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# BEFORE THE COMMISSION FOR COMMON-INTEREST COMMUNITIES AND CONDOMINIUM HOTELS

#### STATE OF NEVADA

SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator, REAL ESTATE DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, STATE OF NEVADA.

Petitioner,

VS.

WALNUT GLEN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, INC. (ENTITY NO. C28072-2002)

Respondent.

Case No. 2024-633



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NEVADA COMMISSION FOR COMMON INTEREST COMMUNITIES AND CONDOMINIUM HOTELS

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## COMPLAINT FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

The Real Estate Division of the Department of Business and Industry, State of Nevada (the "Division"), by and through its counsel, Aaron D. Ford, Attorney General of the State of Nevada, and Phil W. Su, Senior Deputy Attorney General, hereby notifies INC. **MAINTENANCE** ASSOCIATION. WALNUT GLEN LANDSCAPE ("RESPONDENT" or "RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION") of an administrative hearing before the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels, State of Nevada, which is to be held pursuant to Chapters 233B and Chapters 116 of the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and Chapter 116 of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC"). The purpose of the hearing is to consider the allegations stated below and to determine if an administrative penalty will be imposed on the RESPONDENT pursuant to the provisions of NRS and NAC including, but not limited to NRS 116.785 and NRS 116.790.

#### JURISDICTION AND NOTICE

During all relevant times, RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION is a common-interest

community located in Las Vegas, Nevada (Entity Number C28072-2002) and is, therefore, subject to the provisions of Chapter 116 of each the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") (hereinafter collectively referred to as "NRS 116") and are subject to the jurisdiction of the Division, and the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels pursuant to the provisions of NRS 116.750.

#### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 1. RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION is a common-interest community located in Las Vegas, Nevada (Entity Number C28072-2002) with 373 units. **CICCH001-002.**
- 2. At all times relevant to the Complaint, RESPONDENT'S management company was FirstService Residential, Nevada, and its assigned community manager was Cathy Blazevich. CICCH001-002.
- 3. RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION'S 2023 Annual Association Registration form, submitted November 20, 2023, indicated that it only had two out of the three required board member positions filled. CICCH001-002.
- 4. On July 10, 2024, the Division's Investigator, James Johnston, issued a letter opening investigation to RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION'S CAM, Cathy Blazevich, via Certified Mail, to inquire regarding the Association's failure to have at least three board members registered with the Division. CICCH003-004.
- 5. On July 18, 2024, Investigator Johnston issued a second request for information letter to RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION reiterating his request for documents and a response. CICCH005-006.
- 6. On July 23, 2024, CAM Blazevich informed Investigator Johnston by email that the RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION only had two (2) board members for the past two years, and that one of the current board members had just sold her home, necessitating the search for two (2) board members. **CICCH009.**
- 7. CAM Blazevich also provided a copy of the 'beg letter mailer' and candidate statement form that she was sending out to unit owners. **CICCH009**; **013-014**.

- 8. On August 28, 2024, CAM Blazevich reported to Investigator Johnston that only one (1) candidate statement had been received. **CICCH021.**
- 9. On August 28, 2024, the Division sent RESPONDENT ASSOCIATION, through by mailing to CAM Blazevich, an NRS 233B letter via certified mail notifying them that it obtained sufficient evidence to commence disciplinary action by filing a complaint as a result of its investigation. CICCH023-024.

### VIOLATIONS OF LAW

1. RESPONDENT violated NRS 116.31034(1) by failing to elect a minimum of three executive board members.

### DISCIPLINE AUTHORIZED

Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 116.615; NRS 116.755; NRS 116.785; and NRS 116.790 the Commission has discretion to take any or all of the following actions:

- 1. Issue an order directing Respondent to take affirmative action to correct any conditions resulting from the violation.
- 2. Impose an administrative fine of up to \$1,000 for each violation by Respondent.
- 3. Order the Respondent to pay the costs of the proceedings incurred by the Division, including, without limitation, the cost of the investigation and reasonable attorney's fees.
- 4. Approve application to a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a receiver for the Respondent.

The Commission may order one or any combination of the discipline described above.

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a disciplinary hearing has been set to consider this Administrative Complaint against the above-named RESPONDENT in accordance with Chapters 233B and 116 of the Nevada Revised Statutes and Chapter 116 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

THE HEARING WILL TAKE PLACE at the Commission meeting(s) scheduled for December 3-5, 2024, beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m. each day, or until such time as the Commission concludes its business. The Commission meeting will be held at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 W. Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor, Nevada Room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 on December 3 – 4, 2024, with videoconferencing to Department of Business & Industry, Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. The Commission meeting will be held at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 W. Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor, Tahoe Room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 on December 5, 2024, with videoconferencing to Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706.

STACKED CALENDAR: Your hearing is one of several hearings that may be scheduled at the same time as part of a regular meeting of the Commission that is expected to take place on December 3-5, 2024. Thus, your hearing may be continued until later in the day or from day to day. It is your responsibility to be present when your case is called. If you are not present when your hearing is called, a default may be entered against you and the Commission may decide the case as if all allegations in the complaint were true. If you need to negotiate a more specific time for your hearing in advance because of coordination with an out-of-state witness or the like, please call Maria Gallo, Commission Coordinator, at (702) 486-4074.

YOUR RIGHTS AT THE HEARING: Except as mentioned below, the hearing is an open meeting under Nevada's open meeting law and may be attended by the public. After the evidence and arguments, the commission may conduct a closed meeting to discuss your alleged misconduct or professional competence. You are entitled to a copy of the transcript of the open and closed portions of the meeting, although you must pay for the transcription. As a RESPONDENT, you are specifically informed that you have the right to appear and be heard in your defense, either personally or through your counsel of choice. At the hearing, the Division has the burden of proving the allegations in the

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complaint and will call witnesses and present evidence against you. You have the right to respond and to present relevant evidence and argument on all issues involved. You have the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, and cross-examine opposing witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues involved.

You have the right to request that the Commission issue subpoenas to compel witnesses to testify and/or evidence to be offered on your behalf. In making this request, you may be required to demonstrate the relevance of the witness' testimony and/or evidence. Other important rights and obligations, including your obligation to answer the complaint, are listed in NRS Chapter 116 and NAC Chapter 116, including without limitation, NRS 116.770 through 116.780, and NAC 116.500 through NAC 116.635 and NRS Chapter 233B.

Note that under NAC 116.575, not less than five (5) working days before a hearing, RESPONDENT must provide to the Division a copy of all reasonably available documents that are reasonably anticipated to be used to support his position, and a list of witnesses RESPONDENT intend to call at the time of the hearing. Failure to provide any document or to list a witness may result in the document or witness being excluded from

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1	RESPONDENT'S defense. The purpose of the hearing is to determine if the
2	RESPONDENT has violated the provisions of NRS 116, and to determine what
3	administrative penalty is to be assessed against RESPONDENT.
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5	DATED this 28 day of 200808 2024.
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