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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.

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BRECCIA BAY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION;

Respondent.

Case No. 2025-198

RESPONDENTS' ANSWER TO COMPLAINT FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Hearing Date: September 9-11, 2025

Hearing Time: 9:00 a.m.

RESPONDENT'S ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

COMES NOW, Respondent BRECCIA BAY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ("Breccia" or "Respondent"), by and through its counsel of record, Gibbs Giden Locher Turner Senet & Wittbrodt LLP, and answers the Complaint filed with the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels as follows:

JURISDICTION AND NOTICE

Respondent admits the allegations contained within the Jurisdiction and Notice portion of the Complaint for Disciplinary Action ("Complaint").

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1. In answering Paragraph 1 of the Complaint, Respondent admits the allegations contained therein.

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

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1	2. In answering Paragraph 2 of the Complaint, Respondent has insufficient information									
2	to affirm or deny the averments set forth therein, and therefore denies Paragraph 2.									
3	3. In	answering	Paragraph	3	of the	Complaint,	Respondent	admits	the	allegations
4	contained therein.									
5	4. In	answering	Paragraph	4	of the	Complaint,	Respondent	admits	the	allegations
6	contained therein.									
7	5. In	answering	Paragraph	5	of the	Complaint,	Respondent	admits	the	allegations
8	contained therein									

- In answering Paragraph 6 of the Complaint, Respondent has insufficient information 6. to affirm or deny the averments set forth therein, and therefore denies Paragraph 6.
- In answering Paragraph 7 of the Complaint, Respondent has insufficient information 7. to affirm or deny the averments set forth therein, and therefore denies Paragraph 7.
- In answering Paragraph 8 of the Complaint, Respondent admits the allegations 8. contained therein.
- In answering Paragraph 9 of the Complaint, Respondent admits the allegations 9. contained therein.
- In answering Paragraph 10 of the Complaint, Respondent admits the allegations 10. contained therein.
- In answering Paragraph 11 of the Complaint, Respondent has insufficient information 11. to affirm or deny the averments set forth therein, and therefore denies Paragraph 11.
- In answering Paragraph 12 of the Complaint, Respondent admits the allegations 12. contained therein.
- In answering Paragraph 13 of the Complaint, Respondent has insufficient information 13. to affirm or deny the averments set forth therein, and therefore denies Paragraph 13.

VIOLATIONS OF LAW

In answering Paragraph 1 of the Violations of Law section of the Complaint, 1. Respondent denies the allegations contained therein.

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DISCIPLINE AUTHORIZED

1. Respondent requests that the Commission deny the discipline requested in the Complaint as Respondent provided the required notice, the Homeowner requested that the Respondent correct the violation, and the Homeowner was aware that a \$100 fine would result if the Respondent was required to correct the issue at the call box.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

As affirmative defenses to the Complaint, Respondent alleges as follows:

- On April 19, 2021, the Board of Directors for Breccia held a board meeting and approved the use of unique individual gate codes for owners rather than a universal gate code. Thereafter, on May 5, 2021, the Board sent a newsletter to the owners of units in Breccia that included information about receiving unique gate codes, and advised that one of the reasons for the change was due to the universal gate code having been written on the call box many times. The Board sent newsletters to the community with similar information in September 2021, November 2021, and December 2021. On October 21, 2024, at a board meeting, the Board approved an adjustment to Rule 3(c) of its rules and regulations, to include a fine for when individual gate codes are found written on call boxes. The amendment specifically stated that if a member's unique code was written in any manner on the call box, the owner would be notified and charged a \$100 fine to assist with the cost of removing the number from the call box. In November 2024, the Board sent out a newsletter advising the owners about the updated to Rule 3(c) and provided over 30 days' notice before the updated rule was implemented. On January 27, 2025, the Board approved the final verbiage for the updated Rule 3(c), implementing the wording that was used in the previous newsletter. In March 2025, the Board sent out another newsletter that included the updated version of Rule 3(c) and reminded the owners about the update. Therefore, the Board of Directors provided substantial notice to all members regarding the need to keep their unique codes private, and advising owners of the fine that would be issued if their unique numbers were written on a call box.
 - 2. Section 3(c) of the Association's Rules and Regulations states:

Homeowners may be provided with individual vehicle gate codes that allow entry into the community. Homeowners are responsible for the safe keeping of these codes and to make sure that only trusted people and vendors receive these codes. If this code is found written, painted, etched or located on a common area, such as the call boxes, then

a fine of \$100 may be imposed by the Board at an executive meeting. This will help cover the cost to remove the gate code from the common area(s). the Code may then be removed from the call box system and the Homeowner would need to request a new code in writing.

This section makes it clear that owners are required to safeguard their codes and ensure they are not written on a call box. The purpose of the \$100 fine is to help cover the cost of the removing the gate code.

- 3. The Association is empowered to protect the community and enforce the provisions in the Governing Documents for the Association pursuant to Sections 3.1(i), 3.5, 5(b), 6.8, 8.1, 11.6, and 12.6 of the CC&Rs, Sections 4.2 and 4.3(b) and (f) of the Bylaws, and Sections 3(A) and (B) of the Rules and Regulations.
- 4. On January 6, 2025, Respondent provided notice to the Raymond Williams of his violation of section 3(C) of the Rules and Regulations, as well as the violation of NRS 116.31031, and Section 11.6 of the CC&Rs. The notice of the violation also informed Mr. Williams that a hearing would be held on January 27, 2025, to address the violation. The notice also specifically identified the violation and provided a photograph of the violation to Mr. Williams. In response, on that same date, Mr. Williams sent a letter to the Association requesting that the Association remove his gate code from the call box. Mr. Williams did not attempt to cure the violation himself, and did not attend the hearing scheduled to address the violation. The Association paid a company to remove the written gate code from the call box for a cost of \$125. The hearing on the violation proceeded on January 27, 2025, as notified, but Mr. Williams chose not to attend the hearing. After holding the hearing, the Board of Directors issued a fine of \$100 to Mr. Williams to help pay for the cost of removing his gate code from the call box. The Association took all required steps to notify Mr. Williams of the violation and issued a valid fine after notice and hearing.
- 5. Mr. Williams requested that the Association remove his written gate code from the call box, so he clearly had notice of the violation as required by NRS 116.31031.
- 6. Mr. Williams requested that the Association remove his written gate code from the call box rather than take any action to cure the violation himself.
- 7. NRS 116.3115(6) provides that "[i]f damage to a unit or other part of the commoninterest community, or if any other common expense is caused by the willful misconduct or gross

negligence of any unit's owner, tenant or invitee of a unit's owner or tenant, the association may assess that expense exclusively against his or her unit, even if the association maintains insurance with respect to that damage or common expense" Therefore, the Association is permitted to charge the repair costs to Mr. Williams even if he did not directly write his gate code on the call box.

- 8. Section 8.1 of the Association's CC&Rs states that "each Member shall be liable to the Association and the Association my, after notice and Hearing, assess a Special Assessment, for any damage to Common Elements not fully reimbursed to the Association by insurance; provided, the damage is sustained as a result of the negligence, willful misconduct or unauthorized or improper use, installation or maintenance of any Improvement by the Member, the Member's Family, guests, tenants or invitees, or any other Persons deriving their right to the use and enjoyment of the Common Elements from the Member or such Member's respective Family and guests." Therefore, the Association is permitted to charge the repair costs to Mr. Williams even if he did not directly write his gate code on the call box.
 - 9. Respondent took all actions required of it under NRS 116.31031(4).
- 10. Respondent acted properly and in good faith, and in accordance with all duties imposed by law, without malice, either express or implied, and without oppression.

NOTE: Other affirmative defenses may be added at the time of the hearing on this matter.

DATED: September 2, 2025

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The undersigned, an employee of the law firm of GIBBS GIDEN LOCHER TURNER SENET & WITTBRODT LLP, hereby certifies that on September 2, 2025, he served a copy of the foregoing via personal service or through U.S. Mail to the following:

COMMISSION OF COMMON INTEREST COMMUNITIES AND CONDOMINIUM HOTELS

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