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ARIZONA SUPERIOR COURT IN PIMA COUNTY, 110 W CONGRESS ST, TUCSON, AZ 85701 CIVIL DEPARTMENT ROOM 131A (520) 724-3210

INJUNCTION AGAINST	Case No		20160	857		
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That it has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter Defendant received actual notice of this Hearing and had	an opportu	inity to pa	articipate	a .		
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ADDITIONAL WARNINGS TO DEFENDANT:

This is an official Court Order. If you disobey this Injunction (even if the Plaintiff contacts you), you may be arrested and prosecuted for the crime of interfering with judicial proceedings and any other crime you may have committed in disobeying this Injunction. Violations of this Injunction should be reported to a law enforcement agency, not the Court. Both parties must notify this Court if an action for dissolution (divorce), separation, annulment or paternity/maternity is filed. This is NOT a parenting time (visitation) or custody order. You must file those requests separately in Superior Court. If you disagree with this injunction, you have the right to request a hearing which will be held within 10 business days after your written request has been filed in the Court that issued this Injunction. Nothing the Plaintiff does can stop, change, or undo this Injunction without the Court's written approval. You must appear in Court to ask a judge to modify (change) or quash (dismiss) this Injunction. Even if the Plaintiff initiates contact, you could be arrested and prosecuted for violating this protective order. If you do not want the Plaintiff to contact you, you have the right to request a protective order against the Plaintiff. However, orders are not automatically granted upon request. Legal requirements must be met.

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Attorney for Plaintiff

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA

In and For the County of Pima

Case No.:

(Unclassified Civil)

Assigned to:

VERIFIED COMPLAINT

EMPIRE TAX FUND VI LLC. Plaintiff.

WALID A. ZARIFI; BETH FORD, Pima County Treasurer and ex-officio Tax Collector; John Does 1 through 5; Jane Does 1 through 5; ABC Corporations; XYZ Partnerships: Government Entities 1 through 5: Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Assigns and Personal Representatives

Defendants.

VS.

of any defendants, if deceased;

Plaintiff alleges as follows:

JURISDICTION

1. This Court has jurisdiction because this suit involves real property in Pima County. The real property (hereinafter "the Property") is legally described as follows:

DEER RUN RANCH ESTATES LOT 8

The Property is further identified by Arizona Tax Parcel Code No. 108-02-0220.

CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(QUIET TITLE & PROPERTY TAX LIEN FORECLOSURE)

- 2. Plaintiff does business in Pima County, Arizona.
- 3. Plaintiff is informed and therefore alleges that Defendant, Walid A. Zarifi, is the owner of the Property because of a document(s) recorded @ 11715 Page 5106 in the Records of Pima County.

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- 4. Jane Doe No. 1 is the spouse of Walid A. Zarifi, if any such spouse exists, and has a presumptive community property interest in the Property that is subject to being foreclosed by this lawsuit and leave to amend will be requested if and when her existence and identity becomes known to Plaintiff.
- 5. The fictitiously named defendants to this lawsuit include the heirs and devisees of the owner of the Property (if deceased) and the interests of any such fictitiously named defendants are subject to being foreclosed by this lawsuit
- 6. The fictitiously named people or entities to this lawsuit are individuals and entities of any legal form presently unknown that may have an interest in the Property. The interest(s) of all such defendants are subject to being foreclosed herein.
- 7. Defendant, Beth Ford, in her capacity as Pima County Treasurer and *ex-Officio* Tax Collector, is the public officer of Pima County who is responsible for the collection of real property taxes such as are the subject herein.
- 8. Plaintiff purchased and/or received an assignment of a real property tax lien on the Property for delinquent real property taxes imposed upon the Property pursuant to law. Plaintiff's lien is evidenced by Certificate of Purchase No. 1402566 in the records of the Treasurer of Pima County. Delinquent taxes, penalties, charges, and interest covered by the lien have not been redeemed and/or paid.
 - 9. Plaintiff has given the statutory notice of this suit as required by law.
 - 10. Plaintiff is entitled to fee simple ownership of the Property.
- 11. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 42-17153(C)(3), Plaintiff's lien on the Property for delinquent taxes, interest, penalties, and charges is prior and superior to all other liens and encumbrances on the Property, except: (a) Liens or encumbrances held by this state & (b) Liens for taxes accruing in any other years.
- 12. Plaintiff's lien includes Plaintiff's reasonable attorney's fees and costs of this suit (if the taxes are redeemed prior to judgment) and such lien is prior and superior to any claim of homestead.
- 13. The claim(s) of each of the Defendants herein constitute a cloud upon Plaintiff's title to the Property. Plaintiff is entitled to have each and every such claim foreclosed,

barring each such Defendant henceforth from claiming any right, title and/or interest in the Property, including but not limited to any right or rights of redemption.

14. Plaintiff has incurred costs, which may include but are not limited to costs for a litigation guarantee on the Property and will continue to incur costs together with reasonable attorney's fees for bringing and prosecuting this suit.

THEREFORE, Plaintiff requests this Court's judgment as follows:

- A. Finding that the sale and/or assignment of the real property tax lien on the Property for delinquent real property taxes, penalties, charges, and interest covered by the lien is valid:
- B. Finding that the Property has not been redeemed by any of the Defendants herein or any eligible person;
- C. Finding that Plaintiff is entitled to fee simple title to the Property free of any claim or claims of any of the Defendants herein or any person or entity claiming through them, except the Pima County Treasurer, including any right or rights of redemption;
- D. Ordering foreclosure of any and all rights, title, and/or interest of any of the Defendants herein or any person or entity claiming through any of them, except the Pima County Treasurer, in the Property, including but not limited to any right or rights of redemption, and barring each of them from further claiming any right, title, and/or interest in the Property, except the Pima County Treasurer;
- E. Ordering the Pima County Treasurer to expeditiously execute and deliver to Plaintiff a deed conveying the Property described in the Certificate of Purchase to Plaintiff pursuant to A.R.S. § 42-18204 and in the form prescribed by A.R.S. § 42-18205 upon delivery of a certified copy of the judgment ordering the same and payment of \$50.00 per parcel;
- F. If any Defendant(s), including any agents, officers, assigns, or attorneys of any Defendants herein, redeems the Property after being served with this lawsuit but prior to entry of judgment foreclosing the rights of redemption of such defendant, then ordering judgment in favor of Plaintiff and against such defendant for Plaintiff's costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred herein pursuant to A.R.S. §42-18206 and further

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declaring such costs and reasonable attorney's fees to be a lien on the Property, pursuant to A.R.S. § 42-17153, while ordering that such lien for attorney's fees and costs be foreclosed, and ordering that a Writ of Special Execution issue commanding that the Property be sold toward satisfaction of such award;

- G. In the event that the sale and/or assignment of the real property tax lien on the Property is found to be invalid or improper for any reason not known to Plaintiff, then ordering that the costs and expenses incurred by Plaintiff in the purchase of such real property tax lien be paid by the Pima County Treasurer;
- H. Granting such other and further relief as is proper and equitable under the circumstances.

Dated: December 21, 2017

LAW OFFICES OF MALCOLM K. RYDER, LC

By: Malcølm K. Ryder

VERIFICATION

STATE OF ARIZONA

COUNTY OF Pima

Malcolm K. Ryder, under penalty of perjury pursuant to Ariz. R. Civ. P. 80(c) states:

) SS.

That I am the Attorney for Plaintiff in the above-captioned matter, and I have read the foregoing Verified Complaint and that the information contained therein is true and correct of my own knowledge and belief.

Dated: December 21, 2017

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIMA

ALTA VISTA PROPERTY ASSOCIATION, INC., an Arizona non-profit corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

WALID ZARIFI, a single man,

Defendant.

No. **C20096486**

COMPLAINT AND PETITION FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

ASSIGNED TO:

MICHAEL MILLER

Plaintiff ALTA VISTA PROPERTY ASSOCIATION, INC., an Arizona non-profit corporation, by and through its counsel undersigned, for its cause of action against Defendant WALID ZARIFI, a single man, alleges as follows:

COUNT ONE GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

1. Plaintiff is an Arizona non-profit corporation and was formed as an Association of property owners. Plaintiff has the responsibility for maintaining, regulating, and preserving all common areas within the Pima County subdivision known as Alta Vista Village II (among other subdivision that are not pertinent to this action), for maintaining the harmony and integrity of the community that it governs, and for upholding the governing documents that apply to all Lots within Alta Vista Village II.

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2.

 the owner of the real property located at 6143 E. Avenida de Kira, Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, Pima County Parcel #109-29-3280 (the "Subject Property"), which is legally described as:

Lot 18 of ALTA VISTA VILLAGE II, according to the map recorded in Book 50 of Maps, page 17 records of Pima County, Arizona.

It is believed, and therefore alleged, that the Defendant is

- 3. By virtue of its ownership of the Subject Property, Defendant is a member of Plaintiff Association.
- 4. All acts complained of herein occurred in Pima County, Arizona.
- 5. Defendant took title to the Subject Property subject to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Alta Vista, recorded in Docket 7479 at Page 1005 et seq., and all amendments thereto (hereinafter, the "Declaration"). Said Declaration is attached hereto, marked as Exhibit "A," and incorporated herein by this reference.

COUNT TWO INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

Plaintiff repleads the allegations set forth in Count One as though fully set forth herein.

- 6. Defendant has failed to maintain the Subject Property in violation of Article VIII, Section 5, and Article XIII, Section 14 of the Declaration.
- 7. Despite notices from Plaintiff requesting that Defendant corrects the aforesaid violation, Defendant has failed and refused to comply.
 - 8. Plaintiff Association uniformly has enforced the Declaration.
- 9. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law for the irreparable harm and damage done by Defendant in violating the Declaration.

- 10. Article XIV, Section 2 of the Declaration states that Plaintiff is entitled to enforce the restrictions in the Declaration by proceedings at law or in equity.
- 11. Article XIV, Section 1 of the Declaration states that the prevailing party in this action is entitled to its attorneys fees, costs and expenses incurred; and Section 7.3 of the First Amendment to the Declaration authorizes Plaintiff's Board of Directors to levy an individual assessment on an owner when the Association must take legal action to enforce compliance of the Declaration.
- 12. This action arises under contract; therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. 12-341.01 and the Declaration, Plaintiff is entitled to a reasonable sum as and for attorneys' fees incurred in bringing this action, but in an amount not less than \$1,500.00.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendant WALID ZARIFI, a single man, as follows:

- A. For a preliminary injunction requiring Defendant to correct all violations of the Declaration that exist on the Subject Property as of the date of judgment entered herein;
- B. For an order permanently and perpetually enjoining and restraining the Defendant, its agents and all persons claiming by or under it from violations that are proven at the hearing or trial on this matter:
 - C. For an award of court costs;
- D. For an award of reasonable attorney fees, but not less than \$1,500.00; and
- E. For interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum on all amounts awarded under any preliminary injunction or judgment entered herein.

1	F. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and
2	proper.
3	DATED this 17 day of August, 2009.
4	GOLDSCHMIDT LAW FIRM
5	O COLORADO
6	Carolyn B. Goldschmidt
7	Attorney for Plaintiff
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9	VERIFICATION
10	STATE OF ARIZONA)
11	: ss. COUNTY OF PIMA)
12	CAROLYN B. GOLDSCHMIDT, being first duly sworn upon her oath,
13	deposes and says:
14	1. She is the Attorney for ALTA VISTA PROPERTY ASSOCIATION, INC.,
15	an Arizona non-profit corporation;
16	2. She has been authorized by the Board of Directors to make this
17	verification on behalf of the Plaintiff Association;
18	 She has read the foregoing Complaint and knows its contents;
19	4. The facts and matters alleged in the Complaint are true in
20	substance and in fact to the best of her knowledge and information,
21	except those matters alleged on information and belief, and as to those
22	matters, she believes them to be true.
23	DATED this 17 day of August, 2009.
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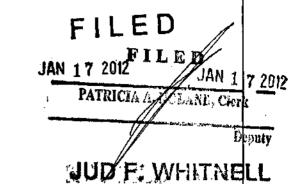
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PIMA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

IN AND FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA

Sage Tax Group II, LLC

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Plaintiff

SKYLINE RIDGE, L.L.C. and AHMED ZARIFI aka WALID A ZARIFI

Defendants

NO. C20120305

COMPLAINT

(CONTRACT)

COMES NOW, the Plaintiff, by and through its counsel undersigned, and for its Complaint against Defendant alleges as follows:

- 1. That Plaintiff is a corporation, or a partnership or sole proprietor; that the Defendant(s) is/are residents of or have their principal place of business in the State of Arizona; and the obligation or debt which is the subject of this Complaint was an event caused by the Defendant(s).
- 2. Plaintiff alleges that this Court has jurisdiction over this matter and that the Defendants, if married, were acting on behalf of their marital community and for community purposes and benefit.
- 3. That the following creditor(s) extended credit, provided care, services, treatment, loans, goods, or materials to the Defendant(s), and/or their minor children: Sage Tax Group !I LLC
- That if applicable, the claims of the above listed creditor's have been assigned to the Plaintiff.







	5.	That Defendant(s), and each of	of them, owe to the Plainti	ff:		
2		A remaining balance of: \$26,095,84	Interest: \$5,282.15	Originally owed to:		
3	!	φ20,070,0 4	\$3,282.13	Sage Tax Group II LLC		
4	. 6.	That pursuant to the contract l	between the parties, and/o	r A.R.S. §44-1201 Plaintiff is entitled to		
5		accruing interest on the:	·			
6		Remaining balance of:	At the rate of:	From:		
7		\$26,095.84	18.000%	01/13/2012		
8	7.	That the Plaintiff has performe	ed all acts required which	entitles the Plaintiff the amounts		
9		contained in this Complaint.				
0	8.	That after all just and lawful s	et-offs, payments and cre	dits have been allowed, the above-		
.1		designated sums are justly and	l truly due and unpaid for	m Defendant(s) to Plaintiff.		
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.5	and reasonable attorney's fees.					
6	11. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1692(e)(11) defendant is notified that this communication is from a debt					
.7		collector.				
.8	WHER	EFORE, Plaintiff prays and de	mands judgment against t	he Defendant(s), and each of them, as		
.9	follows	S:				
20		A. For Judgment in the amour	nt of \$26,095.84:			
21		B. For Judgment on the accruse	ed interest in the amount of	f\$5,282.15:		
22		C. For accruing interest on the	following sum(s):			
23		On the balance of: \$26,095,84	At the rate of: 18.000%	From: 01/13/2012		
24		\$40 , 073.64	18.00070	01/15/2012		
25		D. For reasonable attorney's for	ees.			
26		E. For Plaintiff's court costs in	curred herein:			
		F. For interest at the legal rate	on attorney fees and costs	known the date hereof; and		
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G. For such other and further relief as the court deems just and proper in the premises.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED on January 17, 2012

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IN THE PIMA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

IN AND FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA

SAGE TAX GROUP, LLC,

Plaintiff,

Case No. C20120305

AND WALID ZARIFI

ANSWER OF DEFENDANTS LINDA

Assigned to the Honorable Ted Borek

SKYLINE RIDGE, L.L.C., AND AHMED ZARIFI and SAMIA ZARIFI and WALID ZARIFI and LINDA ZARIFI.

Defendants.

Defendants Linda Zarifi, a single woman, and Walid Zarifi, a single man. (collectively, "Defendants"), for their answer to the Amended Complaint filed by Plaintiff Sage Tax Group, LLC ("Plaintiff"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby admit, deny, and allege as follows:

- 1. Defendants deny each and every allegation of the Complaint not specifically admitted herein.
- 2. Defendants admit they are located in Arizona and that Plaintiff is a corporation; Defendants deny the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 1.
- 3. Defendants admit that jurisdiction in this Court is proper; Defendants deny the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 2.
 - 4. Defendants deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 3.
- 5. Defendants are without sufficient knowledge at this time to admit or deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 4, and therefore deny the same.
 - 6. With respect to Paragraph 5, Defendants allege that the relevant statute



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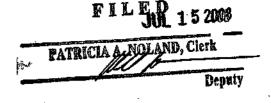
7. With respect to Paragraphs 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, the allegations contained therein relate generally only to Defendant Ahmad Zarifi and Defendant Skyline Ridge, and not Defendants Linda and Walid Zarifi; nevertheless, to the extent any such allegations relate to Defendants Linda and Walid Zarifi, Defendants deny the same.

- 8. With respect to Paragraphs 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, the allegations contained therein relate generally only to Defendant Samia Zarifi, and not Defendants Linda and Walid Zarifi; nevertheless, to the extent any such allegations relate to Defendants Linda and Walid Zarifi. Defendants deny the same.
 - 9. Defendants deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 19.
- 10. With respect to the allegations contained in Paragraph 20 regarding certain identified parcels that Defendant Walid Zarifi "owned, controlled or possessed," the allegations are too vague in regards to (1) what relevant time periods are being inquired about and (2) the method of identifying such parcels such as to allow Defendant Walid Zarifi to appropriately respond. Notwithstanding, Defendant Walid Zarifi affirmatively alleges that he is the current fee simple title owner of any and all real property as identified in any search pertained to Mr. Zarifi in the Pima County Recorder's Office records. Defendants deny any remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 20.
- 11. Defendants deny the allegations contained in Paragraphs 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25.
- With respect to the allegations contained in Paragraph 26 regarding certain 12. identified parcels that Defendant Linda Zarifi "owned, controlled or possessed," the allegations are too vague in regards to (1) what relevant time periods are being inquired about and (2) the method of identifying such parcels such as to allow Defendant Linda Zarifi to appropriately respond. Notwithstanding, Defendant Linda Zarifi affirmatively alleges that she is the current fee simple title owner of any and all real property as identified in any search pertained to Ms. Zarifi in the Pima County Recorder's Office

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Tucson, Az 85716 Copy of the foregoing hand-delivered this 25th day of September, 2012 to: Honorable Ted Borek Pima County Superior Court 110 W. Congress Tucson, Arizona 85701

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIMA

ABDUL WALID RASOUL,
Plaintiff.

٧s.

AHMED N. ZARIFI and SAMIA ZARIFI, husband and wife; SOUTHWEST FOOTHILLS HOMES, INC., an Arizona corporation; SKYLINE RIDGE, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company; WALID A. ZARIFI and JANE DOE ZARIFI, husband wife; MOHR, HACKETT, PEDERSON, BLAKLEY

AND RANDOLPH, P.C., an Arizona

professional corporation; DOES 1-40,

Defendants

C20084870

COMPLAINT

(Breach of Contract, Negligence, Non-Classified Civil)

(Assigned to the Hon.

JOHN F. KELLY , Div.

PARTIES, JURISDICTION AND VENUE

For his complaint against Defendants, Plaintiff alleges:

- 1. Plaintiff Abdul Walid Rasoul is a resident of Pima County, Arizona.
- 2. Defendant Ahmed N. Zarifi is a resident of Pima County, Arizona. Upon information and belief, Defendant Ahmed N. Zarifi acted in the economic furtherance of the marital community consisting of himself and his spouse, Samia Zarifi.

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- Defendant Skyline Ridge, L.L.C. is an Arizona corporation with its 3. principal place of business in Pima County, Arizona.
- Defendant Southwest Foothills Homes, Inc. is an Arizona corporation with 4. its principal place of business in Pima County, Arizona.
- Defendant Walid A. Zarifi, upon information and belief, is a resident of 5. Pima County and/or Maricopa County, Arizona. Upon information and belief, Defendant Walid A. Zarifi acted in the economic furtherance of the marital community consisting of himself and his spouse, Jane Doe Zarifi II. The true identify of Jane Doe Zarifi II is currently unknown to Plaintiff and Plaintiff will amend the Complaint to assert the true name when it is ascertained.
- Defendant Mohr, Hackett, Pederson, Blakley and Randolph, P.C. is an 6. Arizona professional corporation which does business in Pima County, Arizona.
 - This action involves real property located in Pima County, Arizona. 7.
- All acts of Defendants complained of herein occurred in Pima County, 8. Arizona.

COUNT I

(Breach of Contract)

- Plaintiff realleges each and every foregoing allegation as if fully set forth 9. herein.
- Plaintiff relied on Defendant Zarifi to give advice concerning Plaintiff's 10. construction of a home.
- In March, 2007, Defendant Ahmed N. Zarifi represented to Plaintiff that 11. Defendant Zarifi could obtain for Plaintiff high-quality cabinetry for the home which Plaintiff was then constructing.

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- 12. Plaintiff and Defendant Zarifi, individually and on behalf of Defendant Southwest Foothills Homes, Inc. entered into an agreement as follows:
 - a. Defendants would purchase and install all cabinets necessary for the installation of Plaintiff's home including cabinets located in the kitchen, bathrooms, media room, two walk-in closets and dining area.
 - b. Plaintiff would pay Defendant Zarifi \$64,100 so that the cabinets could be manufactured by Prestige Cabinetry, a well-known cabinet maker.
 - c. Plaintiff would pay Defendants \$5,000 for the installation of the cabinets.
 - d. The cabinets would be promptly ordered and installed in a professional and workmanlike manner.
- 13. Plaintiff paid Defendant Zarifi the sum of \$64,100 for the purchase of the cabinets and \$5,000 for the installation of the cabinets.
 - 14. All conditions precedent to recovery by Plaintiff have been fulfilled.
- 15. Defendants have breached their contract with Plaintiff by the following actions:
 - a. The installation was never completed;
 - b. There are defects in workmanship in the installation;
 - c. No cabinets were installed in the two walk-in closets and powder bathroom;
 - d. Despite receiving a corrective work order from the Arizona Registrar of Contractors, the Defendants failed to fix the defects; and
 - e. Other breaches of contract.

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- As a direct and proximate results of the complained of actions, Plaintiff 16. has been damaged.
- Plaintiff is entitled to his reasonable costs and attorney's fees pursuant to 17. A.R.S. § 12-341.01.

COUNT II

(Negligence)

- Plaintiff realleges each and every foregoing allegation as if fully set forth 18. herein.
- Defendants Ahmed N. Zarifi and Southwest Foothills Homes, Inc. 19. negligently installed the cabinets in Plaintiff's home.
- 20. As a direct and proximate results of the complained of actions, Plaintiff has been damaged.

COUNT III

(Wrongful Lien Pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420)

- Plaintiff realleges each and every foregoing allegation as if fully set forth 21. herein.
- On or about December 6, 2005 Defendants Skyline Ridge, L.L.C., Ahmed 22. N. Zarifi and Walid, individually and on behalf of Walid A. Zarifi recorded a deed of trust in Pima County Recorder's Office, Docket 12694 at Page 6880 (the "Deed of Trust").
 - 23. All amounts owed under the Deed of Trust have been paid.
 - Paragraph 22 of the note underlying the Deed of Trust states: 24.
 - Borrower acknowledges that as further compensation of 22) this loan, all the properties encumbered by this Deed of Trust shall be

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listed for sale with Walid Zarifi for a total commission of 7%. The listing agreement shall survive the maturity of this note. Borrower further acknowledges that if any of the encumbered properties are sold, assigned or transferred without listing Walid Zarifi, the borrower shall compensate Walid Zarifi a minimum commission of 7% of the appraised value. ("Paragraph 22")

- Paragraph 22 is void, unenforceable and of no force and effect for reasons 25. including but not limited to the following:
 - The agreement violates A.R.S. § 32-2151.02(A)(2) because it does not fully set forth all material terms including of the listing agreement;
 - The agreement violates A.R.S. § 32-2151.02(A)(3) because it does b. not have a definite duration or expiration date showing dates of inception and expiration;
 - Is not signed by all parties to the agreement including the licensed c. real estate broker; and
 - Other reasons. d.
- Defendant Walid A. Zarifi claims that he is entitled to compensation 26. pursuant to Paragraph 22 because he is a licensed attorney. Defendant practices for the law firm of Defendant Mohr, Hackett, Pederson, Blakley and Randolph, P.C.
- Defendants Zarifi and Mohr, Hackett, Pederson, Blakley and Randolph, P.C. claim to be exempt from the requirements of written real estate rules pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2121 which states that the provisions of Article 21 do not apply to:
 - An attorney in the performance of the attorney's duties as an attorney. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to allow an

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attorney to otherwise engage in acts requiring a license under this Article.

- Defendants Walid A. Zarifi and Mohr, Hackett, Pederson, Blakley and 28. Randolph, P.C. were not engaging in their performance as an attorney for the claimed compensation for listing and/or selling Plaintiff's property.
- Pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420 Plaintiff has made demand on Defendants to 29. release the Deed of Trust.
- Defendant is entitled to this special action relief to declare that Paragraph 30. 22 is void, unenforceable and of no force and effect, and should be stricken as a cloud on the title to Plaintiff's property.
- Pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420(C) Defendants have willfully refused to 31. release or correct the Deed of Trust.
 - Plaintiff is entitled to the following relief: 32.
 - For declaratory judgment that Paragraph 22 of the subject Deed of Trust is void, unenforceable, and of no force and effect, and stricken as a cloud on the title to Plaintiff's property;
 - For damages; b.
 - For treble damages;
 - For reasonable costs and attorney's fees; and d.
 - Other relief as the Court deems just.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff seeks judgment against Defendants as follows:

- For compensatory damages; 1.
- With respect to the claim pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420: 2.

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- a. For declaratory judgment that the subject Deed of Trust is of no force and effect;
 - b. For damages;
 - c. For treble damages;
- 3. For reasonable costs and attorney's fees; and
- For such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

DATED this 5 day of July, 2008

GABROY, ROLLMAN & BOSSÉ, P.C.

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TONI L. HELLON CLERK, SUPERIOR COURT 5/30/2014 3:14:10 PM Jonathan M. Saffer (ASB #022004) (PAN #65713) BY: ALAN WALKER 1 Jill H. Perrella (ASB #026270) (PAN #66277) DEPUTY SNELL & WILMER L.L.P. 2 Case No. C20143008 One South Church Avenue, Suite 1500 HON, CHARLES V HARRINGTON Tucson, AZ 85701 3 Telephone: (520) 882-1200 E-mail: imsaffer@swlaw.com 4 iperrella@swlaw.com Attorneys for The Northern Trust Company 5 6 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA 7 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIMA 8 THE NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY, an 9 No. Illinois banking corporation, 10 Plaintiff. COMPLAINT FOR BREACH OF 11 v. **GUARANTY** 12 AHMAD N. ZARIFI, a married man in his sole and separate capacity; 13 (Assigned to the Hon.) Defendant. 14 15 Plaintiff The Northern Trust Company, an Illinois banking corporation ("Northern 16 Trust" or "Plaintiff"), for its complaint against Defendant Ahmad N. Zarifi, a married man 17 in his sole and separate capacity ("Zarifi" or "Defendant"), alleges as follows: 18 PARTIES, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE 19 Plaintiff is an Illinois banking corporation organized under the laws of the 1. 20 State of Illinois and authorized to do and doing business in Pima County, Arizona. 21 Plaintiff understands and believes, and on this basis alleges, that the 2. 22 Defendant is now and has been a resident of Pima County, Arizona at all times relevant to 23 this action. 24 Plaintiff's claims are based upon conduct that occurred in Pima County, 3. 25 Arizona. 26 This Court has original jurisdiction pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-123. 4. 27 Venue is proper pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-401. 5. 28

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

The Loan Documents

- 6. On or about April 30, 2007, Skyline Ridge, L.L.C. ("Skyline Ridge" or "Borrower"), as borrower, Hidden Valley 80, L.L.C. ("Hidden Valley" or "Third Party Grantor"), as third party grantor, and Northern Trust, N.A., as lender, executed that certain Revolving Line of Credit Loan Agreement ("Loan Agreement"), as has been modified from time to time, which provided for a loan or loans to Borrower ("Loan").
- 7. On or about April 30, 2007, Borrower executed that certain Revolving Line of Credit Promissory Note (Variable Rate) ("Note") in favor of Northern Trust, N.A., as has been modified from time to time, through which Borrower promised to pay Northern Trust, N.A. the original principal amount of \$3,000,000.00, together with interest and other amounts as set forth therein.
- Agreement dated April 30, 2007, by and between Borrower and Northern Trust, N.A. ("Security Agreement"); (ii) that certain Deed of Trust, Fixture Filing and Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement dated April 30, 2007, by and between Borrower, as trustor, for the benefit of Northern Trust, N.A., as has been modified from time to time ("Borrower Deed of Trust"); and (iii) that certain Deed of Trust, Fixture Filing and Assignment of Rents and Security Agreement dated April 30, 2007, by and between Hidden Valley, as trustor, for the benefit of Northern Trust, N.A., as has been modified from time to time ("Third Party Grantor Deed of Trust"), together with the Borrower Deed of Trust, "Deeds of Trust").
- 9. On or about April 30, 2007, the Defendant executed that certain Continuing Guaranty ("Guaranty") in favor of Northern Trust, N.A. Pursuant to the Guaranty, the Defendant unconditionally guaranteed payment of the Loan.
 - 10. Plaintiff is successor by merger to Northern Trust, N.A.
- 11. The Loan Agreement, Note, Security Agreement, Deed of Trusts, Guaranty, and any and all other documents defining, modifying, or otherwise affecting the

parties' rights and obligations with respect to the Loan are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Loan Documents."

Default under Loan Documents and Guaranty

- 12. Borrower committed Events of Default under the Loan Documents by, among other things, failing to repay the Loan on or before the extended maturity date of October 15, 2013 ("Default").
- 13. On January 7, 2014, Plaintiff sent a "Notice of Default" letter to Borrower, Hidden Valley, and the Guarantor ("<u>Demand Letter</u>"). Pursuant to the Demand Letter, Plaintiff demanded that the Borrower, Hidden Valley and/or the Guarantor cure, or make arrangements to cure, the Default under the Loan Documents on or before January 21, 2014.
- 14. Despite demand, the Borrower, Hidden Valley and the Guarantor have failed and refused to cure the Default or pay the amounts due and owing under the Loan Documents. Additionally, fees, costs and interest continue to accrue under the terms of the Loan Documents.
- 15. As of May 22, 2014, the pay-off balance on the Loan totaled \$2,179,495.85 ("Loan Balance"), which is comprised of \$1,954,500.00 of principal and \$224,995.85 of accrued and accruing interest, costs, and fees. Interest continues to accrue at a per diem rate of \$203.59.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of Guaranty)

- 16. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates herein by reference each and every allegation in this Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
- 17. By engaging in the conduct and activities described above, Borrower has materially breached the Loan Documents and damaged Plaintiff.
- 18. Pursuant to the Loan Documents, as of May 22, 2014, Borrower was indebted to Plaintiff in an amount no less than \$2,179,495.85, including principal, accrued and accruing interest, late fees, and costs.

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1	19. Pursuant to the terms of the Guaranty, the Defendant unconditionally
2	guaranteed payment of all amounts due under the Loan Documents, plus Plaintiff's
3	enforcement and collection costs.
4	20. The Defendant received consideration for his promises set forth in the
5	Guaranty.
6	21. Although demand has been made by Plaintiff, Borrower, Hidden Valley
7	and the Defendant have failed to cure the Borrower's Default or to pay amounts due and
8	owing under the Loan Documents.
9	22. Pursuant to the Loan Documents and A.R.S. § 12-341.01(A), Plaintiff is
10	entitled to payment of its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
11	WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for entry of judgment against the Defendant as
12	follows:
13	a. For all amounts due under the Guaranty;
14	b. For costs and attorneys' fees pursuant to the Loan Documents and A.R.S.
15	§§ 12-341 and 12-341.01; and
16	c. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and appropriate.
17	DATED this 30 th day of May, 2014.
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21	Jill H. Perrella (ASB #026270) (PCC #66277) SNELL & WILMER L.L.P.
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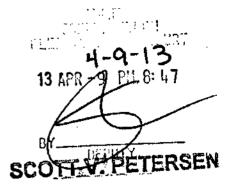
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIMA

DAVID PARRI.

Plaintiff.

v.

RL VENTURES, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; Robert Lee and Jane Doe Lee, husband and wife; Ahmad N. Zarifi and Jane Doe Zarifi, husband and wife; John Does 1-10; ABC Entities 1-10,

Defendants.

Case No.

C2013-1920

COMPLAINT

(Breach of Implied Warranty; Breach of Contract; Negligence; Breach of Fiduciary Duty)

Assigned to:

Gus Aragon

Plaintiff David Parri, for his Complaint, alleges as follows:

- Plaintiff is a resident of Pima County, Arizona and owns the real property located at 1. 6636 E. River Heights Place, Tucson, AZ 85750 (the "Property").
- Defendant RL Ventures, LLC ("RL Ventures") is a licensed general contractor, and 2. an Arizona limited liability company doing business in Pima County, Arizona.
- Defendants Robert Lee and Jane Doe Lee are husband and wife, and residents of Pima 3. County, Arizona.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Robert Lee is, and at all relevant times was, 4. the sole member of RL Ventures and RL Ventures' "qualifying party", as defined in A.R.S. § 32-1121 et seq.

- Defendants Ahmad Zarifi and Jane Doe Zarifi are husband and wife, and residents of
 Pima County, Arizona.
- 6. John Does 1-10 and ABC Entities 1-10 are the fictitious names of defendants, including but not limited to owners, officers, subcontractors, engineers and architects, who may have participated in the allegations set forth in this Complaint. At such time as their true names become known, the true names will be substituted.
 - 7. The individual Defendants were acting on behalf of their marital communities.
- 8. All events alleged herein took place in Pima County, Arizona. Venue and jurisdiction are proper in the Pima County Superior Court.
- 9. Defendant Ahmad Zarifi originally approached Plaintiff about remodeling the residence on the Property and gave Plaintiff a quote for the Project of \$500,000. Subsequently, Defendant Zarifi introduced Plaintiff to his "partner" Defendant Robert Lee.
- 10. On or around November 16, 2011, Plaintiff entered into a contract with RL Ventures for remodeling work at the residence ("Residence") on the Property (the "RL Ventures Contract"). (Exh. 1, Contract between Plaintiff and RL Ventures).

COUNT I Breach of Contract (Defendant RL Ventures)

- 11. The above allegations are incorporated herein by this reference.
- 12. RL Ventures breached its contract with Plaintiff.
- 13. Pursuant to Arizona law, the RL Ventures Contract included an implied warranty of good workmanship and quality materials, and an implied warranty that the Residence constructed would be habitable and fit for its intended use.
- 14. Plaintiff relied on and was justified in relying on Defendant RL Ventures's skill, judgment and experience in performing its work.

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1	15.	Defendant RL Ventures failed to build the Residence in a workmanlike manner with
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3	16.	Defendant RL Ventures failed to provide insurance and failed to provide insurance
4	listing Plainti	ff as an additional insured.
5	17.	Defendant RL Ventures failed to construct the residence as designed and failed to use
6	the materials	promised in the RL Ventures Contract.
7	18.	Plaintiff has been damaged in an amount to be proven at trial.
8	19.	Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-341.01 and § 32-1129.01 Plaintiff is entitled to his reasonable
9	attorneys' fee	s and costs.
10		COUNT II Breach of Implied Warranty
11		(Defendant RL Ventures)
12	20.	The above allegations are incorporated herein by this reference.
13	21.	Defendant RL Ventures breached the implied warranties included in its Contract with
14	Plaintiff.	
15	22.	Defendant RL Ventures hired unlicensed subcontractors and used subcontractors that
16	lacked expe	rience and skill in performing their work.
17	23.	As a result of Defendant RL Ventures' actions, inactions and omissions, the Residence
18	was constru	cted in a defective manner, and is not fit for use as a residence, all in breach of the
19	implied war	ranty of good workmanship, habitability and fitness for intended purpose.
20	24.	Plaintiff was damaged as a result of Defendant RL Ventures' breach of these implied
21	warranties.	
22	25.	Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-341.01 Plaintiff is entitled to his reasonable attorneys' fees
23	and costs.	
24		COUNT III Breach of Fiduciary Duty
25	; 	(All Defendants)

The above allegations are incorporated herein by this reference.

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27.	Defendant RL	Ventures is sub	iect to the	provisions (of A.R.S. 8	33-1005
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- 28. RL Ventures owed Plaintiff a fiduciary duty to pay all funds received from Plaintiff to the appropriate subcontractors and suppliers and devote such funds to the construction of the Residence.
- 29. RL Ventures breached the above fiduciary duty and the duties owed under A.R.S. § 33-1005.
- 30. Defendants Zarifi and Lee caused RL Ventures to breach the above fiduciary duties and the provisions of A.R.S. § 33-1005.
- 31. Upon information and belief, funds paid to RL Ventures by Plaintiff were used on other projects and for the personal use of Zarifi and Lee.
 - 32. Plaintiff was damaged as a result of the breaches described herein.

COUNT IV Personal Liability (Defendants Zarifi and Lee)

- 33. The above allegations are incorporated herein by this reference.
- 34. Defendants Zarifi and Lee participated in, had knowledge amounting to acquiescence to, and/or were negligent in the management or supervision of the activities of RL Ventures, and Defendants actions contributed to the damages suffered by Plaintiff.
 - 35. Defendant Zarifi directed and controlled all decisions made by RL Ventures.
- 36. Defendant Lee allowed Zarifi to direct and control RL Ventures even though Zarifi was not a member, employee or qualifying party of RL Ventures.
- 37. Defendants Zarifi and Lee caused RL Ventures to breach its Contract with Plaintiff and breach the implied warranties included in that Contract.
- 38. Defendants Zarifi and Lee hired and/or caused RL Ventures to hire unlicensed subcontractors.
- 39. Defendant Zarifi violated Arizona's rules and statutes regarding contractor licensure by exercising control over the actions of RL Ventures.

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COUNT VIII Constructive Fraud (All Defendants)

- 70. The above allegations are incorporated herein by this reference.
- 71. Defendants had both a legal and an equitable duty to provide Plaintiff with accurate information regarding the RL Ventures Contract, payments to subcontractors, subcontractors' licensing status, the materials used, their own corporate status and their own experience and license status.
- 72. Defendants had a duty to deal fairly and in good faith with Plaintiff and to provide accurate information to Plaintiff.
- 73. Defendants' breach of the above duties was fraudulent because it deceived Plaintiff and violated the confidence of Plaintiff's agreement with Defendants.
 - 74. Plaintiff was damaged as a result of Defendants breach of the duties described.
 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for the following judgment and relief:
- A. General, special, punitive and consequential damages against Defendants in an amount to be proven at trial;
 - B. Reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-341.01;
 - C. Attorneys' fees in the amount of \$3,000.00 in the event of default;
 - D. Such other and further relief as the Court deems reasonable and just.

DATED this 6 day of April, 2013.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PIMA

SKYLINE RIDGE, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company,

Plaintiff.

SHEAFE LIVING TRUST UA DATED FEBRUARY 29. 1984: Christoper H. Sheafe and Jane Doe Sheafe; John Does 1-10; ABC Entities

Defendants.

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C20165740 No.

PETITION FOR SPECIAL ACTION

(Statutory Special Action A.R.S § 33-420)

Assigned to the Honorable:

TO BE ANNOUNCED

DIVISION___

In accordance with A.R.S. § 33-420 and Arizona Rule of Special Procedure, Rule 4, this Verified Petition for Statutory Special Action (the "Petition") is brought by Plaintiff Skyline Ridge, LLC ("Skyline Ridge") against Defendants Sheafe Living Trust UA, dated February 29, 1984 ("Sheafe Trust"), and Christopher Sheafe ("Sheafe").

JURISDICTION/PARTIES

- Skyline Ridge is an Arizona limited liability company, with its principal 1. place of business in Pima County, Arizona.
- Mr. Ahmad Zarifi ("Zarifi") is the president and member of Skyline Ridge, 2. and a resident of Pima County, Arizona, and has the full power and authority to act on behalf of the company.
- The Sheafe Trust is a living trust organized under the laws of the state of 3. Arizona, doing business in Pima County Arizona.
- Sheafe is the trustee of the Sheafe Trust, with the power and authority to act on behalf of the trust.

- 5. Upon information and belief, Sheafe is also the grantor of the Sheafe Trust.
- 6. This Court has jurisdiction to hear and determine this Petition and to grant the relief request herein pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420 and the Arizona Rules of Procedure for Special Actions.
- 7. Pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure for Special Actions, an Application For Order To Show Cause is filed contemporaneously with this Complaint.

FACTUAL AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

I. The Beginning of the Company and Purchase of the Land.

- 8. Skyline Ridge incorporates by reference each and every allegation as set forth in Paragraph 1 through 7 as if fully restated herein.
- 9. On or about July of 2006, Sheafe, acting on behalf of Sheafe Trust, Zarifi, and several other individuals formed Cinco Soldados LLC, an Arizona limited liability company ("Cinco Soldados"). A copy of the original operating agreement (the "Operating Agreement") of Cinco Soldados is attached as Exhibit "1" hereto.
- 10. The Sheafe Trust held a 16.66% percentage interest in Cinco Soldados, and Zarifi held a 25% percentage interest. See Section 6.1 of the Operating Agreement.
- 11. Sheafe was initially appointed manager of Cinco Soldados, and attorney. David McEvoy was appointed as the company's statutory agent. See Sections 1.7 and 1.8 of the Operating Agreement.
- 12. Cinco Soldados was formed to purchase certain real property consisting of approximately 158 acres located along Soldier Trail north of Tanque Verde Boulevard at 2700 North Soldier Trail, Tucson, Pima County Arizona (the "Land").
 - 13. The Land was purchased for approximately eleven (11) million dollars.
- 14. In order to purchase the Land, Cinco Soldados acquired and utilized two separate loans: one in the principal amount of six million dollars from Alliance Bank of Arizona (the "Alliance Loan"), and the other in the principal amount of four million dollars from Skyline Ridge (the Skyline Loan") See Sections 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 of the Operating Agreement.

- 15. No other loans, other than the Alliance Loan and Skyline Loan, were obtained in order to purchase the Land.
- 16. The Alliance Loan was secured by a first position deed of trust, or lien, against the Land. A copy of the Alliance Loan Agreement is attached as Exhibit "2" hereto.
- 17. The Skyline Loan was secured by a second position deed of trust, or lien, against the Land. A copy of the Skyline Loan Agreement is attached as Exhibit "3" hereto.
- 18. The deeds of trust securing each of the loans (the Alliance Loan and the Skyline Loan) were recorded in July of 2006 in the public records of Pima County contemporaneously with deed conveying the Land to Cinco Soldados.

II. Present Day and The Beginning of the Dispute leading to this Special Action.

- 19. As the years passed following the purchase of the Land, various of the other members in Cinco Soldados defaulted in their respective obligations to the company, such that, as of today, only Sheafe, via Sheafe Trust, and Zarifi remain as members of the company.
- 20. As of today, Sheafe, via Sheafe Trust, retains an approximate 57% membership interest, and Zarifi retains approximately a 43% membership interest.
- 21. In or around June of 2014, Skyline Ridge's Loan was approaching the sixyear statute of limitations with respect to the failure to pay off the principal balance, which was initially due to be paid in July of 2008.
- 22. In order to avoid any enforceability issues with respect to the statute of limitations or otherwise, Skyline Ridge modified its Loan to extend the due date from July of 2008 to July of 2016.
- 23. The foregoing modification was accomplished in writing and signed by Sheafe, acting on behalf of Cinco Soldados. See copy of First Amendment to Promissory Note attached as Exhibit "4" hereto.
 - 24. In July of 2016, the Alliance Loan was paid off in full.

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- 25. Following payment of the Alliance Loan, the Skyline Loan moved to a first position lien against the Land.
- 26. Skyline Ridge is entitled it to the receipt of all sales proceeds from the sale of lots in the Land until paid.
- 27. The first such lot that was put in escrow following the payoff of the Alliance Loan is referred to as "Lot 5."
- 28. Despite the fact that Skyline Ridge was entitled as a matter of law to priority with respect to receipt of the sales proceeds from the sale of Lot 5, Sheafe, initially refused to acknowledge the same or allow the sale of Lot 5 to occur.
- 29. As a part of Sheafe's scheme and artifice, on August 17, 2016, Sheafe prepared and sent a memorandum to the title company handling the closing of Lot 5, which memorandum is attached as **Exhibit** "5" hereto, and provides in pertinent part as follows:

The remaining funds are allocated per the member percentages and scheduled to be paid out per the priority of the existing liens. There is a question as to how the priority is to be followed. It is possible Mr. Zarifi holds a different view of how the priority is to be administered from the view held by Sheafe. Out of respect for any difference that may exist, I am instructing you to hold all remaining funds in escrow until Mr. Zarifi and myself can meet to finalize a mutually acceptable interpretation of how the remaining Seller funds are to be distributed.

III. A Dispute over Priority; the False Lien.

- 30. After receiving and reviewing the foregoing memorandum, Zarifi questioned Sheafe as to the basis for disputing Skyline Ridge's priority, for the first time in the ten years that Cinco Soldados had owned the Land.
- 31. Sheafe directed Zarifi to the deed of trust attached as Exhibit "6" hereto, apparently recorded in May of 2015. (hereafter, the "Sheafe Lien").
- 32. Despite the complete absence of a subordination agreement signed by Skyline Ridge (and no such document exists); and despite the running of the statute of limitations on the alleged 2006 underlying promissory note, the Sheafe Lien purports to

secure an indebtedness evidenced by a promissory note dating BACK TO DECEMBER of 2006.

- 33. It is settled law in Arizona that priority with respect to real estate liens is based on first to record.
- 34. After reviewing the Sheafe Lien, and much argument on the subject, Zarifi was eventually able to convince Sheafe that neither Sheafe nor the Sheafe Trust had any right to prevent Lot 5 from closing OR to divert sales proceeds away from Skyline Ridge.
- 35. Sheafe, having at least momentarily understood that it was impossible for the Sheafe Lien to have the same priority as the Skyline Loan, allowed Lot 5 to eventually close, and ALL net sales proceeds were paid to Skyline Ridge.
- 36. Notwithstanding, almost immediately after the close of Lot 5, Sheafe, apparently suffering a change of heart, declared that all the Land is off the market, and has to date refused to market or sell any of the Land until he and Zarifi "renegotiate" their liens to Sheafe's liking.
- 37. Put another way, Sheafe has essentially taken the Land hostage, refusing to allow lots to be sold, in an effort to strong arm Skyline Ridge into releasing its lien or agreeing to some alternate formal for distribution that favors Sheafe. Sheafe's conduct is continuously depreciating the real economic value of the Land, and of Cinco Soldados.

COUNT 1

(violations of A.R.S. §§ 33-420(A) and (C))

- 38. Skyline Ridge incorporates by reference each and every allegation as set forth in Paragraph 1 through 38 as if fully restated herein.
- 39. Notwithstanding that, as a matter of a law, even if valid, at best the Sheafe Lien could only be in second position behind Skyline Ridge based on when it was recorded, even the most cursory review of the supporting loan documentation referenced in the Sheafe Lien makes it *unequivocally* clear, that, as a matter of law, the Sheafe Lien is invalid. Recordation of the Sheafe Lien and violates the relevant provisions of A.R.S § 33-420(A) and (C) and must be removed.

40. A.R.S. § 33-420(A) provides in pertinent part as follows:

A person purporting to claim an interest in, or a lien or encumbrance against, real property, who causes a document asserting such claim to be recorded in the office of the county recorder, knowing or having reason to know that the document is forged, groundless, contains a material misstatement or false claim or is otherwise invalid is liable to the owner or beneficial title holder of the real property for the sum of not less than five thousand dollars, or for treble the actual damages caused by the recording, whichever is greater, and reasonable attorney fees and costs of the action.

41. A.R.S. § 33-420(C) provides in pertinent part as follows:

A person who is named in a document which purports to create an interest in, or a lien or encumbrance against, real property and who knows that the document is forged, groundless, contains a material misstatement or false claim or is otherwise invalid shall be liable to the owner or title holder for the sum of not less than one thousand dollars, or for treble actual damages, whichever is greater, and reasonable attorney fees and costs as provided in this section, if he willfully refuses to release or correct such document of record within twenty days from the date of a written request from the owner or beneficial title holder of the real property.

- 42. As previously noted, the Sheafe Lien indicated on its face that it acts as security for a purported "promissory noted dated December 6, 2006." See Exhibit "6."
- 43. Zarifi, well aware that no such note or formal loan documentation for the Sheafe Lien exists, questioned Sheafe as to what the lien was referring to.
- 44. In Response, Sheafe directed Zarifi's attention to the copy of the First Amendment to Operating Agreement of Cinco Soldados (hereafter, the "First Amendment") attached as "Exhibit 7" hereto.

I. The Invalidity of the First Amendment as a Matter of Law; 20-day Notice to Sheafe to Remove the Lien.

45. Nothwithstanding, Zarifi does not recall ever signing any such form of First Amendment, for the purposes of this Complaint, even assuming the First Amendment is

The First Amendment proffered by Sheafe contains a separate singature page on which Zarifi's signature appears; however, the document is clear insofar as Zarifi is acting in his individual capacity as a "married man but as to his sole and separate property." Moreover, the signature page contains an entirely different footer and time stamp than that as contained on the first page of the document, casting even more doubt as to when or whether it was affixed to the same or some other version of the First Amendment, as there were several versions being floated by the parties' respective counsel at the time.

- 46. Zarifi, acting through his counsel, sent Sheafe, and the Sheafe Trust a demand letter (the "Demand Letter"), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "8", by Certified Mail, demanding that the Sheafe Lien be removed within 20 days in accordance with A.R.S. §33-420(C). McEvoy acknowledged receipt of the Demand Letter in a subsequent email to Zarifi's counsel.
- 47. The Demand Letter specifically enumerates for Sheafe all of the reasons why the First Amendment, (and accordingly, the Sheafe Lien) is entirely defective and invalid as a matter of law which reasons, include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. The First Amendment is not approved to or signed by Skyline Ridge, as requied per Section 5.11, Page 11 of the Skyline Loan Agreement. See Exhibit "3".
 - b. The First Amendment is not approved to or signed by Alliance Bank, as required per Section 5.11, Page 12 of the Alliance Loan Agreement. See Exhibit "2".
 - c. The First Amendment is not in the form of a legally valid promissory note.
 - d. The First Amendment predates the filing of the Sheafe Lien by OVER EIGHT years a fact that simply cannot be overlooked as an oversight as Sheafe, a well-experienced and long-time real estate practitioner, is certainly aware that Arizona is a "first to record state," and that failure to contemporaneously record a deed of trust at the time of its related promissory note falls well outside anything that could be considered normal practice in the world of secured real estate transactions.
 - e. Notwithstanding all of the foregoing deficiencies, even viewing the First Amendment in the best light possible as a valid promissory note on "equal terms and equal repayment obligations as that of the [Skyline Ridge] loan" (as the First Amendment provides), the applicable 6-year statute of limitations would bar enforcement of the First Amendment as the Skyline Ridge Loan was due to be paid in 2008.
 - f. Indeed, when Skyline Ridge amended its note in 2014 to avoid any statute of limitations issues (the amendment is attached as "Exhibit 4" hereto), Sheafe, before signing the amendment, specifically stated, via email, that he "would have the same signed with respect to his Loan," but of course, no such forbearance agreement was ever presented to Zarifi or Skyline Ridge for signature -- most likely because Sheafe knew that he lacked a valid note or loan in the first place. See email from Sheafe attached as "Exhibit 9" hereto.

 48. Over twenty days have lapsed since Sheafe received the Demand Letter, and has to date refused to remove the Sheafe Lien.

II. The Fraudulent Creation of a New Promissory Note following receipt of the Demand Letter.

- 49. In addition to refusing to remove the Sheafe Lien, Sheafe ineffectively and fradulently attempted to address/correct various of the enumerated deficiencies with respect to the First Amendment by (a) preparing and producing an entirely new promissory note (the "New Note"), (b) back-dating it to December 6, 2016, and (c) adding in some colorful self-serving provisions in an attempt to circumvent various of the deficiencies in the First Amendment.
- 50. The "New Note" was sent to counsel for Skyline Ridge via email from Sheafe's counsel dated July 25, 2016, in response to the Demand Letter sent by Skyline Ridge. A copy of the New Note is attached as **Exhibit "10"** hereto.
- 51. Of course, only Sheafe's signature, acting on behalf of the Sheafe Trust, appears on the New Note, and the New Note was never presented to or shown to Skyline Ridge or Zarifi (or perhaps even Sheafe himself) until it was transmitted via email on July 25, 2016.
- 52. In response, counsel for Skyline Ridge sent an email to Sheafe's counsel, dated August 2, 2016, stating outright that the numerous glaring inconsistencies with the New Note, and further stating that it appeared from just a cursory review of the New Note that it was conjured up in response to the original Demand Letter, citing the following:
 - a. As an intial matter, countless times Sheafe has asserted to Zarifi that the "note" underlying his Lien is the First Amendment, and never once was this New Note, produced or referenced to by any party.
 - b. Of course, only Sheafe's signature appears on the New Note, the problem being that back in December of 2006, Sheafe was only a 16.67% member of Cinco Soldados, and any authority to sign the note could only come via the 2006 Amendment.
 - c. Like the 2006 Amendment, the New Note fails to obtain the required signatures and approvals.

- d. In what could only be characterized as a half-hearted attempt to avoid the statute of limitations problems raised with respect to First Amendment, the New Note states that the corresponding Deed of Trust could be recorded either contemporaneously or at any such later time even though again it is an understatement to say that the same falls well outside the accepted practice in the world of secured real estate transactions.
- e. Along the same vien, the New Note states, in what could only again be viewed as an obvious attempt to avoid the applicable statute of limitations, states it is due in full in "2015 or later" directly contradicting the terms of the First Amendment with state that the Sheafe Loan shall be due at the same time as the Skyline Loan, i.e., 2008.
- f. In fact, the New Note, on its face, contradicts the First Amendment in a few respects: (1) the maturity date of the Sheafe Loan is altered form 2008 to 2015 or later, (2) the interest on the Sheafe Loan jumps all the way up to 12% as compared to only 7% in the Skyline Loan, which the Sheafe Loan purportedly is supposed to mirror, and while the First Amendment, in Section 1.1, specifically states that the Sheafe Loan is "not a member loan", the email transmitting the New Note refers to the Sheafe Loan as "a documented member loan."
- 53. After receipt of the foregoing email from Skyline Ridge's counsel enumerating all of the foregoing deficiencies, Sheafe's counsel, Mr. McEvoy, responded by withdrawing from the matter.
- 54. While it is clear that, at a minimum, Sheafe and/or McEvoy were confused when creating the New Note, a simple review of how the Sheafe Trust is described on the New Note as compared to the signatures blocks for and descriptions of the Sheafe Trust on documents actually signed in 2006, makes its unequivocally clear and leaves no room for doubt that there is no way that the New Note could have existed on December 6, 2006, but instead was conjured up after the fact:
 - a. In the Cinco Soldados Operating Agreement, executed in July of 2016, the Sheafe Trust is described as, and the signature block for the Sheafe Trust reads exactly as follows: "Christopher H. Sheafe and Sharon K. Sheafe, as Trustees of the Sheafe Living Trust UA dated February 29, 1984," and signatures for both appear in the document. See Exhibit "1", page 42.
 - b. Similarly, in the First Amendment dated December of 2006, the Sheafe Trust is described as and the signature block for the Sheafe Trust reads exactly as in the Operating Agreement: "Christopher H. Sheafe and Sharon K. Sheafe, as Trustees of the Sheafe Living Trust UA dated February 29, 1984." See Exhibit 7, page 2.
 - c. In the New Note, however, purportedly done at the same time as the First Amendment, the Sheafe Trust is described exactly as follows: "Sheafe Living Trust UA dated February 29, 1984." See Exhibit 10, Page 1.

- d. Of course, given that the New Note and First Amendment were purportedly created at the exact same time in 2006, and the Operating Agreement was only done five months earlier, this begs the question: why was Sharon K. Sheafe's name left off the description of the Sheafe Trust since it consistently appears in every other description of the Trust from that time?
- e. The Answer, of course, is a simple one, and becomes self-evident when one reviews the description of the Sheafe Trust from any of the modern documents, such as the Sheafe Lien done in 2015, on which the trust is described exactly as it is the New Note: "Sheafe Living Trust UA dated February 29, 1984."
- f. Apparently, sometime after 2006, Sheafe and his then wife Sharon separated, and the Sheafe Trust was amended to reflect this fact. Of course, unless the preparer of the New Note, which was created in 2006, had a crystal ball or the ability to see into the future, there would have been no reason to leave Sharon Sheafe's name out of the description of the Sheafe Trust, b/c as its been well established, she was in fact a part of the Trust in 2006.
- g. Accordingly, the foregoing blunder with respect to the description of the Sheafe Trust, along with all the other glaring, self-serving deficiencies and inconsistencies as compared to the First Amendment, only leaves one to conclude that the New Note never existed in 2006, and was prepared after receipt of the Demand Letter in a foolhardy attempt to remedy the numerous deficiencies brought to Sheafe's attention with respect to the First Amendment.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Skyline Ridge requests that this Court enter judgment against Defendants Sheafe Trust and Sheafe, jointly and severally, in favor of Skyline Ridge and against Defendants as follows:

- A. For judgment immediately clearing, releasing, and forever discharging the Sheafe Lien recorded at document no. 20151420215 in the Office of the Pima County Recorder against the Land;
- B. For judgment awarding either treble Skyline Ridge's actual damages to be proved at trial or \$5,000.00, whichever is greater, pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420(A);
- C. For judgement awarding either treble Skyline Ridge's actual damages to be proved at trial or \$1,000.00, whichever is greater, pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-420(C);

1	D.	For an award of Skyline Ridge's attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses
2		incurred by it in the prosecution of this action, pursuant to A.R.S. § 33-
3		420(A) and (C) and as otherwise permitted by law;
4	E.	For interest on all sums awarded at the highest legal rate from the date of
5		judgment until paid;
6	F. .	For an award of Skyline Ridge's reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and
7		expenses to be incurred in connection with the enforcement of any
8	:	judgment to be entered herein, together with interest at the highest legal rate
9		on said sums;
0	G.	For this Court's order to Defendants that they show cause, if any they may
.1		have, why the relief requested in this Petition for Special Action should not
2	•	be granted; and
3	H.	For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper in the
4		circumstances.
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