbrances or other notices against the subject real properties for the False Lien Payments or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from instituting or assisting in the instituting of any process in furtherance of the foreclosure of liens based in whole or in part on the False Lien Payments against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members, or from

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unlawfully or improperly interfering with or obstructing the business, if any, of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class B Members.

#### SUB-CLASS C - FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Declaratory Relief**

- 207. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 206 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 208. Nevada has adopted the Uniform Declaratory Judgments Act (the "Act").
- 209. The Act permits persons whose rights, status or other legal relations affected by a statute or municipal ordinance to have determined by a court of competent jurisdiction any question of construction or validity arising under the statute or ordinance and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder.
- 210. Claimants', the Proposed Sub-Class C Members', and Respondents' rights, status and legal relations are affected by Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116.
- 211. Therefore, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members described herein seek a declaration of rights from this Arbitrator/Mediator/Court which declares that:
  - a. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116, Respondents have a lien for any assessment or fine levied against Delinquent Homeowners' units within the Respondents associations from the time the Delinquent Homeowners' assessment or fine became due; and
  - b. Respondents' lien was <u>junior</u> to the first security interest of the Delinquent Homeowners' units' first mortgage lender except for a certain, limited and specified portion of the lien as defined in Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116 which remained senior to the first security interest of the Delinquent Homeowners' units' first mortgage lender, provided that Respondents have instituted an "action" to enforce their lien (the "Super Priority Lien"); and
  - On and after October 1, 2009, the statutory formula for calculating the Super c. Priority Lien was as follows: the lien is prior to the first security interest on the

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unit only to the extent of any charges incurred by the Associations on the unit pursuant to NRS 116.310312 and only to the extent of the assessments for common expenses which are based on the periodic budget adopted by the Associations pursuant to NRS 116.3115 which would have become due in the absence of acceleration during the 9 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the lien unless federal regulations adopted by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association require a shorter period of priority for the lien; and

- d. Before October 1, 2009, the 9 month time frame cited above, was limited to only 6 months; and
- Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116, if no "action" as defined by e. Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure 2 and 3 to be a "civil action," was instituted by Respondents to enforce said liens, no Super Priority Lien existed against Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members, yet Respondents represented that such Super Priority Lien was legally due, and demanded and received from Claimants Super Priority Lien amounts which must be returned to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members forthwith; and
  - Respondents, in contravention of Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116, have demanded and received monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members in order to satisfy Respondents' claimed liens or demands, said monies exceeding the Super Priority Lien, if any, of 6 times the monthly assessment amount which was adopted by the Associations' budget immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce said liens (9 times said monthly assessment amount after October 1, 2009) unless federal regulations adopted by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association require a shorter period of priority for the lien and, therefore, said monies have been improperly demanded and

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collected by Respondents and must be returned to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members forthwith, and

Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members are entitled to all attorney's g. fees as special damages.

# SUB-CLASS C - SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Breach of NRS 116.3116**

- 212. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 211 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- Respondents' actions as described above, including the improper demanding of 213. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members to satisfy the Unlawful Lien Amounts, and Respondents' receipt of the Unlawful Lien Amounts constitute a breach of Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116.
- Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes §116.4117, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class 214. C Members have a civil action for damages against Respondents which includes punitive damages for Respondents' willful and material failure to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116 and the CC&R's.
- 215. As more particularly described above, including the section of this Complaint titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class C Members," Respondents or Agents acting within the course and scope of the agency, willfully and materially failed to comply with Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116 and the CC&R's.
- As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed 216. Sub-Class C Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed 217. Sub-Class C Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members are entitled.

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## **SUB-CLASS C - THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Negligence (Per Se)**

- 218. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 217 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 219. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members, owning and having owned real property, each parcel of which is located within the jurisdiction of Respondents, belong to a class of persons that Nevada Revised Statutes §598, §116 and §649 were intended to protect.
- 220. By their actions as above described, including but not limited to improperly demanding the Unlawful Lien Amounts and improperly receiving and retaining monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members pursuant to said Unlawful Lien Amounts, Respondents or Agents have violated Nevada Revised Statutes §598, §116 and §649, including NRS §116.3116, NRS §598.0915, NRS §598.092, NRS §598.0923 and NRS §649.375.
- Each such violation by Respondents caused Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members to pay more money to the Respondents than required by the Nevada Revised Statutes, said overpayment comprising Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' injuries.
- 222. The Super Priority Lien, and the circumstances under which it could exist against these Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members, is outlined in Nevada Revised Statutes §116.3116. Said statute, and others contained in §598, §116 and §649 are intended to protect Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members from the very Unlawful Lien Amounts, and the collection thereof, which has caused the injuries incurred by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members.
- 223. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions of violating Nevada Revised Statutes §598, §116 and §649 and the improper demanding of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members to satisfy the Unlawful Lien Amounts as above described, and Respondents' or Agents' receipt and retention of the Unlawful Lien Amounts, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 224. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this

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# **SUB-CLASS C - FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Negligent Misrepresentation**

- 225. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 224 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 226. Respondents claimed a pecuniary interest in the Unlawful Lien Amounts and in Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' real property through statutory liens, demands, and various publicly recorded documents.
- 227. Respondents demanded, claimed and collected monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members pursuant to the Unlawful Lien Amounts in the course of Respondents' business as homeowners' associations and misrepresented to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members that Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members owed Respondents the Unlawful Lien Amounts and/or misrepresented to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members that Respondents have the legal right to claim and receive the Unlawful Lien Amounts.
- 228. The representations and demands for Unlawful Lien Amounts were wholly inaccurate statements of the true amounts, if any, owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members to Respondents.
- 229. Respondents' multiple, repeated and improper demands upon Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members to satisfy the Unlawful Lien Amounts and Respondents' receipt and retention of the Unlawful Lien Amounts constitute false information supplied to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members.
- Respondents or Agents failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in obtaining and communicating said information.

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- 231. Claimants and Proposed Sub-Class C Members justifiably relied upon Respondents' representations regarding the Unlawful Lien Amounts and paid to Respondents and Agents monies as a result of said representations.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants has suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS C - FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Breach of Fiduciary Duty**

- 234. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 233 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 235. In their capacity as statutory homeowners' associations with all the rights, duties and obligations imposed upon them by law, Respondents owed a fiduciary duty to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members, as owners of units located within the common interest community of the Associations, and as members of said Associations. Thus, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members had the right to expect trust and confidence in the integrity and fidelity of Respondents, such that Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members a fiduciary duty of care and loyalty.
- 236 Respondents' actions as described above, including but not limited to their or Agents' multiple, repeated, inaccurate and improper demanding of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members to satisfy the Unlawful Lien Amounts, Respondents' receipt and retention of the Unlawful Lien Amounts, Respondents' clouding of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' title to their real property via the Unlawful Lien Amounts, and the hiring and retention of collection agencies and others which regularly violated NRS 116, NRS 649, and NRS 598 in the collection of

the Unlawful Lien Amounts constitute of breach of the fiduciary duty which Respondents owed to
Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members.

237. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed
Sub-Class C Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.

238. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants is entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS C - SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Unjust Enrichment**

- 239. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 238 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 240. Respondents have received undeserved monetary benefits from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members through imposition of the Unlawful Lien Amounts and the wrongful collection and retention of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' monies.
- 241. By demanding and receiving from Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' monies which were not owed, Respondents have been, therefore, unjustly enriched at the expense of the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members giving rise to a legal and equitable duty to repay the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members for all sums.
- 242. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have suffered special damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 243. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members are entitled.

# **SUB-CLASS C - SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# Accounting

- 244. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 243 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 245. Respondents have acted wrongfully in a manner designed to improperly take Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' monies to which Respondents have no legal entitlement.
- 246. By imposing, claiming and transmitting the Unlawful Lien Amounts and documents related thereto, Respondents have improperly received substantial monies at Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' expense.
- 247. Respondents have been unjustly enriched from their wrongful conduct, and should therefore account to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members for the monies improperly taken from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members.

# **SUB-CLASS C - EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Injunctive Relief**

- 248. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 247 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 249. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members seek injunctive relief against Respondents to enjoin them from filing, claiming, or asserting any demands for Unlawful Lien Amounts or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from filing, claiming, or asserting liens, encumbrances or other notices against the subject real property for Unlawful Lien Amounts or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from instituting or assisting in the instituting of any process in furtherance of the foreclosure of homeowners' association liens against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members which are based, in whole or in part, upon the Unlawful Lien Amounts, or from unlawfully or improperly interfering with or obstructing the business of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members.

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# **SUB-CLASS C - NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# **Violation of NRS 598 - Deceptive Trade Practices Act**

- 250. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 249 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 251. By all their acts as above described, including but not limited to those averments contained in the section of this Complaint titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class C Members" Respondents have violated NRS 598, the Nevada Deceptive Trade Practices Act, including but not limited to §598.0915, §598.092 and §598.0923.
- 252. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.0915(15) by knowingly making false representations in a transaction.
- 253. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.092(8) by misrepresenting the legal rights, obligations or remedies of a party to a transaction.
- 254. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents violated NRS 598.0923(2) through (4) by failing to disclose a material fact in connection with the sale or lease of goods or services, violating a state or federal statute or regulation relating to the sale or lease of goods or services, and using coercion, duress or intimidation in a transaction.
- 255. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class C have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 256. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class C have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class C hereby make claim and to which Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class C are entitled.

#### **SUB-CLASS C - TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

#### Conversion

257. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 256 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.

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- 258. As above described, Respondents unlawfully took possession and control over the monies of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members and committed distinct acts of dominion wrongfully exerted over such monies, said acts being in denial of or inconsistent with Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members' right and title therein, or in derogation, exclusion or defiance of such rights and title therein.
- 259. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as above described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 260. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class C Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS D - FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Declaratory Relief**

- 261. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 260 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 262. Nevada has adopted the Uniform Declaratory Judgments Act (the "Act").
- The Act permits persons interested under a deed, written contract or other writings 263. constituting a contract, or whose rights, status or other legal relations are affected by a statute, municipal ordinance, contract or franchise, may have determined any question of construction or validity arising under the instrument, statute, ordinance, contract or franchise and obtain a declaration of rights, status or other legal relations thereunder.
- Claimants', the Proposed Sub-Class D Members and Respondents' rights, status and 264. legal relations are affected by Respondents' CC&R's.
- Therefore, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members described herein seek a declaration of rights from this Arbitrator which declares that:

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- Pursuant to Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's, a. Respondents' assessment lien was junior to the first security interest of the Delinquent Homeowners' units' first mortgage lender except for a certain, limited and specified portion of the lien as defined in the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's, and
- b. Respondents, in contravention of the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's have demanded and received monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members in order to satisfy Respondents' claimed liens or demands, said monies constituting the Excess CC&R Amounts and, therefore, said monies have been improperly demanded and collected by Respondents and must be returned to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members forthwith, and
- c. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members are entitled to all attorney's fees as special damages.

# SUB-CLASS D - SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Breach of Contract**

- 266. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 265 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 267. Respondents, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members were bound by all provisions of Respondents' CC&R's.
- 268. Pursuant to Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's, Respondents' assessment lien was <u>junior</u> to the first security interest of the Delinquent Homeowners' units' first mortgage lender except for a certain, limited and specified portion of the lien as defined in the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's.
- 269. Respondents, in contravention of the Mortgagee Protection Provisions of the Respondents' CC&R's has demanded and received monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members in order to satisfy Respondents' claimed liens or demands, said monies constituting

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the Excess CC&R Amounts and, therefore, said monies have been improperly demanded and collected by Respondents in violation of the terms of Respondents' CC&R's.

- As more particularly described above, including the section of this Complaint titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class D Members," Respondents, or Agents acting within the course and scope of the agency, willfully and materially failed to comply with Respondents' CC&R's.
- 271. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 272. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS D - THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Breach of Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing**

- 273. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 272 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
  - 274. A covenant of good faith and fair dealing is implied in the CC&R's.
- 275. Respondents, through their actions and omissions as above described, frustrated Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' reasonable expectations with respect to their real property and the CC&R's.
- 276. Respondents breached the covenants of good faith and fair dealing contained in the CC&R's by performing in a manner that was unfaithful to the purpose of the CC&R's as above described.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 278. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this

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# SUB-CLASS D - FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Negligent Misrepresentation**

- 279. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 278 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 280. Respondents claimed a pecuniary interest in the Excessive CC&R Amounts and in the Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' real property through claimed liens, demands, and various publicly recorded documents.
- 281. Respondents or Agents demanded, claimed and collected monies from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members in the course of Respondents' business as homeowners' associations and misrepresented to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members that Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members owed Respondents the Excessive CC&R Amounts and/or misrepresented to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members that Respondents have the legal right to claim and receive the Excessive CC&R Amounts.
- 282. Respondents' or Agents' demands and representations relating to the Excessive CC&R Amounts were wholly inaccurate statements of the true amounts, if any, owed by Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members to Respondents.
- 283. Respondents repeated and improper demands upon Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members to satisfy the Excessive CC&R Amounts and Respondents' receipt and retention of the Excessive CC&R Amounts constitute false information supplied to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members.
- Respondents or Agents, by the actions above described, failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in the obtaining and communicating of said information.

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- 285. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members justifiably relied upon Respondents' representations regarding the Excessive CC&R Amounts and paid to Respondents monies as a result of said representations.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the 286. Proposed Sub-Class D Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 287. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members are entitled.

# SUB-CLASS D - FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Breach of Fiduciary Duty**

- 288. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 287 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 289. In their capacity as statutory homeowners' associations with all the rights, duties and obligations imposed upon them by law, Respondents owed a fiduciary duty to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members, as owners of units located within the common interest community of the Associations, and as members of said Associations. Thus, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members had the right to expect trust and confidence in the integrity and fidelity of Respondents, such that Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members a fiduciary duty.
- Respondents' actions as described above, including but not limited to their and the Agents' multiple, repeated, inaccurate and improper demanding of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members to satisfy the Excessive CC&R Amounts, Respondents' receipt and retention of the Excessive CC&R Amounts, Respondents' clouding of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' title to their real property via the Excessive CC&R Amounts, and the hiring and retention of collection agencies which regularly violated NRS 116, NRS 649, and NRS 598 in the collection of

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the Excessive CC&R Amounts constitute a breach of the fiduciary duty which Respondents owed to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members.

- 291. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 292. As a result of Respondents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants is entitled.

# SUB-CLASS D - SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# **Unjust Enrichment**

- 293. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 292 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 294. Based upon the conduct of Respondents as above described, the Respondents have received undeserved monetary benefits from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members through imposition of the Excessive CC&R Amounts and the wrongful collection and retention of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' monies.
- 295. By their demanding and receiving of Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' monies which were not owed to Respondents, the Respondents have been, therefore, unjustly enriched at the expense of the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members giving rise to a legal and equitable duty to repay the Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members for all Excessive CC&R sums.
- 296. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have suffered special damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 297. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants

and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members are entitled.

#### **SUB-CLASS D - SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

#### Accounting

- 298. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 297 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 299. Respondents have acted wrongfully in a manner designed to improperly take Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' monies to which Respondents have no legal entitlement.
- 300. By imposing, claiming and transmitting the Excessive CC&R Amounts and documents related thereto, Respondents have improperly received substantial monies at Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' expense.
- 301. Respondents have been unjustly enriched from their wrongful conduct, and should therefore account to Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members for the monies improperly taken from Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members.

#### SUB-CLASS D - EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

#### **Injunctive Relief**

- 302. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 301 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 303. Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members seek injunctive relief against Respondents to enjoin them from filing, claiming, or asserting any demands for Excessive CC&R Amounts or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from filing, claiming, or asserting liens, encumbrances or other notices against the subject real property for Excessive CC&R Amounts or any unlawful or improper amounts related thereto, or from instituting or assisting in the instituting of any process in furtherance of the foreclosure of homeowners' association liens against the real property of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members which are based, in whole or in part,

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#### SUB-CLASS D - NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# Violation of NRS 598 - Deceptive Trade Practices Act

- 304. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 303 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 305. By all their acts as above described, including but not limited to those averments contained in the section of this Complaint titled, "Allegations Regarding Proposed Sub-Class D Members" Respondents have violated NRS 598, the Nevada Deceptive Trade Practices Act, including but not limited to §598.0915, §598.092 and §598.0923.
- 306. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.0915(15) by knowingly making false representations in a transaction.
- 307. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents, violated NRS 598.092(8) by misrepresenting the legal rights, obligations or remedies of a party to a transaction.
- 308. As described herein, Respondents, by themselves or through Agents violated NRS 598.0923(2) through (4) by failing to disclose a material fact in connection with the sale or lease of goods or services, violating a state or federal statute or regulation relating to the sale or lease of goods or services, and using coercion, duress or intimidation in a transaction.
- 309. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class D have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 310. As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class D have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class D hereby make claim and to which Claimants and members of the proposed Sub-Class D are entitled.

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#### Conversion

- 311. The allegations of paragraphs 1 through 310 above are hereby re-alleged and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 312. As above described, Respondents unlawfully took possession and control over the monies of Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members and committed distinct acts of dominion wrongfully exerted over such monies, said acts being in denial of or inconsistent with Claimants' and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members' right and title therein, or in derogation, exclusion or defiance of such rights and title therein.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as above described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have suffered damages in excess of \$10,000.00.
- As a result of Respondents' or Agents' actions as herein described, Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members have been forced to incur costs and fees in the prosecution of this action and have been required to hire an attorney and incur attorney fees and costs to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members hereby make claim and to which Claimants and the Proposed Sub-Class D Members are entitled.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Claimants and the members of Sub-Classes A, B C and D, expressly reserving their right to amend this pleading at the time of, or prior to trial, pray for judgment against Respondents as follows:

- A. For an order certifying this case is a class action pursuant to Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 23;
- В. For an order appointing Claimants as class representatives and Adams Law Group, Ltd., as class counsel;
- C. For general damages in excess of \$10,000.00;
- D. For declaratory relief and injunctive relief as set forth herein;
- E. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit of litigation thereof as damages and

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- F. For pre and post judgement interest at the statutory rate as may be applicable;
- G. For punitive and trebled damages;
- H. For an accounting of monies improperly taken from Claimants and the members of Sub-Classes A, B C and D, respectively; and
- For any further legal and equitable relief that this Arbitrator may deem just and equitable.

Dated this <u>45</u> day of May, 2011.

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