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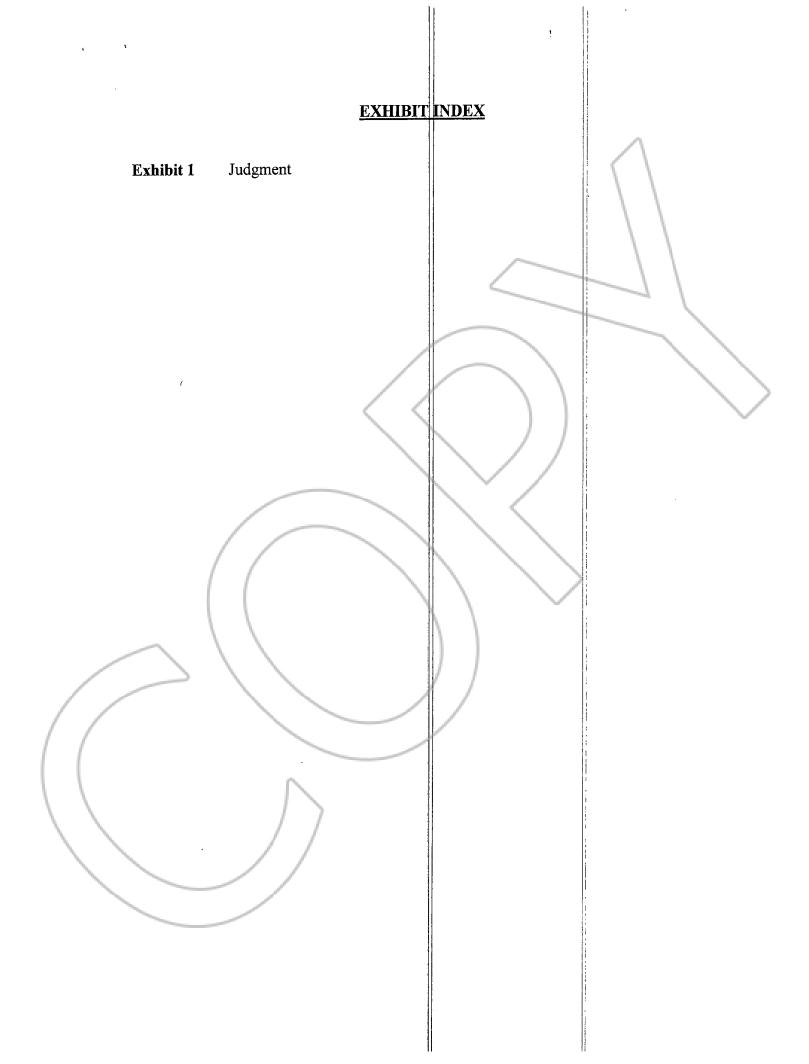
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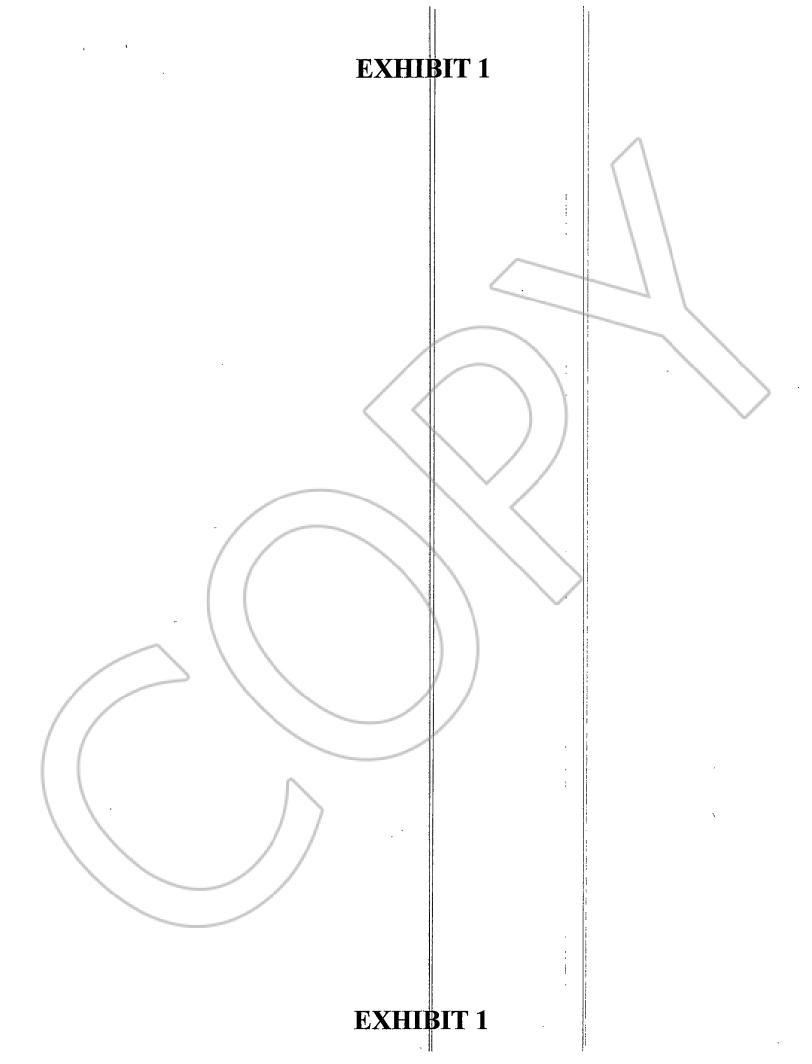
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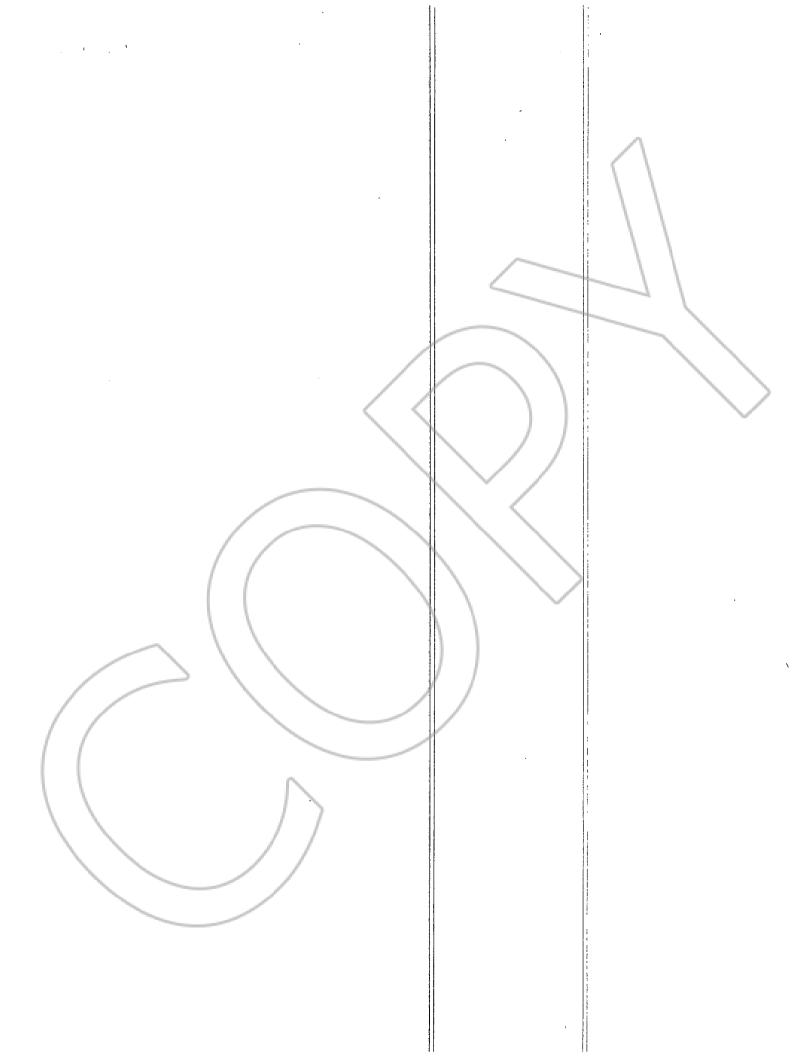
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## IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR CARSON CITY

CARSON PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION,

CASE NO.: DEPT.: 13 TRT 00015 1B

v.

Plaintiff,

JUDGMENT

JOHN M. ("MIKE") MULLINS, individually and dba EVERGREEN MAINTENANCE; TERESA MULLIN; and DOES I-X,

Defendants.

This case was referred to the Court Annexed Arbitration Program on May 10, 2013. Mike Pavlakis, Esq., was appointed as the arbitrator on June 5, 2013. The arbitration took place on February 27, 2014. The arbitrator entered the Award in Arbitration on March 3, 2014, and the Decision on Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney's Fees on March 18, 2014. The deadline to request trial de novo has expired. Based on the foregoing, and for good cause appearing, the Award in Arbitration attached hereto as Exhibit "1" is hereby adopted and incorporated in its entirety. Judgment shall be and is hereby entered in the amount of \$50,000 in favor of the Plaintiff, Carson Park Condominium Association, against John M. ("Mike") Mullins, individually and doing business as Evergreen Maintenance, and Teresa Mullins, on its First Cause of Action (Breach of Contract) and Third Cause of Action (Embezzlement and Fraud). All other claims, counterclaims and causes of action shall be and are hereby dismissed with prejudice.

This judgment shall bear interest at the legal rate for judgments according to NRS 99.040, and shall run from the date of the answer, April 16, 2013 until satisfied. Interest as of the date of the Award in Arbitration is \$2,309. This amount shall be included in the judgment.

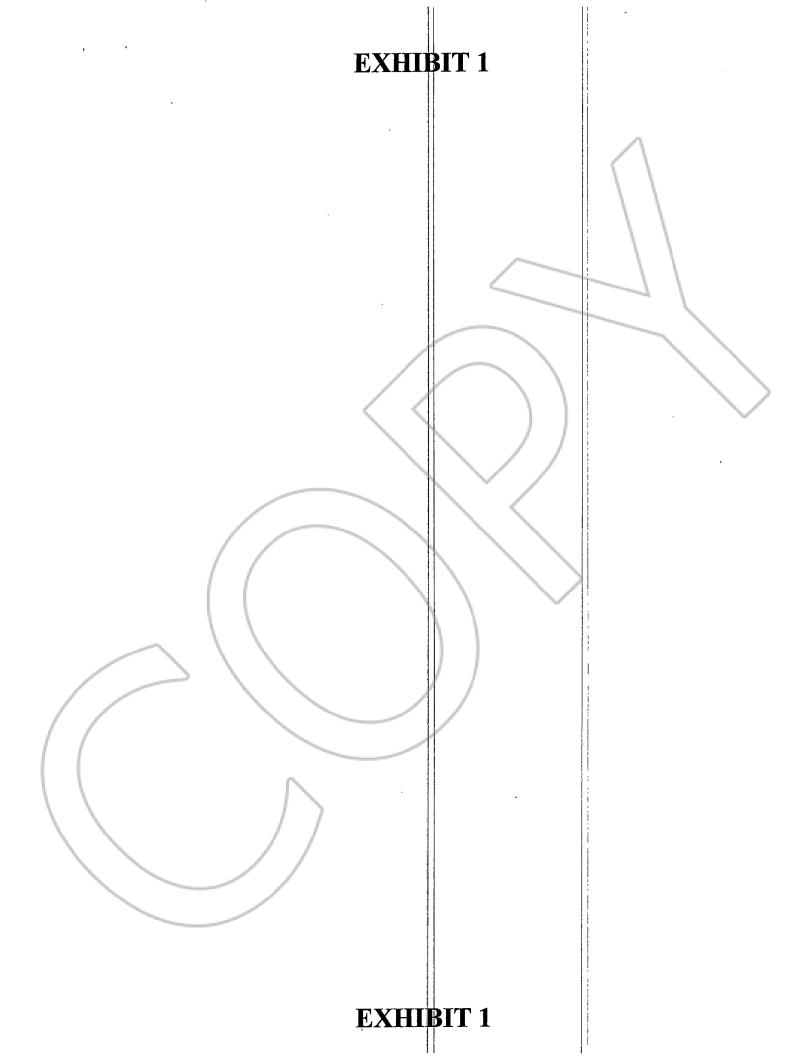
Carson Park Condominium Association is further awarded its reasonable costs in the amount of \$5,512.61 and attorney's fees in the amount of \$3,000. Interest shall continue to accrue on the costs and fees from the date of this Judgment.

Dated this 30 day of April, 2014.

JAMES T. RUSSELL

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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15	vs.		
16	JOHN M. ("MIKE") MULLINS, individually and dba Evergreen Maintenance;		
17	TERESA MULLINS; and DOES I-X,	\ \	
18	Defendant.		
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21 22	THIS CASE came on for hearing before	r i	
23	28, 2014. Present were Kimberly Perkins on		
24	Association, represented by Michael L. Matusk		
25	M. ("Mike") Mullins, represented by Justin M	l l	
26	represented by Nancy Rey Jackson, Esq. The		apnically recorded by
27	Corrie Wolden, CSR, of Sunshine Litigation Ser	vices.	
28	Plaintiff requested the hearing be reported.	AR 14(B).	
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In addition to the 3 individuals named above, testimony was provided by Jonathan Steele. CPA, and Robert DaSilva. The witnesses were sworn and testified; 26 documents were admitted in evidence, and the attorneys were afforded the opportunity for opening statements and closing arguments. The hearing convened at 8:30 AM and concluded at 5:30 PM.

In this case, the evidence showed that Mr. Mullins was retained by Plaintiff as an independent contractor to provide maintenance and repairs of the Plaintiff's grounds, facilities, and property. A written Maintenance Contract was first entered into on or about August 1, 1997 (Exhibit 2), and the contract was renewed annually thereafter. Among his duties was the repair of balcony floors, decks, and support structures, upon request by the Plaintiff.

In 1999, Mr. Mullins suggested that repairs be made to the decks, and he proposed, and Plaintiff's Board of Directors agreed, to retain a helper to assist Mr. Mullins with the work. Exhibits 4, 5, and 6. Mr. Mullins was paid pursuant to his Maintenance Contract, and the helper was paid an hourly sum. Exhibit 6.1.

On or about November 6, 2004, Mr. Mullins proposed that, going forward, certain items be considered outside of his Maintenance Contract and that bids be requested therefor. Exhibit 7. Accordingly,

- 1. on or about March 11, 2005, Mr. Mullins proposed to remove and reconstruct patio enclosures at a cost to the Plaintiff of \$1,998 per enclosure, including materials. Exhibit 8.
- 2. on or about December 5, 2005, Mr. Mullins submitted his bid for work on staircase railings, as required by an insurance review, at a cost to Plaintiff of \$1,875 per week for labor, plus material costs. Exhibit 9.
- 3. on or about February 27, 2008, Mr. Mullins proposed to remove and replace building siding "as needed" at a cost to Plaintiff of \$150 for each piece of 4 x 8 foot siding replaced This included materials, paint, and finish. Exhibit 10.

The parties agreed that although the last written renewal occurred August 1, 2008, Mr. Mullins continued to work as Plaintiff's contractor through the spring of 2012, and the payments to Mr. Mullins continued as they were under the August 1, 2007 renewal.

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There is no dispute that Mr. Mullins was fully paid for the work relating to the patios, the staircase railings, and the replacement of the siding. See, Exhibit 11.

Because Plaintiff maintained accounts with various vendors in the area, including Copeland Lumber, Meeks Lumber, Kelly Moore Paint, and Dave's Supply, Mr. Mullins charged material and supply purchases to Plaintiff's accounts, as regards the materials and supplies necessary for the patio enclosures and the siding. Mr. Mullins testified that he owes Plaintiff the cost of those materials, but he claims he never made a payment because he never received a billing. He just figured that there would be a day of reckoning for the amounts he owed and the amounts he claims the Plaintiff owes him.3

During the time that Mr. Mullins was engaged to provide contract maintenance and repair, Mrs. Mullins was retained to provide bookkeeping services. She testified she began work for Plaintiff in 2000. On average, she worked 3 hours per day, 5 days per week. Her duties included posting monthly payments from Members of Plaintiff's Association, typically \$150 per Membership Unit per month; attend to the office, responding to homeowner issues; writing checks for payables, and preparing monthly reports for the Treasurer to use at meetings of Plaintiff's Board of Directors. Mrs. Mulling purchased Quickbooks for the Plaintiff's use during her first year of employment, and although she had no prior knowledge or training in the program, she was able to set up a chart of accounts. She was able to match monthly payments to the Members' unit numbers; made bank deposits; backed up her computer files on a floppy disk She also maintained a hand written check register. Each week, she prepared checks for money owed to vendors. The checks were signed by Plaintiff's duly authorized officer, and Ms. Mullins would write "paid" on the invoices; make notes to her check register, and enter the payment in Quickbooks. Although she could not identify the Exhibits as documents she prepared, she testified that she "must have" set up a vendor account for Evergreen (her busband's company).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Mr. Mullins never submitted an invoice or other claim to Plaintiff for amounts allegedly due him until after his Maintenance Contract with Plaintiff was terminated

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In sharp contrast to the testimony of Mr. Mullins, Mrs. Mullins testified that her husband made reimbursements to the Association for the amounts he owed for materials. She testified he probably made at least "a couple" of payments by check and others were in cash. She testified that she did not keep a statement to track playments made by Mr. Mullins. She did testify that Mr. Mullins "had a plan" to pay the Plaintiff for any balance owing for materials charged to Plaintiff's vendor accounts.

Jonathan Steele, CPA, testified that his firm was retained to perform an audit of the Plaintiff's books and records for the year ending 2009. This was the first such audit his firm had been requested to conduct, and it resulted from certain changes in the law governing homeowner associations. Mr. Steele had difficulty reconciling the entries in a "sub cash account" (Exhibit 12), and his firm made certain recommendations to the Plaintiff. | Plaintiff implemented the accountant's recommendations, and retained Mr. Steele and his associate, Vanessa Davis, CPA. to perform an Agreed Upon Procedures engagement. Exhibit 14. Under the supervision of Mr. Steel and Ms. Davis, Ms. Perkins was able to properly trace the discrepancies in the "sub cash account" which total \$67,493.96. Exhibit 13

As a result of the Agreed Upon Procedures engagement, Mr. Steele determined that of the \$67,493.96, there were "false deposits" totaling \$40,209.90, and \$610 recorded as cash having been received but not deposited. The balance, just over \$24,000, represents materials charged to Plaintiff by Mr. Mullins after September 30, 2010, when Mrs. Mullins stopped accounting in the "sub cash account" of Evergreen. Exhibit 14. Mr. Steele went on to testify that given the length of time over which these discrepancies occurred; the husband and wife relationship between the parties, and the fact that the only account for which his firm detected accounting irregularities was the Evergreen account, this was a case in which there was a deliberate recording of transactions by Mrs. Mullins designed to make them difficult to discover. There were instances in which both Evergreen and the Member each received credit for the same payment. This was done so that the Member would not detect an error in the accounting.

The charges made after September 30, 2010 appear to be for materials for building siding and paint. See, Exhibit 13.

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There was no evidence that anyone other than Mrs. Mullins made entries to the Ouickbooks accounts until she and her husband left Plaintiff's employment in March, 2012, after the audit report and recommendations were delivered.

In support of his claim, Mr. Mullins testified that he had an unwritten "good faith" agreement with the Plaintiff to the effect that he would be paid for work he performed outside of his contract, and outside of the bids he submitted for the patio enclosures, staircase railings, and building siding. Much of the work dated back to 1997, when a deck railing fell onto a lower patio. Mr. DaSilva recalled the event. Both Mr. Mullins and Mr. DaSilva testified that any such "good faith" agreement would have been reported to and approved by Plaintiff's Board of Directors and mentioned in the minutes of its meetings. However, no such minutes, and no records of any such "good faith" agreement were provided.

On the basis of the foregoing facts, it appears that:

- 1. Except for the work on the pation enclosures, the staircase railings, and the building siding, there was no "good faith" agreement to pay Mr. Mullins for his work over and above the amounts paid pursuant to his Maintenance Contract.
- 2. Although the last written Maintenance Contract was executed effective August 1, 2007. through September 30, 2008, the parties continued to operate in accordance with the prior Maintenance Contract as regards the work performed by Mr. Mullims for Plaintiff.
  - 3. Mr. Mullins has been paid all sums due him under his contracts with the Plaintiff.
- 4. Mr. Mullins owes the Plaintiff the sum of \$67,493.96 for materials charged to vendor accounts of Plaintiff for which Mr. Mullins agreed to and should be required to reimburse Plaintiff.
- 5. Mrs. Mullins made improper accounting entries in Plaintiff's Quickbooks accounting system, which resulted in underestimating the amount owing by Mr. Mullins to Plaintiff, and in so doing, Mrs. Mullins improperly appropriated to herself and her husband the sum of \$67,493.96, while contracted with Plaintiff to provide bookkeeping services.

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Accordingly, it is the decision of this Arbitrator that the Plaintiff is entitled to an award of \$50,000<sup>5</sup> against Defendants, John M. ("Mike") Mullins, individually and doing business as Evergreen Maintenance, and Teresa Mullins, on its First and Third Claims for Relief, and that Defendant, John M. ("Mike") Mullins should take nothing on his Counterclaim.

Pursuant to ADR 17, any application for attorney's fees, costs and/or interest must be filed and served within 5 days after service of this Award.

Dated this 3 4 day of March, 2014.

Mike Pavlakis, Nev. State Bar #00539, Arbitrator

Pursuant to ADR 16(B), the maximum award that can be rendered by the arbitrator is \$50,000, exclusive of attorney's fees, interest, and costs.

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