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IN THE SUPREME COURT



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Supreme Court Docket No. 40793-2013

STEVEN CUMMINGS

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	Supreme Court No. 40793-201	.3
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Defendant/Respondent/Cross-Respondent,		
and		
NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC	C.,)	
an Idaho Corporation;		
Defendant/Respondent/Cross-Appellant.	)	

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Defendants.

ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual residing in Providence, Utah; NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho corporation,

Third Party Plaintiffs,

VS.

DOROTHY JULIAN, an individual residing in Eagle, Idaho, EVAN SKINNER, an individual residing in Montpelier, Idaho, RYAN OLSEN, an individual residing in

Case No.: CV-09-183

REPLY BRIEF SUPPORTING
MOTION TO EXCLUDE DEFENDANT,
NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY'S
EXPERT WITNESSES AND
TESTIMONY

<sup>1 |</sup> Reply Brief Supporting Motion to Exclude Defendant, Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and Testimony

Georgetown, Idaho, EXIT REALTY OF BEAR LAKE, LLC, an Idaho Limited Liability Company, JOHN DOES I-X,

Third Party Defendants.

The Plaintiff (Cummings) offers the following reply in support of his Motion to Exclude Defendant Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and any other appropriate remedies, including sanctions.

1. Northern Title made several additional misrepresentations about their failure to disclose Mr. Warren's February 7, 2012, Report.

In responding to Cummings' motion, Northern Title attempts to justify its outright misrepresentations with additional misrepresentations by its attorneys that further bolster the need for sanctions. The thrust of Northern Title's argument is that the 33 page "Uniform Agricultural Appraisal Report" (UAAR) prepared by Mr. Warren was somehow not a "complete opinion" because it was a "preliminary" or "cursory" report. This is an absurd argument not supported by law or fact, including the UAAR itself on the "Appraiser Certification" sheet found on page 32, which makes it explicitly clear that this is a "complete" report, not the least of which is Section 2 which states:

(T)he reported analyses, opinions, and *conclusions* are limited only by the reported assumptions and limiting conditions and are my personal, impartial and unbiased *professional analyses, opinions and conclusions*. (See UAAR attached as Bergman Aff. Ex. 1)

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and Section 8:

(M)y analysis, opinions and conclusions were developed, and this report has been prepared, in conformity with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

(Id.)

Thus, Northern Title's argument is debunked by the certification of its own expert, who makes it clear that this was to be a formal and complete report.

In its response, Northern Title's attorney, Aaron Bergman, makes an egregious admission, that at the time Cummings issued his discovery on May 2, 2012, that "he (Mr. Bergman) was aware of the UAAR formulated by Craig Warren," and yet made a conscious decision not to disclose the report, expert credentials, supporting documents etc... as requested in the discovery (*Id.* at 3). There is simply no excuse for this failure to abide by the most basic rules of discovery, and it frankly warrants the attorneys themselves to be sanctioned.

Moreover, Northern Title makes another blatant misrepresentation in the response suggesting that "at the time of (Mr. Kelley's) deposition, Cummings was already aware that the admissibility of the UAAR was already pending before the Court" citing its "Request for Leave to make Expert Disclosures" as proof. (Northern Title Response to Motion for Sanctions at 7) Again, this is absolutely not true. The "Request for Leave" filed by Northern Title on June 6, 2012, states:

On June 4, 2012, Northern Title served its responses on Plaintiff, and also named the relevant expert, Craig Warren. At this time, an expert report had not yet been formulated.

(Northern Title Request for Leave to File Expert Disclosures at 3)

Again, this statement in the "Request" was an intentional perpetuation of a falsehood – that Northern Title then misrepresented in its response to Cummings' Motion!

3 | Reply Brief Supporting Motion to Exclude Defendant, Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and Testimony Finally, Northern Title falsely states that the expert witnesses were to be "rebuttal" witnesses. There is absolutely nothing in their disclosures or discovery responses to suggest that these were to be rebuttal witnesses. In fact, the opposite can be inferred. Mr. Warren's report was prepared in February of 2012, well before Cummings' witnesses were disclosed. At this point, Cummings still knows absolutely nothing about Northern Title's other expert witness, Werner Rosenbaum, other than he is allegedly a realtor. Incredulously, notwithstanding the more than 700 pages of submissions it has made to the Court and Plaintiff in the last few days alone, Northern Title has yet to provide any supplemental information whatsoever with regard to Mr. Rosenbaum. Regardless of whether they were "rebuttal" witnesses, Northern Title is still obligated to disclose and produce the requested information with regard to these witnesses in a timely fashion. It has not.

Pursuant to Rule 11 of the Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court and other parties should be able to rely on statements made by attorneys to be well grounded in fact, warranted by existing law and made in good faith. When they are not, there is a considerable amount of time and resources diverted to diffuse such falsehoods that unnecessarily increases the cost of litigation. That has certainly been the case here. As a result, Cummings has been prejudiced and is entitled to relief from the Court

### 2. In contrast, Cummings' expert disclosures were timely, proper and did not prejudice Defendants.

As an attempt to justify its purposeful withholding of information and utter lack of disclosure whatsoever, Northern Title argues that Cummings' timely disclosure of his expert witnesses was insufficient. This is like a bank robber caught in the act trying to defend his actions by claiming that he is justified because the banker was jay walking. The argument itself

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holds no weight and does not excuse whatsoever Northern Title and its attorney's egregious violation of the rules.

In any case, Cummings' disclosures did comply with the rule, and even if it fell short,

Northern Title was not prejudiced. The expert disclosure rules under IRCP 26(a)(4) requires a:

complete <u>statement</u> of all opinions to be expressed and the basis and reasons therefore;

the data or other information considered by the witness in forming the opinions; any
exhibits to be used as a summary of or support for the opinions; any qualifications of the
witness, including a list of all publications authored by the witness within the preceding
ten years; the compensation to be paid for the testimony; and a listing of any other cases
in which the witness has testified as an expert at trial or by deposition within the
preceding four years.

#### (I.R.C.P. 26(a)(4)) (emphasis)

While Northern Title provided no information whatsoever required under the expert disclosure rules, Cummings disclosure clearly did. (See Exhibit "G" to Northern Title response) For instance, the disclosure with regard to Ms. Katri included a paragraph describing her experience and qualifications, a paragraph describing her analysis of the conduct of Northern Title as it relates to the industry practices, laws and regulations, and then listing 14 different and specific opinions or findings that she will discuss in her testimony. Mr. Kelley's disclosure includes a lengthy paragraph listing specific detail with regard to the analysis of the value of the subject property. Kelley's qualifications are laid out in specific detail in his vitae attached as an exhibit to the disclosure. The disclosure notifies the parties that he was in the process of preparing a written appraisal that will be provided. Both disclosures also indicated the

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documents that the experts would rely on to form their testimony as well as their hourly compensation.

This rather lengthy and detailed disclosure "statement" was provided on March 13, 2012, more than 4 ½ months prior to trial. There has been no written interrogatory or any other such request from Northern Title or any of the parties seeking additional information about these witnesses, including any documents or reports. Rather, Northern Title requested their depositions to occur on June 14, 2012. Both Ms. Katri and Mr. Kelley allocated their time and preparation accordingly. With no request to obtain his appraisal ahead of time, Mr. Kelley managed his busy schedule so that his report would be prepared in time for the deposition. Only two days before the deposition, Northern Title's attorney, Aaron Bergman, made an informal request for Mr. Kelley's report, a draft of the report was provided the following day. Northern Title did not request any extension of time to review the report, but instead proceeded with the deposition of both Ms. Katri and Mr. Kelley for 11 hours of deposition on June 14, with only a 20 minute break. In those depositions, the Defendants went through Mr. Kelley's qualifications and report line by line. They also questioned Ms. Katri on every statement and opinion in the disclosures and obtained copies of the several hundred pages of documents that she reviewed, attaching the documents as an exhibit to the deposition. There is simply no question that Northern Title has had ample opportunity to obtain all the information they would need with regard to these witnesses to prepare for trial. They have not been prejudiced whatsoever by any alleged deficiencies in the initial disclosures.

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#### CONCLUSION

In summary, Northern Title's failure to disclose witnesses, including the substance of their testimony, warrants an exclusion of the witnesses and any claims or defenses that Northern Title would rely on with regard to these witnesses. See *Clark v. Klein*, 137 Idaho 154, 45 P.3d 810 (2002). Moreover, Cummings is entitled to sanctions under I.R.C.P. 37(b) including his attorney fees and costs for Northern Title's purposeful withholding of information requested in discovery. Finally, given the additional misrepresentations and admissions made by Northern Title's counsel in its response to Cummings' motion, the Court should also consider appropriate sanctions under I.R.C.P. 11.

Simply put, the way that Northern Title has handled this matter is typical of the pattern of wrongful and improper conduct from the very beginning of when it was retained to handle the underlying transaction of this case. It is a continuation of the ongoing bad faith in not only the way it handled this transaction and its fiduciary responsibilities toward Mr. Cummings, but also in the way it has conducted itself during this litigation.

DATED this day of June, 2012.

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<sup>7|</sup>Reply Brief Supporting Motion to Exclude Defendant, Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and Testimony

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I hereby certify that I am a duly licensed attorney in the State of Idaho, with my office in Idaho Falls, Idaho, and that on the Arday of June, 2012, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document on the persons listed below by first class mail, with the correct postage thereon, or by causing the same to be delivered in accordance with Rule 5(b), I.R.C.P.

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MOTION TO RECONSIDER Case No. CV-09-183 Page 1 COMES NOW Defendant NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., (hereinafter "Defendant"), through counsel of Bearnson & Caldwell, LLC, and pursuant to Rule 11(a)(2)(B) of the Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure respectfully moves this Court for an order reconsidering its July 5, 2012 Memorandum Decision on Plaintiff's Motion to Exclude Northern Title's Expert and on Northern Title's Motion to Extend Disclosure Deadline for Experts. A supporting memorandum and request for oral argument is filed herewith.

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER Case No. CV-09-183 Page 1 I. THE COURT'S EXCLUSION OF NORTHERN TITLE'S APPRAISAL EXPERT WAS UNDULY HARSH, WHERE BOTH PLAINTIFF AND DEFENDANT WERE LATE IN MAKING EXPERT DISCLOSURES.

Where the value of real property is at dispute, Rule 702 of the Idaho Rules of Evidence require an expert. See *Boel v. Stewart Title Guar. Co.*, 137 Idaho 9, 14-15, 43 P.3d 768, 773-774 (Idaho 2002) (holding that while the Idaho Real Estate Appraisers Act did not impose additional requirements under Rule 702, a real estate agent who did opine on value had to still be properly qualified under Rule 702). Under the *Order Setting Jury Trial*, Plaintiff was required to make expert disclosures within 140 days before July 31, 2012. See *Order Setting Jury Trial* at ¶ 5, attached hereto as Exhibit "A." Similarly, expert disclosures were required to be made with the same level of "specificity required by I.R.C.P. 26(b)(4)(A)(i)." *Id.* Finally, Plaintiff's duty to disclose experts under the Court's *Order Setting Jury Trial* was "separate and distinct from any discovery demands served by the parties under IRCP 26 through IRCP 37." *Memorandum Decision*, 2 (July 6, 2012).

The record clearly establishes that both Northern Title <u>and</u> Cummings were late in making expert disclosures. In fact, the record establishes that the parties were both late, and both made their expert disclosures on the same day, namely June 14, 2012. Where expert disclosures were made late by both parties, even on the <u>same day</u>, the exclusion of Northern Title's expert appraiser was unduly harsh.

The record establishes that Cummings' failed to make expert disclosures compliant with Rule 26(b)(4)(A)(i), until June 14, 2012. Under Rule 26(b)(4)(a)(i), expert disclosures must include:

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER Case No. CV-09-183 Page 2 A complete statement of all opinions to be expressed and the basis and reasons therefore; the data or other information considered by the witness in forming the opinions; any exhibits to be used as a summary of or support for the opinions; any qualifications of the witness, including a list of all publications authored by the witness within the preceding ten years; the compensation to be paid for the testimony; and a listing of any other cases in which the witness has testified as an expert at trial or by deposition within the preceding four years.

I.R.C.P. 26(b)(4)(A)(i) (emphasis added). During the hearing of July 3, 2012, Cummings represented that its expert disclosures were contained in *Plaintiff's Supplemental Disclosures of Witnesses*, dated March 13, 2012. See *Pl's. Supp. Discl. Witnesses*, attached hereto as Exhibit "B." However, Plaintiff's "Disclosure of Witnesses" is a far cry from that required in Rule 26(b)(4)(A)(i).

Looking to Plaintiff's "Disclosure of Witnesses," Cummings does not reveal what his experts opinions will be, the reasons for those opinions, the data relied on by the experts or to be used as an exhibit by the experts. *Id.*; *Cf.* I.R.C.P. 26(b)(A)(i). As to his expert Lenore Katri, Cummings merely lists out fourteen (14) "[i]ssues that will be discussed in Ms. Katri's analysis and testimony." Ex. "B," *Pl's. Supp. Discl. Witnesses* at 2-4. In detail, Ms. Katri testified during her deposition that this "issue" list contained none of her actual opinions, the basis of those opinions or specifically referenced to exhibits she relied on in forming her opinions. *Depo. Katri* at 36:1-45:25, 47:11-52:11, attached hereto as Exhibit "C." Therefore, Plaintiff's "Disclosure of Witnesses" clearly left out the very heart of a 26(b)(4)(A)(i), which was not obtained until Northern Title deposed Katri on June 14, 2012.

Cummings "Disclosure of Witnesses" also fell far short in regards to expert Gregory

Kelley. Cummings merely sets forth that Mr. Kelley "will testify as to the present and future

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value of the subject property, and its diminished value resulting from the exclusion of the east

side," but says nothing about what Kelley's actual opinions are. Ex. "B," Pl's. Supp. Discl.

Witnesses at 4. Cummings also merely states that "Mr. Kelley's testimony will be based on his

appraisal and evaluation of the property, a written report of which he is in the process of preparing

and which will be available mid to late April." *Id.* However, Plaintiff did not provide Kelley's

opinions or evaluation until a draft report was submitted to Northern Title the late afternoon just

before his deposition. Per the Court's Order Setting Jury Trial, the opinions and basis of Kelley's

opinions was due by Cummings on March 13, 2012, not in April and certainly not on June 14,

2012. See Ex. "A," Order Setting Jury Trial at ¶ 5.

The record also discloses that Cummings' "Disclosure of Witnesses" was served far before

his experts formed their actual opinions. Cummings' appraisal expert, Kelley, did not even

formulate a draft report of his appraisal until June 13, 2012, the afternoon before his deposition.

See Kelley Depo. 34:13-14, attached hereto as Exhibit "D" (stating he did not provide a draft report

to Cumming's counsel until the night before his deposition); See also Aff'd. Nathan Olsen at ¶6,

attached hereto as Exhibit "E." ("I pressed Mr. Kelley to finish his report which we then provided

a draft of one day prior to the deposition"). Cummings even admits he did not intend to "have that

report prepared and submitted [until] at the time of deposition." Ex. "E," Aff'd. Nathan Olsen at ¶6.

Katri, Cumming's escrow officer expert, also disclosed that she did not form her opinions

until after Cummings had served his "Witness Disclosures." Specifically, Katri testified that she

relied almost entirely on the documents supplied by Cumming's counsel in forming her opinions,

but that these documents were not provided until 30-60 days before her deposition. See Ex. "C,"

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Depo. Katri at 54:3-10; 60:8-62:3. Plaintiff served his "Disclosure of Witnesses" more than ninety (90) days before Katri's deposition, which means it was served before Katri even formed her opinions. Aside from Plaintiff's "Disclosure of Witnesses," he provided no other information on Katri's opinions until June 14, 2012, where Katri disclosed her actual opinions and the seven hundred and sixteen (716) pages of documents she had relied on in forming those opinions. <sup>1</sup>

As the record clearly establishes, Plaintiff was also late in making expert disclosures, for both of his experts. Even though both parties were late in making their expert disclosures, both made their expert disclosures on the same day, June 14, 2012. The record also discloses that the reason Plaintiff disclosed Katri's and Kelley's expert opinions by June 14, 2012 is attributable not to Plaintiff, but to Northern Title who took their depositions. Surely, it would be unjust for Plaintiff to be rewarded for its dilatory conduct, and Northern Title to be punished for its affirmative conduct, where Plaintiff's duties to make expert disclosures were "separate and distinct from any discovery demands served by the parties under IRCP 26 through IRCP 37." *Memorandum Decision*, 2 (July 6, 2012). Northern Title respectfully requests the Court to reconsider its exclusion of Craig Warren, as such was unduly harsh under the circumstances.

II. AN IMPORTANT CORRECTION TO THE JULY 3, 2012 HEARING HAS BEEN DISCOVERED, WHERE PLAINTIFF'S LATE EXPERT REPORT HAS IMPROPERLY PREJUDICED NORTHERN TITLE AND WOULD REQUIRE ITS EXPERT TO MAKE CHANGES TO HIS REPORT.

During the hearing, Northern Title's counsel Aaron Bergman informed the Court that he believed Plaintiff's late disclosed appraisal opinions would not impact Northern Title's expert

<sup>1</sup> These 716 pages are not reproduced here, but were entered as Exhibits 3 and 4 to Katri's deposition.

Craig Warren's onions. After further discussion with Craig Warren, however, it became apparent

that this statement needs correcting.

Specifically, both Mr. Warren's and Mr. Kelley's appraisals rely on a "Sales Comparison

Approach" to determine the fair market value of the property. Under this method, both experts

analyzed different but similar properties, to determine the fair market value of the subject property,

or Mr. Stephen's property. An important difference in the two reports, however, is that Plaintiff's

expert Kelley compares sales taking place from 2006 through 2008, looking to the value of

Defendant Stephen's property as of 2007. In contrast, Northern Title's expert Warren compared

sales taking place in 2011, looking to the value of Defendant Stephen's property in 2012. This is

an important difference, and if the parties are to compare apples to apples, Plaintiff's late expert

report has impacted and necessitated a change in Defendant Northern Title's expert report. See

Aaron Bergman Aff'd., attached hereto as Exhibit "F."

Obviously, where Plaintiff intentionally withheld Kelley's appraisal report, and has

admitted he was intending not to disclose those opinions until June 14, 2012, there was no way for

Northern Title to guess that a prejudicial discrepancy in the reports would have arisen. See Ex.

"E," Aff'd. Nathan Olsen at ¶ 6 (admitting to fully intending not to disclose Kelley's report until

June 14, 2012). This is critical information that should be considered by the Court, as such shows

Plaintiff's withholding of an expert report prejudicially precluded Northern Title ability to make

its own report. Therefore, Northern Title respectfully requests that the Court reconsider its

exclusion of Craig Warren.

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#### **CONCLUSION**

Northern Title respectfully requests the Court to reconsider its decision. First, both of the parties were late in making their expert disclosures, making those disclosures on the same day. Additionally, but for Northern Title's affirmative action in taking the deposition of Plaintiff's experts, Plaintiff's late disclosures would not have been made by June 14, 2012. Under these circumstances, the Court's exclusion of Craig Warren was unduly harsh.

Second, shortly after the hearing Northern Title became aware that indeed, Plaintiff's late expert appraisal disclosures prejudicially impacted Northern Title's own expert appraisal report.

Obviously, this critical information was out of reach for so long as Plaintiff withheld Kelley's opinions and basis of those opinions until June 14, 2012.

With this information, a reconsideration of the Court's decision is warranted, and Craig Warren should be allowed to submit his report and testify.

DATED this \_// day of July, 2012.

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Brad H. Bearnson Aaron K. Bergman

Attorneys for Defendant Northern Title

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the day of July, 2012, I served a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER to the following person(s) as follows:

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STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BEAR LAKE

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JOHN DOES I-X	Third Party Defendants.	) ),		

(1) TRIAL DATE. This matter is set for JURY TRIAL on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2012, AT THE HOUR OF 9:00 A.M., in the Bear Lake County Courthouse, Paris, Idaho. All deadlines listed below shall apply to the trial setting listed above. The parties should plan to try the case on that date. A continuance of the trial date shall occur only upon written Motion or Stipulated Motion

to the Court which clearly states the reasons for the requested continuance and which certifies that the request or stipulation has been discussed with and agreed to by the party(ies). An Order continuing the trial date to the backup trial date will not alter the deadlines set forth in this Order, except for good cause shown.

- (2) PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE. No pre-trial conference will be held unless requested by any party in writing at least 30 days prior to trial and ordered by the Court. Pursuant to I.R.C.P. 16(e), in lieu of a pre-trial conference, trial counsel for the parties (or the parties if they are self-represented) are ORDERED to meet and/or confer for the purpose of preparing a joint Pre-Trial Stipulation, which shall be submitted to the Court at least 21 days prior to Trial, and shall include:
  - (A) A statement that all exhibits to be offered at trial have been provided to all other parties and attaching an Exhibit List of all exhibits to be offered at trial by both parties. The Exhibit List shall indicate: 1) by whom the exhibit is being offered, 2) a brief description of the exhibit, 3) whether the parties have stipulated to its admission, and if not, 4) the legal grounds for any objection. If any exhibit includes a summary of other documents, such as medical expense records, to be offered pursuant to I.R.E. 1006, the summary shall be attached to the Stipulation.
  - (B) A statement whether depositions or any discovery responses will be offered in lieu of live testimony, and a list of what will actually be offered, the manner in which such evidence will be presented, and the legal grounds for any objection to any such offer.
  - (C) A list of the names and addresses of all witnesses which each party intends to call to testify at trial, including anticipated rebuttal or impeachment witnesses. Expert witnesses shall be identified as such. The Stipulation should also identify whether any witness' testimony will be objected to in its entirety and the legal grounds therefore.
  - (D) A brief non-argumentative summary of the factual nature of the case. The purpose of the summary is to provide an overview of the case for the jury and is to be included in pre-proof instructions to the jury, unless found inappropriate by the Court.
  - (E) A statement that counsel have, in good faith, discussed settlement unsuccessfully and/or completed mediation unsuccessfully, if mediation was ordered by the Court.
  - (F) A statement that all pre-trial discovery procedures under I.R.C.P. 26 to 37 have been complied with and all discovery responses supplemented as required by the rules to reflect facts known to the date of the Stipulation.
  - (G) A statement of all issues of fact and law which remain to be litigated, listing which

party has the burden of proof as to each issue.

- (H) A list of any stipulated admissions of fact, which will avoid unnecessary proof.
- (I) A list of any orders requested by the parties which will expedite the trial.
- (J) A statement as to whether counsel require more than 30 minutes per party for voir dire or opening statement and, if so, an explanation of the reason more time is needed.
- (3) MOTIONS TO ADD NEW PARTIES OR AMEND PLEADINGS shall be filed no later than 60 days after the date of this Order.
- (4) <u>DISCOVERY</u> must be served and <u>completely responded to</u> at least 60 days prior to trial. This includes supplementation of discovery responses required by I.R.C.P. 26(e), unless good cause is shown for late supplementation. Discovery requests must be responded to in a timely way as required by the I.R.C.P. The deadlines contained in this Order <u>cannot</u> be used as a basis or reason for failing to timely respond to or supplement properly served discovery, including requests for disclosure of witnesses and/or trial exhibits. Discovery disputes will not be heard by the Court without the written certification required by I.R.C.P. 37(a)(2).
- (5) <u>WITNESS DISCLOSURE</u>. Except as previously disclosed in responses to discovery requests, Plaintiff shall disclose all fact and expert witnesses no later than 140 days before trial. Defendants shall disclose their fact and expert witnesses no later than 105 days before trial. Rebuttal witnesses shall be disclosed no later than 70 days before trial. Expert witnesses shall be disclosed in the manner and with the specificity required by I.R.C.P. 26(b)(4)(A)(i). Witnesses not disclosed in responses to discovery and/or as required herein will be excluded at trial, unless allowed by the Court in the interest of justice.
- (6) MOTIONS. DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS, and responses thereto, shall comply in all respects with I.R.C.P. 56 and be filed no later than 90 days before trial. ALL OTHER MOTIONS, including any Motion in Limine, shall be filed and heard by the Court no later than 30 days before trial. One duplicate Judge's Copy of all Motions, and any opposition thereto,

together with supporting affidavits and documents, shall be submitted directly to the Court's chambers in Bannock County. All the duplicates must be stamped "Judge's Copy" to avoid confusion with the original pleading. All other pleadings, notices, etc., should be filed with the Clerk without copies to the Court's chambers.

- (7) TRIAL BRIEFS. Trial briefs are encouraged but not required. If submitted, trial briefs should address substantive factual, legal and/or evidentiary issues the parties believe are likely to arise during the trial, with appropriate citation to authority. Any trial brief should be exchanged between the parties and submitted to the Court, including a duplicate Judge's Copy submitted to chambers in Bannock County, no later than 10 days prior to trial.
- (8) PRE-MARKED EXHIBITS AND AN EXHIBIT LIST IN THE FORM ATTACHED HERETO shall be exchanged between the parties and filed with the Court no later than 10 days prior to trial. Each party shall also lodge with the Court at chambers a duplicate completed exhibit list together with one complete, duplicate marked set of that party's proposed exhibits for the Court's use during the trial. Unless otherwise ordered, Plaintiff shall identify exhibits beginning with the letter "A" and the Defendant shall identify exhibits beginning with the number "1."
- party shall be prepared in conformity with I.R.C.P. 51(a), except that they shall be filed with the Court and exchanged between the parties at least 7 days prior to trial. Except for good cause shown, proposed jury instructions should conform to the pattern Idaho Jury Instructions (IDJI) approved by the Idaho Supreme Court. In addition to submitting written proposed instructions that comply with Rule 51(a), the parties shall also submit both a clean version and a version with cited authority by e-mail to the Court's Clerk, in Word format, at least 7 days prior to trial. Certain "stock" instructions need not be submitted. These will typically include IDJI 1.00, 1.01, 1.03,

1.03.1, 1.05, 1.09, 1.11, 1.13/1.13.1, 1.15.1, 1.17, 1.20.1, and 1.24.1. It is requested that the parties agree on the basic instruction giving the jury a short, plain statement of the claims, per IDJI 1.07.

- (10) <u>MEDIATION</u>. Pursuant to I.R.C.P. 16(k)(4), the parties are ORDERED to mediate this matter, and the mediation shall comply with I.R.C.P. 16(k). Mediation must be held no later than 30 days prior to trial.
- If the parties believe that more trial days will be required, the parties are ORDERED to notify the Court of this request no less than 60 days prior to trial. On the first day of trial, counsel shall report to the Court's chambers at 8:30 a.m. for a brief status conference. Unless otherwise ordered, or as modified during trial as necessary, trial days will begin at 9:00 a.m. and close at or about 3:00 p.m., with two 20 minute recesses taken at approximately 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- (12) <u>HEARINGS OR CONFERENCES WITH THE COURT</u>. All meetings, conferences, and/or hearings with the Court shall be scheduled in advance with the Court's Clerk by calling 208-945-2208, ext 23. No hearing shall be noticed without contacting the Clerk.
- (13) ALTERNATE JUDGES. Notice is hereby given, pursuant to I.R.C.P. 40(d)(1)(G), that an alternate judge may be assigned to preside over the trial of this case, if the current presiding judge is unavailable. The list of potential alternate judges is: 1) Honorable Peter D. McDermott; 2) Honorable Stephen S. Dunn; 3) Honorable Mitchell W. Brown; 4) Honorable William H. Woodland; 5) Honorable Richard T. St. Clair.

DATED January 27, 2012.

DAVID C. NYE

District Judge

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STEVEN CUMMINGS, an individual residing in Montana,	) Case No. CV-2009-183
Plaintiff,	) ) PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL
Vs.	DISCLOSURE OF WITNESSES
ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual residing in Providence, Utah, JOHN DOES I-X,	) ) ) )
Defendants.	<u>´</u>

In addition to the fact and expert witnesses previously disclosed by the Plaintiff, Steven Cummings, Plaintiff by and through the undersigned counsel, hereby discloses the following expert witnesses that may be called at trial:

Lenore Katri President Mountain West Title & Escrow 390 W. Sunnyside Road, Idaho Falls, ID 83402

PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF WITNESSES - 1

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Ms. Katri has been in the title & escrow industry for 32 years and has been the President of Mountain West Title & Escrow, an Idaho-licensed escrow agency, in Idaho Falls, Idaho since 2006.

Ms. Katri will testify with regard to the Idaho standards for title and escrow companies, as established by law, regulation and by long standing industry practices. She will provide her analysis of the conduct of the Defendant Northern Title Company, before during and after the subject real estate purchase closed. She will also discuss the standard procedures and document preparation that a title and escrow company is required to follow, and will analyze the actions taken by Northern Title, including the numerous anomalies. Her testimony will be based on the documents and testimony on the record obtained in this case. Issues that will be discussed in Ms. Katri's analysis and testimony include the following:

- Northern Title's duty to complete the transaction according to the explicit direction
  of the written purchase and sale agreement.
- Northern Title's duty to follow the instructions and obligations of the written closing and escrow agreement.
- Northern Title's duty to seek the written approval from both parties before changing any of the terms of the contract or deed.
- 4) Northern Title's duty to inform the buyer or insured of any property contained within the contract's legal description that does not belong to the seller, or is otherwise encumbered.
- 5) Northern Title's duty to record a warranty deed that is consistent with the written purchase agreement.

PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF WITNESSES - 2

- 6) Northern Title's duty to not modify a warranty deed after it has been recorded, without explicit authorization from both buyer and seller.
- 7) That the modifications by Northern Title made to the deed cannot be considered in any way, shape or form as merely correcting a "scriveners error."
- Whether it is appropriate to issue a title policy more than eight months after the transaction has closed, including whether a title company justified in delaying that policy because it claims that it was waiting from instruction from buyer to deed the property to a trust.
- Whether it is appropriate for Northern Title to issue a title policy for a legal description that is different from the title commitment and the purchase and sale agreement, and after explicit internal direction to issue the policy according to the contract and title commitment.
- 10) Northern Title's duty to remain a neutral party as escrow and closing officer, and to disclose any actual or perceived conflicts of interest.
- Northern Title's fiduciary duty toward its insured, in particular after it has become aware of a potential claim.
- 12) Northern Title's duty not to delete or destroy records once it has become aware that there has been a claim.
- Northern Title's duty to properly respond to and remedy its insured when it has become aware that there is a defect in the property insured.

PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF WITNESSES - 3

Any and all relevant issues with regard to her expertise as it relates to the conduct of Northern Title, including any additional issues that may be learned through discovery.

Ms. Katri has not previously testified as an expert witness. She will be compensated \$50 per hour for her time.

Gregory Kelley Kelley Real Estate Appraisers 520 W 15th St # 100 Idaho Falls, ID 83402

Mr. Kelley replaces Mr. Linford who was previously disclosed. Mr. Linford is not available for the rescheduled trial. Mr. Kelley will testify as to the present and future value of the subject property, and its diminished value resulting from the exclusion of the east side. His analysis will include a valuation of the property as a whole, including the acreage on the east side, compared to its diminished value as a whole without the west side acreage. He will also testify as to the value of the excluded west side property by itself. His analysis may also include valuation of portions of the property that was part of the purchase and sale agreement that was conveyed to Mr. Cummings that in fact was owned by different parties than the seller. Mr. Kelley's testimony will be based on his appraisal and evaluation of the property, a written report of which he is in the process of preparing and which will be available mid to late April. He will review pertinent materials, i.e. the various legal descriptions and any other relevant records to his analysis.

Mr. Kelley's qualifications and experience are attached and incorporated herein as exhibit "A." He will be paid \$3,500 for the appraisal and \$125 per hour for testimony. He has not testified in a case in the last four years.

PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF WITNESSES - 4

Plaintiff reserves the right to further supplement this disclosure for the calling of rebuttal witnesses, or to address issues yet unknown that will be learned through discovery and further reserves the right to call any witness, expert or otherwise, designated or called by Defendants and/or Third Party Defendants.

DATED this 13th day of March, 2012.

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Nathan M. Olsen

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I hereby certify that I am a duly licensed attorney in the State of Idaho, with my office in Idaho Falls, Idaho, and that on the 13th day of March, 2012, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document on the persons listed below by first class mail, with the correct postage thereon, or by causing the same to be delivered in accordance with Rule 5(b), I.R.C.P.

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PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF WITNESSES - 6

### QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPRAISER

#### GREGORY G. KELLEY

Idaho Certified General Appraiser: #32 Wyoming Certified General Real Estate Appraiser: #369 Past President, Idaho/Utah Chapter, ASFMRA 2008

#### GENERAL EDUCATION:

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#### WORK HISTORY:

Construction Coordinator, Three Fountains of Idaho Falls - 1976-1978
Self Employed; Building Contractor - 1977-1980
Administrator; OHC Dental Group - 1980-1985
Appraiser - Kelley Real Estate Appraisers, Inc. - 1985-Present

#### APPRAISAL EDUCATION & TRAINING:

Residential Appraisal Course; EIVTS, Idaho Falls 1977 Report Writing Seminar; Bozeman, Montana ASFMRA 1985 Appraisal Course; University of Oklahoma, 1986 AIREA # 1A-1 Appraisal Course; University of Oklahoma, 1986 AIREA # 1A-2 Right-of-Way Training; Idaho Transportation Dept. Boise, Idaho - 1986 Mathematics of Finance Seminar, Twin Falls, ID ASFMRA 1988 Appraisal Course; Phoenix, Arizona, ASFMRA # A-20, 1988 Sales Analysis Seminar, Idaho Falls, ID ASFMRA, 1989 Standards of Professional Practice & Ethics, AIREA, Boise, Idaho 1990 Appraisal Course: Wichita, Kansas, ASFMRA # A-30, 1991 Certification School, Burley, ID, ASFMRA, # A-45, April 1991 Idaho Certified General Appraiser Exam, CGA #32, June 1991 Highest and Best Use Seminar; Boise, Idaho, ASFMRA, January 1993 FIRREA Update - August 1994, Various Appraisal Seminars Standards & Ethics, ASFMRA, Jackpot, NV, May 95 Rural Residential Appraisal Seminar, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 1997 Conservation Easement Seminar, Denver, CO, ASFMRA, November 1998 Federal Land Exchange & Acquisition, Nashville, TN, ASFMRA, November 2000 Income Approach, Discounting & Leasing, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 2003 Appraising Land in Transition Seminar, Jackpot NV ASFMRA, May 2004 USPAP Update Course, Idaho Falls, ID ASFMRA, January 2005 Water Rights Seminar, Idaho Falls, ID; ID/UT Chapter ASFMRA, January 2005 Livestock Ranch Appraisal Seminar, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 2005 Various Current Appraisal Topic Seminar, Boise, ID; ID/UT ASFMRA, January 2006 USPAP Update Course, Twin Falls, ID ASFMRA, January 2006



Code of Ethics, Twin Falls, ID ASFMRA, January 2006 Understanding Conservation Easements, Atlanta, GA ASFMRA, February 2007 Government Appraisal Seminar, Atlanta, GA ASFMRA, February 2007 Recreational Properties Seminar, Atlanta, GA ASFMRA, February 2007 2008 Appraisal Requirements, Atlanta, GA ASFMRA, February 2007 Understanding the Next Farm Bill, Atlanta, GA ASFMRA, February 2007 Mining Seminar, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 2007 Timber Seminar, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 2007 Yellow Book Seminar, Boise, ID Appraisal Institute, October 2007 1031 Exchange Seminar, Salt Lake City, UT, Realtors Land Institute, January 2008 Data Analysis Seminar, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 2008 Cost Estimating Seminar, Jackpot, NV ASFMRA, May 2008 USPAP Update Course, Idaho Falls, ID; ASFMRA, January 2009 Various Current Appraisal Topic Seminar, Idaho Falls, ID; ASFMRA, January 2009 Wind Power & Conservation Easement Seminars, Boise, ID; ASFMRA, January 2010 USPAP Update Course, Las Vegas, NV; Appraisal Institute, January 2011 Appraisal of Nursing Home Facilities; On-line Course; Appraisal Institute, April 2011 USPAP Update Course, Logan, UT; ASFMRA, January 2012

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Bureau of Reclamation

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U.S. Forest Service Farmers Home Administration F.D.I.C. Resolution Trust Corporation

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Utah Power and Light

Banks and Insurance Companies Idaho Dept. Parks & Recreation

Teton Regional Land Trust Union Pacific Railroad Various other government agencies, companies and individuals

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
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STEVEN CUMMINGS, an individual	)	
residing in Montana,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
vs.	)	Case No. CV-2009-183
ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual	)	
residing in Providence, Utah,	)	DEPOSITION OF
NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO,	)	LENORE KATRI
INC., and Idaho Corporation, JOHN	)	JUNE 14, 2012
DOES I-X,	)	
Defendants.	)	
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REPORTED BY:

TIFFANY FISHER, CSR No. 979, RPR Notary Public

1	Q. So my question is: Have you performed and
2	I'm not asking what the analysis was, I'm just asking:
3	Have you performed an analysis on this first issue,
4	Northern Title's duty to complete the transaction
5	according to the explicit direction of the written
6	purchase and sale agreement?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Have you written down your analysis of that
9	issue?
٥.	A. No.
.1	Q. Do you have a written report that you
_2	formulated regarding that issue?
.3	A. No.
_4	Q. When looking at No. 1 here, while it does say
.5	that these are issues that may be discussed by you or
.6	will be discussed by you, this No. 1 doesn't say what
.7	your opinion is, does it?
.8	A. No.
.9	Q. It doesn't state any reasons or the basis
20	behind your opinion; correct?
21	A. No.
2	Q. And it also doesn't reference to any specific
23	documents or information that you may have relied on in
4	making that opinion; correct?

MR. OLSEN: Object.

1	MR. BERGMAN: On what basis?
2	MR. OLSEN: It's in the previous paragraph.
3	But, anyway, I'll let the witness answer.
4	MR. BERGMAN: Well, I'm going to ask that you
5	don't coach the witness.
6	But go ahead.
7	THE WITNESS: And that question again, please?
8	Q. (BY MR. BERGMAN) Looking at paragraph No. 1,
9	does it make any reference to the specific documents
10	that you relied on
11	A. No.
12	Q in making that opinion?
13	A. No.
14	Q. Let's look up to this second paragraph as well
15	in the page. And I just want to read the well,
16	actually, can you read the second-to-last sentence of
17	that paragraph which starts "her testimony."
18	A. "Will be based on the documents and testimony
19	of the record obtained in this case."
20	Q. Okay. In reading that, does that specifically
21	reference to what particular documents you relied on in
22	forming your opinion?
23	A. It doesn't specifically say what documents I
24	looked at.
25	Q. Okay. Does it specifically say what

1	information you relied on?
2	A. No.
3	Q. If you could read this time a little bit more
4	in detail I don't know how much in detail you read
5	the other ones, but Nos. 2 through 13 of these
6	paragraphs for me.
7	A. "Northern Title's duty"
8	Q. I'm sorry. I don't mean to cut you off.
9	But if you could read them in detail to
10	yourself. I don't want you to have to do that to
11	yourself.
12	A. Thank you.
13	Okay.
14	Q. Are you done?
15	A. Done.
16	Q. Okay. As to each of those that you just read,
17	have you formulated an opinion on each of those issues?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. I want to ask you the same questions as I did
20	as to No. 1.
21	Did any of those state what your actual
22	opinion is?
23	A. No.
24	Q. Did any of them state the basis or the reason
25	behind your opinion?

1	MR. OLSEN: Counsel, you know, I think you're
2	going down a road here that it's not going anywhere. I
3	mean, you're here to get her opinion.
4	I mean, this is a document that we filed with
5	you to say
6	MR. BERGMAN: If you have an objection as to
7	form or that it's privileged
8	MR. OLSEN: All right. Well, if you want to
9	waste time, go ahead.
10	MR. BERGMAN: I don't believe it's a waste of
11	time.
12	THE WITNESS: Be a little more specific in
13	that last question.
14	MR. BERGMAN: Not a problem, I can clarify.
15	THE WITNESS: Thank you.
16	Q. (BY MR. BERGMAN) So looking at paragraph
17	Nos. 2 through 13, you've testified that you have
18	formulated an opinion as to each of those issues?
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. Paragraph Nos. 2 through 13, does anything in
21	there explain or describe the basis of your opinion or
22	the reason of why your opinion is the way it is?
23	MR. OLSEN: Object. Compound. Vague.
24	Ambiguous. A few other things.
25	O. (BY MR. BERGMAN) If you can answer it

- A. There are some things in these paragraphs that, yes, I have a basis.
  - Q. That you do have a basis for?
  - A. Yes.

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Q. Okay. Now, maybe I've confused you. My question isn't so much whether you have a basis for your opinions.

My question is: Do these paragraphs explain what those bases are?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And where does it do that?
- A. In No. 2. There is a duty to follow instructions from all of the parties in the transaction.
- Q. And why do you believe there's a duty to do that?
- A. Because you can't take instructions from one party and not the other.
  - Q. And why is that?
- A. Because you're probably going to have conflicting instructions. And you want to make sure that there is a meeting of the minds between all of the parties in the transaction.
- Q. So those would be the reasons for the basis of your opinion; correct?
  - A. Um-hmm.

Are those things in here in paragraph No. 2? Q. 1 Well, "follow instructions," we have an 2 obligation to -- I mean --3 Well, it's --0. I don't understand where you're trying to get 5 to. My question is: You know, when you say there's a duty to follow instructions and obligations of the written closing and escrow agreement, is that what 9 you're saying is your opinion that you formed? 10 Α. Yes. 17 Now, we just talked about a few things about 12 why your opinion is that opinion. 13 Is any of that "why" included in that 14 paragraph No. 2? 15 I'm not trying to trick you. I'm just --16 Well, I'm not sure --Α. 17 MR. OLSEN: Asked and answered. 18 MR. BERGMAN: No, I don't believe she has 19 answered. 20 (BY MR. BERGMAN) Well, let's go back. 21 · So you said that you want to get with the 22 parties to make sure that you don't get conflicting 23 instructions; correct? 24

Correct.

are based on your general knowledge and work experience?

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It does state that in there?

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               MR. OLSEN: Well, in that particular
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               MR. BERGMAN: I'm going to object. I can't
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    have you coach the witness.
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               MR. OLSEN: I'm not coaching the witness.
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               MR. BERGMAN: You're feeding her an answer.
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               MR. OLSEN: No.
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               MR. BERGMAN: And it's improper.
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               MR. OLSEN: I'm just clarifying the record
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    here.
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               MR. BERGMAN: You're feeding her an answer,
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1	Q. And looking at number I don't want to skip
2	them. I think we'll just have to go through them.
3	No. 5, "Northern Title's duty to record a
4	warranty deed that is consistent with the written
5	purchase agreement," is that your opinion as well that
6	Northern Title has that duty?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. No. 6, "Northern Title's duty to not modify a
9	warranty deed after it has been recorded without
10	explicit authorization from both buyers and sellers."
11	Your opinion is Northern Title has that duty?
12	A. Yes.
13	Q. No. 7, "That the modifications by Northern
14	Title made to the deed cannot be considered in any way,
15	shape, or form as merely correcting a Scribner's error.
16	Now, you're aware that there were two deeds
17	recorded; correct?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. So when it's talking about the modification by
20	Northern Title, what is that talking about to you?
21	A. That they made changes to the document
22	regarding the legal description.
23	(Mr. Cummings enters room.)
24	MR. BERGMAN: Okay. And just for the record,
25	can we announce who ic

considered a Scribner's error?

- A. It does not.
- Q. Does it explain any documents that you relied on as to why it could not be explained as a Scribner's error?
  - A. No.

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Q. Looking at No. 8, "Whether it is appropriate to issue a title policy more than eight months after the transaction has closed, including whether a title company" -- there's a typo here, but "a title company justified in delaying that policy because it claims that it was waiting for instructions from the buyer to deed the property to a trust."

Did I read that correctly?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Now, it states that there in a form of a question of whether it is appropriate.

Have you formed an opinion on that issue?

- A. No.
- Q. You have not?
- A. Hmm-um.
- Q. Okay. No. 9, "Whether it is appropriate for Northern Title to issue a title policy for a legal description that is different from the title commitment and the purchase and sale agreement and after explicit

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internal direction to issue the policy according to the contract and title commitment," again, that's stated in the form of a question of whether it is appropriate.

Have you formed an opinion as to that issue?

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- Q. And is your opinion essentially that it was not appropriate for Northern Title to issue a title policy for a legal description that is different from a title commitment and a purchase and sale agreement and after explicit internal direction to issue the policy according to the contract and title commitment?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Does it say in No. 9 your reasons for why that would be inappropriate?
  - A. No.
- Q. Does it say in No. 9 the specific documents or information you relied on in forming that opinion?
  - A. No.
- Q. No. 10, "Northern Title's duty to remain a neutral party as escrow and closing officer and to disclose any actual or perceived conflicts of interest."

Is it your opinion that Northern Title has a duty to remain a neutral party as escrow and closing officer and disclose any actual or perceived conflicts of interest?

1	A. Yes.
2	Q. And does it state in No. 10 the reason for why
3	your opinion is that?
4	A. No.
5	Q. Does it state in No. 10 the documents that you
6	relied on
7	A. No.
8	Q in forming that opinion? Sorry.
9	A. No.
.0	Q. This is fun.
.1	No. 11, "Northern Title's fiduciary duty
.2	toward its insured, in particular after it has become
.3	aware of a potential claim."
.4	Is it your opinion that Northern Title has a
.5	fiduciary duty to its insured, in particular after it
.6	has become aware of a potential claim?
.7	A. Yes.
.8	Q. Does it state in No. 11 the reason for your
.9	opinion on that?
0	A. No.
:1	Q. Does it state in No. 11 any documents that you
2	relied on in forming your opinion on that?
3	A. No.
4	Q. No. 12, "Northern Title's duty not to delete
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It is it your opinion that Northern Title had a duty not to delete or destroy records once it has become that there has been a claim?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Does it a say in No. 12 the reason of why your opinion is that?
  - A. No.
- Q. Does it say in No. 12 any documents or specific data that you relied on for that?
  - A. No.
- Q. No. 13, "Northern Title has a duty to properly respond to and remedy its insured when it has become aware that there's a defect in the property insured."

Is it your opinion that Northern Title has a duty to properly respond to and remedy its insured when it has become aware that there is a defect in the property insured?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And does it explain in No. 13 the reason why your opinion is that?
  - A. No.
- Q. And in No. 13, does it explain any specific documents or information you relied on in forming that opinion?

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1	A. No.
2	Q. No. 14 is really a catchall.
3	So I'll just ask you: Aside from those issues
4	that we've just read and aside from No. 8 which you said
5	you haven't formed an opinion on, are there any other
6	issues not listed here that you have formed an opinion
7	on?
8	A. No.
9	Q. So these are all of the issues that you have
10	formed an opinion on to this date?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. Sorry. I know that was tedious.
13	When did you first hear about this real estate
14	transaction between Cummings and Stephens?
15	A. When Mr. Olsen came to my office and asked if
16	I would be a witness.
17	Q. Okay. And when was that?
18	A. I don't recall.
19	Q. Do you think it was
20	A. Three or four months ago maybe.
21	Q. Okay. So three or four months ago?
22	A. Yeah.
23	Q. Now, obviously, you've spoken with Mr. Olsen
24	about this matter; correct?
25	A. Yes.

commitment that was issued in the case or at least that was issued in the relevant time period of the case?

- A. We haven't really discussed much of it. He gave me copies of documents.
- Q. Okay. Do you have with you the copies of the documents that he gave you?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And so are these the documents that you relied on in forming your opinion?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Aside from those documents that you've brought with you, is there anything else that you've relied on in forming your opinion?
- A. Just the general -- I don't know what you'd say, but generally what an escrow officer does in her closings and what he or she needs to do.
- Q. And that would be through your 34 years of experience; right?
  - A. Yes.
    - MR. BERGMAN: Can we take a short break?
    - MR. OLSEN: Sure.
- MR. BERGMAN: Is it all right if I look through these documents and see what we're going to be going through? I just want to see what you've got here.

(Off the record.) (Break taken from 10:10

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	Q.	Okay.	So	I'm	kind	lof	trying	, to	take	us	at
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Q. After that, we have the exhibit number -- it has been previously marked as Exhibit No. 35. This is also an exhibit that was previously produced in Lori Thornock's deposition.

Have you seen this document before Ms. Katri?

- A. I believe it was in the last booklet that I received to review, which I got on Tuesday afternoon. So these last documents I went through really fast.
- Q. So you were just given a set of documents this last Tuesday?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. And what were you given last Tuesday?
  - A. This book.
  - Q. That whole binder there?
  - A. Yes.

MR. BERGMAN: I think what we're going to have to do for this deposition, Nathan, is just mark that whole binder as an exhibit so that we have the documents

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              MR. OLSEN: Maybe we'll do it -- I think we've
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    discussed before that this whole binder was submitted.
              MR. BERGMAN: Right. I know it has been
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               MR. OLSEN: All right.
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1	A. Yes.
2	(Deposition Exhibit Nos. 3 and 4 were marked.)
3	Q. Do you recall ever looking at that Exhibit
4	No. 35?
5	A. I'm pretty sure it's in this binder. If I
6	looked at it, I just skimmed through it because I didn't
7	have time.
8	Q. So it wouldn't be something you used to
9	formulate your opinion today?
LO	A. No.
L1	MR. OLSEN: Counsel, I'm going to say that I'm
L2	going to need to make a copy of this because I think
L3	this is my original copy of this subpoena. I probably
L4	have a copy of this, but I want to make sure I have one
.5	before I so I guess we can
.6	MR. BERGMAN: We can make a copy at the end.
L7	MR. OLSEN: A copy at the break. Okay.
.8	MR. BERGMAN: I just ask on the record that it
_9	be preserved as it is now.
20	MR. OLSEN: Um-hmm.
21	Q. (BY MR. BERGMAN) I'm going to hand you what
22	has been previously marked as Exhibit No. 42.
23	Have you ever seen this document before?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. And when do you recall reviewing that

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vs.	)	Case No. CV-2009-183
ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual	)	
residing in Providence, Utah,	)	DEPOSITION OF
NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO,	)	GREGORY KELLEY
INC., and Idaho Corporation, JOHN	)	JUNE 14, 2012
DOES I-X,	)	
Defendants.	)	
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the attachment of the amendments and --1 I think there was --2 Formatting changes? 3 -- formatting changes and grammatical changes, just one or two that maybe that were made. 5 MR. BERGMAN: Can we have this marked as 6 Exhibit No. 11. 7 (Deposition Exhibit No. 11 was marked.) (BY MR. BERMAN) Now, do you know what's Ο. contained in Exhibit No. 11? 10 A. Yes. It's the body of this report without the 11 information that's in the addendum. 12 Did you provide that to Nathan last night? 13 I did. Α. 14 So Exhibit No. 11 isn't your complete report; 15 correct? 16 Yes, absent the addendum items, nine maps, and 17 the plats and the photos and all of the addendum items. 18 The addendum items, are those the documents 19 that basically you relied on while you were doing this 20 21 appraisal? A. Yes. 22 Let's look at the addendums here that you have 23 in Exhibit No. 10. Let's see if we can start at the 24 right place. 25

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STEVEN B. CUMMINGS, an individual residing in Utah,

Plaintiff,

VS.

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Defendants.

ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual residing in Providence, Utah; NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho corporation,

Third Party Plaintiffs,

VS.

DOROTHY JULIAN, an individual residing

Case No.: CV-09-183

AFFIDAVIT OF NATHAN M. OLSEN
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO
EXCLUDE DEFENDANT, NORTHERN
TITLE COMPANY'S EXPERT
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in Eagle, Idaho, EVAN SKINNER, an individual residing in Montpelier, Idaho, RYAN OLSEN, an individual residing in Georgetown, Idaho, EXIT REALTY OF BEAR LAKE, LLC, an Idaho Limited Liability Company, JOHN DOES I-X,

Third Party Defendants.

STATE OF IDAHO	)
	) ss
County of Bonneville	)

- I, Nathan M. Olsen, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony given in this sworn statement is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, that it is made on my personal knowledge, and that I would so testify in open court if called upon to do so.
- 1. On or about March 12, 2012, Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc. (Northern Title) filed an "Amended Witness Disclosure and Third Party Plaintiff Witness Disclosure" naming only one expert witness, a "Craig Warren" as an expert Certified General Appraiser expected to "testify concerning the appraisal value of the property." (A true and correct copy is attached as "Exhibit A.") No other information was provided with regard to Mr. Warren pursuant to I.R.C.P. 26(b)(4)(A)(I), including any written report.
- 2. On or about May 2, 2012, I propounded written discovery to Northern Title, electing under LR.C.P. 26(b)(4) to obtain information about Northern Title's expert by "interrogatory." I specifically requested the following:
  - (1) a complete statement of all opinions to be expressed and the basis and reasons therefor; (2) the data or other information considered by the witness in forming

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the opinions; (3) any exhibits to be used as a summary of or support for the opinions; (4) any qualifications of the witness, including a list of all publications authored by the witness within the preceding ten years; (5) the compensation to be paid for the testimony; and (6) a listing of any other cases in which the witness has testified as an expert at trial or by deposition within the preceding four years.

3. On June 4, 2012, Northern Title responded to this interrogatory as such:

# <u>Defendant Northern Title has not yet obtained a statement of opinions from expert witnesses in this matter.</u>

The response then indicates that Northern Title retained two expert witnesses "Craig Warren" and "Werner Rosenbaum." The response provides absolutely no other information about these potential witnesses, including even the topic of their testimony. A true and correct copy of Northern Title's responses are attached as "Exhibit B" (see page 8 and 9).

- 4. Northern Title's principal owner and agent, Jay Davis, signed a sworn verification of the responses testifying that he "read the foregoing" responses, and "knows and understands the contents thereof" and that "the same are true of his knowledge." (See Page 19 Exhibit B)
- 5. According to the Court's "Order Setting Jury Trial" Northern Title's expert witness disclosures were due no later than April 15, 2012. Moreover, all discovery should have been completely responded to and supplemented by June 2, 2012.
- 6. On behalf of the Plaintiff, I timely disclosed two experts, escrow officer, Lenore Katri, and appraiser, Greg Kelley. Pursuant to a May 8, 2012 "Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Gregory Kelley," Northern Title elected to discover facts known and opinions of Mr. Kelley by deposition, which was taken on June 14, 2012. (A true and correct copy of which is attached

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as Exhibit C.) I have never received any interrogatory from Northern Title requesting any additional information, opinions, etc... from Mr. Kelley. Further, Northern Title's notice of deposition requests no such information or documents, but simply that Mr. Kelley provide his oral examination. About two days before the deposition, I received an e-mail request from Northern Title attorney, Aaron Bergman, requesting Mr. Kelley's appraisal report. Because we had not received such a request before, Mr. Kelley was anticipating to have that report prepared and submitted at the time of the deposition. Nevertheless, after receiving this request, I pressed Mr. Kelley to finish his report which we then provided a draft of one day prior to the deposition. Mr. Kelley was questioned for more than six hours about his qualifications, report and opinion by Defendants' attorneys.

- 7. During Mr. Kelley's deposition, I noticed Roger Stephens' attorney, Jason Flaig, and Northern Title attorney, Aaron Bergman, referring to a document that I had never seen nor had been provided. At least a couple of times I observed Mr. Flaig and Mr. Bergman glancing at the document, nudging each other and even snickering at one point. About four hours into the deposition, Mr. Bergman marked as an exhibit a document entitled "Uniform Agricultural Appraisal Report" prepared by "Craig Warren" for "Northern Title" on February 7, 2012. I had not been provided this document on that very moment (about 6:00 PM on June 14, 2012.) Mr. Kelley had also never seen this report. Over my strenuous objection, the Defendants' attorneys proceeded to question Mr. Kelley for another two hours in relation to the document. A true and correct copy of the cover page of this report is attached as Exhibit D.
- As of the date of this affidavit, I have yet to be provided any additional information

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whatsoever with regard to Northern Title's named experts. I have not received any background or qualifications of these individuals, no opinions (other than the alleged "appraisal report" prepared several months ago but not provided until June 14), facts or documents relied upon in such opinions, etc...

- 9. In some fashion or another, Northern Title and its attorneys have been involved in this case since March of 2010. Stephens initially filed a 3<sup>rd</sup> party claim against Northern Title that was withdrawn. However, Northern Title's attorneys appeared as "co-counsel" for Stephens (in actuality was merely a disguise to represent Northern Title's own interest). The Plaintiff amended his complaint in June of 2011 to add Northern Title as a Defendant.
- 10. To date, I have incurred no less than 14 hours of attorney time to address the Defendants' violations with regard to expert disclosures, and in particular, the surprise appraisal report provided at Mr. Kelley's June 14, 2012, deposition. These costs include the time spent defending Mr. Kelley's deposition and the aftermath including the preparing of this motion.

DATED this day of June, 2012.

Nathan M. Olser

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this \_\_/\_\_\_ day of June, 2012.

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am a duly licensed attorney in the State of Idaho, with my office in Idaho Falls, Idaho, and that on the day of June, 2012, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document on the persons listed below by first class mail, with the correct postage thereon, or by causing the same to be delivered in accordance with Rule 5(b), I.R.C.P.

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LAKE, LLC an Idaho Limited Liability Company, JOHN DOES 1-X.	)	
Third Party Defendants.	)	

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AARON K. BERGMAN, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

- 1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Idaho. I represent Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc. ("Northern Title") and have personal knowledge of the matters testified to herein and would so testify if called.
- 2. On July 3, 2012, the Court held a hearing on Northern Title's request to extend the expert disclosure deadline, and on Plaintiff's motion to exclude Plaintiff's expert on the basis that Northern Title's expert report was disclosed late.
- 3. During this hearing, I informed the Court that it was my belief that Northern Title's expert Craig Warren would not need to alter his opinions in response to Plaintiff's own late expert disclosure. However, this was based on a good faith based assumption where Plaintiff's own expert testified that the property value of Defendant Stephens property would not have changed markedly between 2007 to the present, when the economy suffered a major real estate downfall. See *Kelley Depo.* at ¶ 115:10-116:9, attached hereto as Exhibit "1."
- 4. Shortly after the hearing on July 3, 2012, I contacted Northern Title's expert Mr. Craig Warren, to see how he was doing on his rebuttal report. During this discussion, it became clear that Plaintiff's late expert disclosures, evaluating not current sales comparisons but sales comparisons from 2006 through 2008, would impact Northern Title's expert opinion, insofar as the relevant subject sale period had to be the same if Northern Title and Cummings were to compare apples to apples. Specifically, Mr. Warren informed me that, contrary to Plaintiff's

AFFIDAVIT OF AARON K. BERGMAN IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER - Page 2 Case No. CV-09-183 expert Kelley's testimony, Mr. Warren believes the change in time period would impact the valuation if the relevant sales period were 2007 rather than 2012.

5. Given the above information gained after the hearing of July 3, 2012, I am now of the belief that Plaintiff's late expert disclosures would directly impact Northern Title's expert opinions. Where Plaintiff intentionally withheld any appraisal report until the time of the deposition on June 14, 2012, this discrepancy was not detected until that late date.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Dated this \_\_//\_ day of July, 2012.

AARÓN K. BERGMAN

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 11th day of July, 2012.



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OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BEAR LAKE

STEVEN CUMMINGS, an individual	)	
residing in Montana,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
vs.	)	Case No. CV-2009-183
ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual	)	
residing in Providence, Utah,	)	DEPOSITION OF
NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO,	)	GREGORY KELLEY
INC., and Idaho Corporation, JOHN	)	JUNE 14, 2012
DOES I-X,	)	
Defendants.	)	
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REPORTED BY:

TIFFANY FISHER, CSR No. 979, RPR
Notary Public

### Gregory Kelley 6/14/2012

A. I'm not sure if it impacted significantly down there because most of what's grown in this area is hay. There's a lot of livestock generations. There's some grain down there, but it has got a lot shorter growing season that you've got out here than out west and Pocatello. And growing season is a huge factor, so you don't have the same quality of crop.

So that makes a difference when I talk about a high-production property.

Q. I believe you mention in your report that there's some properties that were just kind of speculative properties that totally just tanked, and then there's other properties -- or maybe it's something you talked about today.

But there's some other properties that might have some speculative component but also might have an agricultural component that kept the price somewhat stable; is that correct?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. So my question is: Is the subject property, the area that this is in, looking at the subject property specifically, is this the kind of property that kind of even though it has some investment potential was able to maintain some -- or at least be stable despite the spike we see in the residential

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housing industry, for instance?

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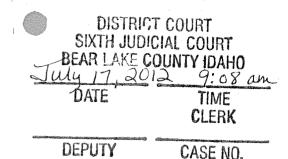
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appraising. I was looking for sales in that area, and

- I think, generally speaking, yes, this one -this area didn't rise to too high. Therefore, it didn't fall too far. It probably maintained relatively status quo. You find some other areas that spiked really high, and they dropped really far too.
  - But this wasn't one of those areas?
- I don't think so. Generally speaking, I don't think it would be.
- Earlier you talked about this Western Ag Credit place that you worked with in Logan?
  - I didn't work with them, but I --
  - You didn't work with them? Ο.
- I just turned to them for sales data. They're one of my sources for sales data.
- Explain to me what your relationship is with them.
- Oh, I know a couple of guys that are appraisers there. We go to a lot of the same meetings. I guess in line of full disclosure, Jackson Love is married to one of my nieces.
  - Well, now you're on the hook.
- But that -- he didn't influence me in any way. And, again, he doesn't know which property I was

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Plaintiff,

VS.

ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual residing in Providence, Utah, NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho corporation, JOHN DOES I-X,

Defendants.

CASE NO. CV-2009-183

MINUTE ENTRY **ORDER** 

On July 17, 2012, Nathan M. Olsen, counsel for Plaintiff Steven Cummings, Randall C. Budge, counsel for Defendant Roger Stephens and Aaron Bergman and Brad Bearnson, counsel for Defendant Northern Title Company were present in the courtroom. The court reporter was Stephanie Morse and the court clerk was Karen Volbrecht.

This matter was set for motion hearings and pretrial conference. The following motions were noticed up for hearing; Cummings' Motion for Sanctions and Other Appropriate Remedies under IRCP 37b for Failure to Comply with Discovery, Cummings' Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages, Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude Lenore Katri and Gregory Kelley, Northern Title's 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion in Limine with Request to File Over-Length Memorandum, Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider the July 5<sup>th</sup> Memorandum Decision

on Plaintiff's Motion to Exclude Northern Title's Expert and on Northern Title's Motion to Extend Disclosure Deadline for Expert Witnesses, Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider to Exclude Curtis Baum and for the Imposition of Appropriate Sanctions, Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine and Stephens' Motion in Limine.

The Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions & Other Appropriate Remedies under IRCP 37b for Failure to Comply with Discovery was argued by counsel. The Court DENIED the motion for sanctions. The Court will allow Evan Skinner and Jay Davis to be deposed within the next two weeks. The Court will not require Defendant Roger Stephens to be deposed by counsel for the Plaintiff.

The Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages was argued by counsel. The Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages was DENIED without prejudice.

The Defendant Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude Lenore Katri and Gregory Kelley was argued by counsel. The Court ruled that Gregory Kelley and Lenore Katri will not be allowed to testify as expert witnesses due to the late disclosure. The Court will allow Ms. Katri to testify as an escrow officer regarding her opinions if the proper foundation is given to qualify her as an expert witness.

The Defendant Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider was heard. The Court DENIED the Motion to Reconsider.

The Defendant Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider to Exclude Curtis Baum and for the Imposition of Appropriate Sanctions was argued by counsel. The Court DENIED the Motion to Reconsider to Exclude Curtis Baum and for the Imposition of Appropriate Sanctions. The Defendant Stephens' Motion in Limine shall be heard on July 30, 2012.

The Defendant Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine was argued. The Court will take this matter UNDER ADVISEMENT and issue a decision shortly.

The Plaintiff has requested a jury trial against the portion of the complaint involving Northern Title only. Counsel for the Defendant Roger Stephens requested a court trial be held their portion of the complaint. Counsel for the Plaintiff stated he is considering the entire matter being held as a court trial. Counsel for the Plaintiff is to advise the Court and opposing parties whether this matter shall be held as a court trial or jury trial by 5:00 pm on July 17, 2012.

The Court will take into consideration testimony that has been acquired prior to trial.

Any new testimony shall be by stipulation only. Any witness testimony to be admitted by deposition only shall be by stipulation.

Each party shall disclose their potential witnesses and exhibit lists no later than seven (7) days before trial. Copies of the exhibits shall be submitted to the Court in chambers no later than two (2) days before trial. During trial, each party shall disclose the witnesses to be testifying the day prior to their testimony. The trial will run from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm each day, with an hour for lunch and fifteen (15) minute breaks in the morning and afternoon. The trial is scheduled for three (3) to four (4) days.

Any motions in limine shall be heard on Monday, July 30, 2012 at 2:00 pm at the Bear Lake County courtroom.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

**DATED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012.

DAVID C. NYE Sixth District Judge

### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2012, I mailed/served a true copy of the foregoing document on the attorney(s) / person(s) listed below by mail with correct postage thereon or causing the same to be hand delivered.

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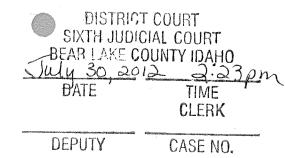
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This matter was set for motion hearing. The following motions were noticed up for hearing: Cummings' Motion to Reconsider Order to Exclude Plaintiff's Expert Gregory Kelley, Stephens' Motion in Limine and Northern Title's 3<sup>rd</sup> Motion in Limine.

Cummings' Motion to Reconsider Order to Exclude Plaintiff's Expert Gregory Kelley was argued by counsel. The Court DENIED the motion to reconsider.

Stephens' Motion in Limine and Northern Title's 3<sup>rd</sup> Motion in Limine were argued by MINUTE ENTRY AND ORDER 1

counsel. The Court will issue a ruling on these matters in the written decision following trial.

### IT IS SO ORDERED.

**DATED** this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012.

DAVID C. NYE Sixth District Judge

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I hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 2012, I mailed/served a true copy of the foregoing document on the attorney(s) / person(s) listed below by mail with correct postage thereon or causing the same to be hand delivered.

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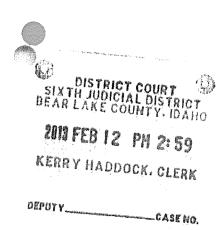
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Plaintiff,	)	
vs.	)	
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Defendants.	) ) )	

COMES NOW Defendant NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., (hereinafter "Northern Title"), by and through counsel, and pursuant to Rule 54 submits this Objection and Motion to Quash Plaintiff's Request for Costs and Attorney Fees.

## I. FROM THE OVERALL VIEW OF THE CASE, CUMMINGS WAS NOT THE PREVAILING PARTY.

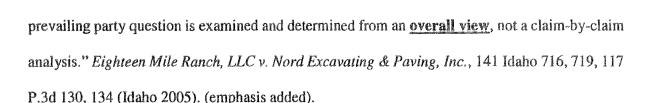
Under Rule 54, "the court must consider, among other things, the extent to which each party prevailed relative to the 'final judgment or result." *Puckett v. Verska*, 144 Idaho 161, 169, 158 P.3d 937, 945 (Idaho 2007). (citing *West Wood Invs., Inc. v. Acord*, 141 Idaho 75, 88, 106 P.3d 401, 414 (2005)). In regards to which party prevails, the Idaho Supreme Court explained "the

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Even though Northern Title is a Defendant, Northern Title was clearly the prevailing party. A defendant's successful defense is just as tangible as a plaintiff's success:

The district court improperly undervalued the [defendant's] successful defense. Avoiding liability is a significant benefit to a defendant. In baseball, it is said that a walk is as good as a hit. The latter, of course, is more exciting. In litigation, avoiding liability is as good for a defendant as winning a money judgment is for a plaintiff. The point is, while a plaintiff with a large money judgment may be more exalted than a defendant who simply walks out of court no worse for the wear, courts must not ignore the value of a successful defense.

Eighteen Mile Ranch, LLC, 141 Idaho at 719, 117 P.3d at 134.

Here, the case ultimately involved three parties, with Cummings as Plaintiff bringing his claims against Roger Stephens and Northern Title. Cummings failed to prevail as to any claims alleged against Stephens. See Minute Entry and Order, 5 (Aug. 3, 2012). As to Northern Title: Plaintiff failed to state a claim upon which relief could be granted for his breach of warranty and conversion claims; Plaintiff's negligence per se claims were barred by the specific terms of the Escrow General Provisions<sup>2</sup>; Plaintiff failed to prove Breach of Good Faith and Fair Dealing or Slander of Title where Northern Title acted in good faith<sup>3</sup>; Plaintiff's Breach of Insurance Policy Agreement claim failed for lack of privity<sup>4</sup>; and Plaintiff failed to prove damages on his Breach of the General Escrow Provisions claim and Infliction of Emotional Distress claim. See

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<sup>1</sup> See Northern Title's First Affirmative Defense.

<sup>2</sup> See Northern Title's Fifth Affirmative Defense.

<sup>3</sup> See Northern Title's Sixth Affirmative Defense.

<sup>4</sup> See Northern Title's Sixth and Eleventh and Twentieth Affirmative Defense. NORTHERN TITLE'S OBJECTION AND MOTION TO QUASH

Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, 48 (Jan. 22, 2013). Therefore, of the nine (9) causes of action brought against Northern Title, Northern Title prevailed on eight (8). See Minute Entry and Order, 5 (Aug. 3, 2012); see also Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, 48 (Jan. 22, 2013).

Plaintiff failed to prevail on all of his claims against Stephens, and on eight of his nine claims against Northern Title. Therefore, Plaintiff is not the prevailing parties, and under Rule 54 the Court should not award him costs and fees.

## II. PLAINTIFF HAS MISCONSTRUED THE COURT'S DECISION: HE FAILED TO PREVAIL ON THE "GRAVAMAN" AND "CORE" OF HIS CASE.

When proving a breach of contract, "[t]he plaintiff has the burden of production and persuasion throughout the trial." *Watkins Co. v. Storms*, 152 Idaho 531, 539, 272 P.3d 503, 511 (Idaho 2012). (citing *Schroeder v. Partin*, 151 Idaho 471, 476, 259 P.3d 617, 622 (2011)). (discussing duty of plaintiff to prove damages at breach of contract claim). Hence, the "burden is upon the plaintiff to prove not only that it was injured, but that its injury was the result of the defendant's breach; both amount and causation must be proven with reasonable certainty." *Griffith v. Clear Lakes Trout Co., Inc.*, 143 Idaho 733, 740, 152 P.3d 604, 611 (Idaho 2007). (citing *Magic Valley Truck Brokers, Inc. v. Meyer*, 133 Idaho 110, 116, 982 P.2d 945, 951 (Ct.App.1999). Similarly, a plaintiff must prove not only that a contract existed and that it was breached, but also that plaintiff has been damaged and the amount of the damages. See IDJI 6.10.1.

Cummings failed to prove the gravaman of his case. Cummings admits that the breach of the escrow agreement was "integral to Cummings' claims, or constitute[ed] the 'gravaman' of the lawsuit." Mem. of Auth. In Supp. of Pl's. Mem. of Fees & Costs Against Def. Northern Title, 4



(February 5, 2013). However, Cummings misconstrues the Court's order and final judgment. According to Cummings, he seeks fees and costs "for prevailing on his claims against defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc. (Northern Title) of breach of escrow contract, gross negligence and/or willful misconduct (as provided under the contract.)" *Id.* at 1-2. According to Cummings, he prevailed on the breach of contract claim, which was "his core claims." *Id.* at 5.

Cummings' interpretation does not comport with the *Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.* The Court found that an Escrow General Provision had been breached with gross negligence, but stated "[t]he Court is unsure as to how Cummings is damaged by Northern Title's breach of the escrow agreements," and ultimately never awarded any damages on the basis of the Escrow General Provisions. *Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law*, 40. Rather, the "only harm that the Court can conclude that is outside the realm of speculation is that Cummings has been proximately harmed by this negligence [of the erroneous legal description] in an amount of \$50,000." *Id.* at 42.

Similarly in *Harris, Inc. v. Foxhollow Construction & Trucking, Inc.*, the plaintiff had proven breach of the contract, but failed to prove damages. 151 Idaho 761, 769, 264 P.3d 400, 408 (Idaho 2011). ("the court found Harris' evidence too speculative to attribute any amount of damages"). The Idaho Supreme Court held "Harris' contract action against Johnson fails because Harris failed to prove up its claim for damages. The burden is upon the plaintiff to prove not only that he was injured but that its injury was the result of the defendant's breach; both amount and causation must be proven with reasonable certainty." *Id.* at 770. (quoting *Griffith*, 143 Idaho at 740, 152 P.3d at 611).



Just as in Harris, Plaintiff failed to prove with reasonable certainty that any damages were caused by the breach of the General Escrow Provisions. See *Memorandum Decision*, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, 40. Therefore, in reality Plaintiff failed to prove the very "gravaman" and "core" of his lawsuit that lasted for nearly four years.

At trial Plaintiff failed to produce or even persuade the Court that he had incurred damages in relationship to the very gravaman of his case. The Court should quash Plaintiff's request for costs and attorney fees.

## III. PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES ARE BARRED BY EXPRESS CONTRACT.

Under Rule 54, in "any civil action the court may award reasonable attorney fees . . . to the prevailing party . . . when provided for by any . . . contract." Idaho R. Civ. P. 54(e)(1).

As discussed *supra*, the only basis Cummings prevailed upon was his claim against Northern Title regarding the negligent preparation of the deed description. By contract however, Northern Title is not liable for attorney fees or costs respective to such a claim. The parties agreed:

The undersigned buyers and sellers hereby acknowledge that they have [chosen not to] have a survey completed on subject property. If not, the undersigned buyers and sellers affirm that the legal description on the closing documents of even date herewith is satisfactory, and the undersigned herein agree to hold NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO and the undersigned Real Estate Company harmless as to any dispute resulting from not having a survey done at the time of the transaction."



Escrow General Provisions, Exhibit 111, ¶ 14.5 The Court found the following, based on Cummings' reliance upon the erroneously drafted legal description:

Cummings was willing to pay an additional \$50,000 and purchase an assignment from the Baums in order to purchase that he believed was the entire Stephens ranch situated on both sides of the highway. This belief came based upon the negligent preparation of the legal description by Northern Title . . . [t]he only harm that the Court can conclude that is outside the realm of speculation is that Cummings has been proximately harmed by this negligence in an amount of \$50,000. (Jan. 22, 2013).

Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, 42. (emphasis added). Per the above contract provision however, Cummings waived and agreed to hold Northern Title harmless in respect to the contents of the legal description.

Furthermore, Cummings agreed to indemnify Northern Title on the very "gravaman" of Plaintiff's case:

If an action is brought involving this escrow and/or Escrow Agent, the parties agree to indemnify and hold the Escrow Agent, the parties agree to indemnify and hold the Escrow Agent harmless against liabilities, damages and costs incurred by Escrow Agent (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) except to the extent that such liabilities, damages and costs were caused by gross negligence or willful misconduct of Escrow Agent.

Escrow General Provisions, Exhibit 111, ¶ 17.6 As discussed supra, Plaintiff failed to prove causation or any amount of damages in regards to Northern Title's breach of the Escrow General Provisions. See Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, 40. Where Plaintiff failed to prove any damages, it cannot be said that the Escrow Agent incurred "liabilities, damages and costs . . . caused by gross negligence or willful misconduct of Escrow Agent." Id.

<sup>5</sup> Referring to Trial Exhibit 111.

<sup>6</sup> Notably, the "Escrow Agent" never agreed to indemnify Cummings.
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(emphasis added). Rather according to the Court, the sole "liabilities, damages and costs" incurred by Northern Title were <u>caused by</u> Northern Title's erroneous legal description. See *Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law*, 40. Therefore, Cummings's request for fees is barred, and indeed the contractual provisions indicate fees and costs are owed to Northern Title.

The Court should quash Plaintiff's request for attorney fees where he has contractually indemnified Northern Title against an erroneous legal description, and where Plaintiff has agreed to indemnify Northern Title in the absence of "liabilities, damages and costs" caused from the breach of contract.

IV. PLAINTIFF'S PERSONAL ATTACKS ARE WITHOUT MERIT, AS ARE HIS ATTEMPTS TO ATTRIBUTE ALL OF HIS COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES TO NORTHERN TITLE'S MOTIONS AGAINST PLAINTIFF.

Plaintiff's alleged costs and attorney fees cannot be isolated against Northern Title. First, Plaintiff strives to paint Northern Title in an incredulous light. As to the cancelled mediation, such was cancelled not by Northern Title, but by Exit Realty and the Realtors who were then parties yet refused to participate in mediation. See *Bearnson Dec. 6, 2011 Ltr.*, attached hereto as Exhibit "A." As to Mr. Brad Bearnson appearing as co-counsel for Roger Stephens, there was no "guise" in that process as Plaintiff alludes. Northern Title was not yet a party, and Roger Stephens accepted to having Mr. Bearnson as his co-counsel. See *Notice of Appearance of Co-Counsel* (filed Apr. 28, 2010). The Court should not be duped by Cummings' personal attacks.

Second, the Court should not be fooled by Plaintiff's attempt to attribute all of his costs and fees to Northern Title through repeated complaints regarding Northern Title's motion practice.

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Plaintiff filed his Complaint on July 28, 2009. (*Pl's. Compl.* July 28, 2009). Northern Title did not enter an appearance until over two years later. See *Appearance for Northern Title*, Oct. 6, 2011. Northern Title did not even file a motion against Plaintiff until over eight (8) months after Northern Title appeared. See Northern Title's *Request for Leave to Make Expert Disclosures* (filed June 12, 2012). By this time, Plaintiff had expended costs and attorney fees of forty-seven thousand, one hundred and sixty-seven dollars and twenty-six cents. (\$47,167.26). See *Pl's. Mem. of Costs & Atty. Fees & Aff'd. Nathan M. Olsen*, 2-12.

From Northern Title's first motion until the first day of trial, Plaintiff expended an additional forty thousand and thirty-one dollars and forty-five cents in attorney fees (\$40,031.45).

Id. at 12-17. Of that, <u>only</u> six thousand, two hundred and ninety-four dollars and thirty cents (\$6,294.30) was incurred<sup>7</sup> in direct relationship to motions by Northern Title:

06/06/2012	Receipt and review of Northern Title's "Request for Leave to Make Expert Disclosures"	\$350.00
06/18/2012	Receipt and review of Northern Title's Motion to Exclude Curtis Baum. Review prior correspondence. Draft correspondence to Northern Title's attorney.	\$385.00
06/18/2012	Receipt & review of Northern Title's objection to the depositions of Evan Skinner, Curtis Baum and Jay Davis.	\$315.00
06/21/2012	Receipt and review of Northern Title's 2 <sup>nd</sup> Motion in Limine.	\$787.50
06/25/2012	Working on Response in Opposition to Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum.	\$170.00
06/26/2012	Filing response in Opposition to Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum and Affidavit of NMO in Opposition with Court and Counsel	\$28.05

<sup>7</sup> Importantly, the Court found that Northern Title did not contest Plaintiff's claims unreasonably, with malice, or with bad-faith. See Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, 11-14, 21-31.



06/26/2012	Draft & revise response and affidavit to Northern Title's Motion to Exclude Deposition of Curtis Baum.	\$577.50
07/07/2012	Receipt & Review of Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine.	\$315.00
07/09/2012	Draft & revise Plaintiff's response and affidavit in opposition to Northern Title's motion to exclude Plaintiff's expert witnesses.	\$700.00
07/10/2012	Working on Response in Opposition to NT's Second Motion in Limine and supporting Affidavit; and Response in Opposition to NT's Motion to Exclude Lenore Katri and Greg Kelley and support Affidavit; mailing to court and Judge Nye and e-mailing to opposing counsel.	\$233.75
07/10/2012	Draft & revise response to Northern Title's Motion to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum.	\$262.50
07/10/2012	Draft & revise response and affidavit in opposition to Northern Title's 2nd Motion in Limine.	\$612.50
07/11/2012	Receipt & review of Northern Title's Motion for Reconsideration of Decision to exclude expert witnesses.	\$192.50
07/14/2012	Receipt & review of Northern Title's Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions (regarding objection to continuing depositions of Evan Skinner & Jay Davis), reply memorandums for Northern Title's 2nd Motion in Limine, and its motion to exclude Plaintiff's expert witnesses.	\$875.00
07/23/2012	Draft & revise response to Northern Title's 3rd Motion in Limine.	\$490

Pl's. Mem. of Costs & Atty. Fees & Aff'd. Nathan M. Olsen, 12-17.8

When trial came, Plaintiff's case in chief against both Northern Title and Stephens was substantially longer than Northern Title's case in chief.<sup>9</sup> Plaintiff none the less failed to prove any

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<sup>8</sup> Notably, while Cummings expended much time and effort to retain the admissibility of Baum's testimony, he never introduced any testimony of Baum at trial. Additionally, while Northern Title provided a motion to reconsider the Court's exclusion of Northern Title's expert, Cummings did the exact same thing as to his own experts, and failed. See Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider (filed July 24, 2012). NORTHERN TITLE'S OBJECTION AND MOTION TO QUASH PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES

claims against Stephens, and failed to muster sufficient evidence on eight of the nine claims against Northern Title.

Over the span of this case, numerous parties have been involved, including Plaintiff,

Defendant Stephens, Exit Realty, the Realtors, and Northern Title. The Court should disregard

Plaintiff's personal attacks and unsubstantiated attempt to attribute all costs and attorney fees to

Northern Title.

V. PLAINTIFF AND HIS COUNSEL VOLUNTARILY UNDERTOOK THE RISK OF A CONTINGENCY ARRANGEMENT; PLAINTIFF'S FAILURE TO PROVE HIS CASE SHOULD NOT SHIFT THAT RISK UPON NORTHERN TITLE.

Under Rule 54, the Court has several factors as a guide in determining the amount of any fee award. See Idaho R. Civ. P. 54(e)(3)(A)-(L). While the Court is required to address each factor, a few factors will be addressed herein. See *Mihalka v. Shephard*, 145 Idaho 547, 181 P.3d 473 (Idaho 2008).

First, Cummings suit was litigated on a contingency fee. See Idaho R. Civ. P. 54(e)(3)(E). According to an unsupported allegation, "Cummings' fee agreement requires him to pay the greater of 33% of awarded damages or fees in the case." *Mem. of Auth. in Supp. of Pl's. Mem. of Fees and Costs Against Def. Northern Title*, 8 (Feb. 5, 2013). A contingency fee arrangement is a clear exception to the rule that an attorney or firm shall not have a direct financial share in the subject of the litigation. See IRPC 1.5(d), cmt. 4. As the Idaho Supreme Court explains, the "usual justification" for contingency fees is the risk of non-recovery. *Griffith v. Clear Lakes Trout Co., Inc.*, 146 Idaho 613, 624-625, 200 P.3d 1162, 1173-1174 (Idaho 2009). At times, the risk

<sup>9</sup> See Trial Transcript (of the 851 pages total, 716 pages comprise Plaintiff's case in chief, 49 pages comprise motions for directed verdict, and Northern Title took less than 86 pages to present its case-in chief).

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results in a loss. Cummings and his attorney voluntarily elected to take upon themselves the risk of a contingency fee arrangement. Ultimately, Cummings' claims substantially failed. To now disregard that contractually volunteered risk, and impose such upon Northern Title, counters the very policies justifying contingency fee arrangements.

Second, the Court should consider the "time and labor required." Idaho R. Civ. P. 54(e)(3)(A). Plaintiff has submitted alleged costs and attorney fees spanning from April 3, 2008 to February 4, 2013, many of which were ultimately not required. See *Mem. of Auth. in Supp. of Pl's. Mem. of Fees and Costs Against Def. Northern Title*, 2-19 (Feb. 5, 2013). For example, Plaintiff allegedly incurred: costs and fees for his expert Kelley, who was excluded from trial "multiple over-night stays in Salt Lake City to track down an elusive witness who nonetheless refused to testify and was not called to testify"; and costs of \$1,041.28 given to Curtis Baum as "witness expenses."

Finally, the Court should consider the "amount involved and the results obtained." Idaho R. Civ. P. 54(e)(3)(G). The amounts of attorney fees involved between all the parties, and Plaintiff's near four-year litigation, amount to well over three hundred thousand dollars. (\$300,000.00). See Pl's. Mem. of Costs & Atty. Fees & Aff'd. Nathan M. Olsen; see also Northern Title's Memorandum of Fees and Costs; see also Stephen's Motion for Order Awarding Attorney Fees and Costs. Notwithstanding, Plaintiff was able to prove recovery of only fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) on the basis of one negligence claim. The liability Plaintiff was able to

<sup>10</sup> Costs and attorney fees for Kelley appear to come to somewhere near \$6,530.38, wherein "Kelley" is referred to in Plaintiff's Memorandum of Costs and Attorney's Fees and Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen.

<sup>11</sup> See Plaintiff's Memorandum of Costs and Attorney's Fees and Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen, 3-4, coming to \$1,669.10

<sup>12</sup> See Plaintiff's Memorandum of Costs and Attorney's Fees and Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen, 2. NORTHERN TITLE'S OBJECTION AND MOTION TO QUASH PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES Case No. CV-09-183

prove, compared to the large aggregate of costs and attorney fees, reveals the inequitable nature of Plaintiff's request for fees and costs.

Plaintiff voluntarily undertook the risk of a contingency arrangement and has failed to prove damages of even one-sixth the amount of the aggregate litigation costs and fees. The Court should not award Plaintiff any costs or attorney fees.

CONCLUSION

First, Rule 54 allows for the award of attorney fees to the "prevailing party." I.R.C.P. 54. However, Plaintiff failed to prove or persuade the Court that he had incurred any damages in connection with the "gravaman" of his lawsuit, and therefore did not prevail on the "core" of his claims. See *Harris, Inc.*, 151 Idaho at 770. Additionally, all of Cummings' claims against Stephens were dismissed, and of the nine (9) claims brought against Northern Title, the Plaintiff failed to prevail as to eight (8). Therefore, Plaintiff was not the prevailing party and the Court should quash his request.

Second, Plaintiff contractually waived and indemnified "Northern Title" against an erroneous legal description, and under circumstances where the "Escrow Agent" did not incur "liabilities, damages and costs" caused by the breach of the General Escrow Provisions. Here, the sole causation and amount of damages proven against Northern Title was on the basis of the erroneous legal description. Therefore, contract bars Plaintiff's request for costs fees.

Finally, the Court should disregard Plaintiff's personal attacks against Northern Title, and even Northern Title's counsel. Northern Title's motion practice, while vigorous, was always based upon a good faith legal argument matched with a good faith interpretation of the facts.

Plaintiff's memorandum of costs makes clear that Northern Title's motion practice is not the

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culprit for Plaintiff's extensive fees and costs. Rather, Plaintiff pursued an action for nearly four years, that in the end proved damages that did not amount to one-sixth (1/6) of aggregate litigation costs. Under such circumstances, an award of fees and costs to Plaintiff would be inequitable.

DATED this 12th day of February, 2013.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 12th day of February, 2013, I served a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing NORTHERN TITLE'S OBJECTION AND MOTION TO QUASH PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES to the following person(s) as follows:

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# EXHIBIT "A"

NT Objection



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December 6, 2011

Honorable Stephen S. Dunn District Judge Bannock County Courthouse Pocatello, Idaho 83201

Re: Cummings v. Stephens, et al., Case No. CV-2009-183

Dear Judge Dunn:

Again, thank you for your willingness in mediating the above referenced matter. As you may remember, the matter is pending before Judge Nye of Bear Lake County.

As indicated in Randall Budge's letter of October 20, 2011, several procedural matters needed to be addressed prior to bringing the case to mediation. On October 6, 2011, Defendants Stephens and Northern Title had amended their Answer to include third-party complaints against Dorothy Julian, Evan Skinner, Ryan Olsen and Exit Realty of Bear Lake. Julian and Skinner are the chief realtors who assisted Plaintiff Cummings in the disputed property sale. Exit Realty of Bear Lake (hereafter "Exit Realty") is the realty company of which Julian and Skinner were agents. Ryan Olsen was the registered broker of Exit Realty.

In the eyes of Stephens and Northern Title, the above mentioned third party defendants are critical in the correct assignment of any alleged liability. One of the chief goals in the upcoming mediation was to bring all potentially responsible parties together. See *Ltr. Randall C. Budge*, ¶ 9 (Oct. 6, 2011). While Skinner, Olsen and Exit Realty have been served, their counsel have refused, at this time, to participate in the upcoming mediation.

Given third party defendants' refusal to participate, the utility of the upcoming mediation, as it stands, is questionable. For these reasons, we believe postponement of the January 13, 2011, mediation is necessary until the participation of all parties is assured. The exact date of postponement is unknown at this time.

We understand this news comes at an inconvenience, but we desire our client's time, and your efforts, to be as productive as possible. We intend to correspond with counsel for third-party defendants to establish a concrete mediation date in the future. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Yours truly,

BEARNSON & CALDWELL, LAC

Coc. Brad H. Bearnson

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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BEAR LAKE

STEVEN CUMMINGS, an individual	)	
residing in Montana,	)	Case No. CV-2009-183
	)	
Plaintiff, Appellant and	)	
Cross-Respondent,	)	
VS.	)	
	)	
ROGER L. STEPHENS, an individual	)	NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF
residing in Providence, Utah,	)	IDAHO, INC.'S REQUEST FOR
NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF	)	ADDITIONS TO THE CLERK'S
IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation,	)	RECORD
JOHN DOES I-X.	)	
	)	
Defendants, Respondent and	)	
Cross-Appellant	)	
	)	

COMES NOW Defendant, NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., by and through counsel of Bearnson and Caldwell, LLC, and pursuant to Rule 29 of the Idaho Rules of Appellate Procedure hereby requests the following additions be made to the Clerk's Record.

Exclusion of Experts. On May 13, 2013, Plaintiff/Appellant filed his Notice of Amended Appeal, stating for the first time his intent to raise the issue of whether the District Court erred in excluding his appraisal expert. See Notice of Amended Appeal, ¶ 3(D). In raising this issue, Plaintiff has elected to include the pleadings only relevant to the exclusion of his expert. However, the Court of Appeals would be misled if only that information were before it.

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Specifically, Northern Title moved to exclude Plaintiff's expert appraiser, especially where Plaintiff had just moved and successfully excluded Northern Title's expert appraiser for the very same reason. The Court was patently aware of these circumstances, soundly reasoning "[i]t seems to me . . . if I'm going to exclude their expert, that I exclude your expert. Because he wasn't timely . . . ." Reporter's TT, Vol. 2, 1132:4-6. Those circumstances should be open to the Court of Appeals. Therefore, Northern Title respectfully requests that those pleadings identified

Fees and Costs. As set forth in their Amended Notice of Cross-Appeal, Northern Title stated its intent to raise the issue of whether "the Court erred in its assessment of costs and attorney fees against Northern Title." Northern Title Amended Notice of Cross-Appeal, ¶ 3(d). On review of the Clerk's Record, it appears that a pleading was inadvertently omitted. Therefore, Northern Title respectfully requests that those pleadings identified in the attached Exhibit "A" be added to the Clerk's Record.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2013, I served a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing NORTHERN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONS TO THE CLERK'S RECORD to the following person(s) as follows:

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# EXHIBIT "A"



#### Case Number Result Page

#### Bear Lake

#### 1 Cases Found.

Steven Cummings vs. Roger L Stephens, etal.

Case: CV-2009-0000183 District Filed: 07/29/2009 Subtype: Other Claims

Judge: C Nye

Closed Status: pending

clerk action 04/04/2013

Defendants: Does, John I - X Exit Realty of Bear Lake Julian, Dorothy S Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc Olsen, Ryan L. Skinner, Evan E Stephens, Roger L

Plaintiffs: Cummings, Steven

Disposition: Date

Judgment Disposition Disposition Parties

Туре Date Type

In Favor Of

05/11/2010 Dismissal

W/out Prej

Stephens,

Dismissed Roger L

(Defendant), Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc (Defendant)

Third Party Plaintiff, Roger Stephens complaint

Comment:

against Third Party Defendant, Northern Title,

dismissed w/o prejudice

07/03/2012 Dismissal

W/out Prej

Stephens,

Dismissed. Roger L

(Defendant), Skinner, Evan E (Defendant), Olsen, Ryan L. (Defendant), Exit Realty of Bear Lake (Defendant)

Comment:

Stephens' Third Party Complaint against Exit Realty, Evan Skinner and Ryan Olson dismissed

07/10/2012 Dismissal

Stephens,

W/out Prej

Roger L (Defendant),

Julian, Dorothy S (Defendant)

Comment:

Stephens' Notice of Voluntary Dismissal of 3rd

party defendant Dorothy Julian

08/03/2012 Dismissal

Prej

Stephens, W/out

Roger L (Defendant),

Cummings, Steven (Plaintiff)

Comment:

Amended complaint dismissed against Roger

Stephens only

01/22/2013 Money

Stephens,

Defendant

Dismissed

Dismissed

Judgment

Roger L (Defendant), Cummings, Steven (Plaintiff)

01/22/2013 Money

Northern Title Plaintiff

Judgment

Company of Idaho, Inc (Defendant), Cummings, Steven (Plaintiff)

NT Req Additions



Comment:

\$50,000.00

04/12/2013 Money

Northern Title Plaintiff Company of

Judgment

Idaho, Inc (Defendant), Cummings, Steven (Plaintiff)

Comment:

\$112,448.09 costs and attorney fees

04/12/2013 Money

Money Stephens, Judgment Roger L

Roger L (Defendant Defendant

(Defendant), Cummings, Steven (Plaintiff)

Comment:

\$116,754.62 costs and attorney fees

Register Date

of

actions:

07/29/2009 New Case Filed - Other Claims

Filing: A - All initial civil case filings of any type not listed in

07/29/2009 categories B-H, or the other A listings below Paid by: Beard St. Clair Gaffney Receipt number: 0053038 Dated: 7/29/2009 Amount: \$88.00 (Check) For: Cummings, Steven (plaintiff)

07/29/2009 Plaintiff: Cummings, Steven Appearance Nathan M Olsen

07/29/2009 Complaint Filed

07/29/2009 Summons Issued

01/20/2010 Defendant: Stephens, Roger L Appearance Randall C. Budge Filing: I1 - Initial Appearance by persons other than the

plaintiff or petitioner Paid by: Budge, Randall C. (attorney for 01/20/2010 Stephens, Roger L) Receipt number: 0000132 Dated:

1/20/2010 Amount: \$58.00 (Check) For: Stephens, Roger L (defendant)

01/20/2010 Notice Of Appearance

01/26/2010 Summons Returned

03/12/2010 Notice Of Intent To Take Default

Filing: K4 - Cross Claim (defendant v defendant or plaintiff v. plaintiff) This fee is in addition to any fee filed as a plaintiff to

03/18/2010 initiate the case or as a defendant appearing in the case Paid by: Budge, Randall C. (attorney for Stephens, Roger L)

Receipt number: 0000548 Dated: 3/18/2010 Amount: \$14.00

(Check) For: Cummings, Steven (plaintiff)

03/18/2010 Answer and Third Party Complaint

03/18/2010 Summons Issued

03/25/2010 Acceptance Of Service

03/26/2010 Motion For Disqualification

03/29/2010 Order Granting Disqualification

03/29/2010 Order of Reference

04/22/2010 Administrative Order of reference

04/22/2010 Change Assigned Judge

04/28/2010 Notice of Appearance of Co-Counsel

04/28/2010 Defendant: Stephens, Roger L Appearance Brad H Bearnson

Filing: I1 - Initial Appearance by persons other than the plaintiff or petitioner Paid by: Budge, Randall C. (attorney for

04/28/2010 Stephens, Roger L) Receipt number: 0000874 Dated:
4/28/2010 Amount: \$58.00 (Check) For: Stephens, Roger I

4/28/2010 Amount: \$58.00 (Check) For: Stephens, Roger L (defendant)

04/29/2010 Order For Submission of Information for Scheduling Order

05/11/2010 Notice of Voluntary Dismissal/third party complaint w/o prejudice



Civil Disposition entered for: Northern Title Company of 05/11/2010 Idaho, Inc, Defendant; Stephens, Roger L, Defendant. Filing date: 5/11/2010

05/13/2010 Hearing Scheduled (Motion for Summary Judgment 06/18/2010 01:30 PM)

05/21/2010 Joint Statement of Pretrial Information

06/01/2010 Hearing Scheduled (Court Trial 02/23/2011 09:00 AM)

06/01/2010 Hearing Scheduled (Court Trial 06/15/2011 09:00 AM)

06/08/2010 Continued (Motion for Summary Judgment 08/10/2010 01:30 PM)

06/08/2010 Notice of Deposition of Steven Cummings Duces Tecum

 $06/08/2010 \stackrel{\text{Scheduling Order, Notice of Trial Setting and Initial Pretrial Order}{}$ 

06/25/2010 Notice Of Service

 $07/16/2010 \stackrel{\hbox{Amended Notice of Deposition of Steven Cummings Duces}}{\mathsf{Tecum}}$ 

07/20/2010 Continued (Motion for Summary Judgment 09/03/2010 01:00 PM)

07/27/2010 Notice of Service

08/06/2010 Motion for Summary Judgment

08/06/2010 Memorandum in support of Motion for Summary Judgment

08/06/2010 Affidavit of Steven Cummings

08/06/2010 Notice Of Hearing

08/12/2010 Continued (Motion for Summary Judgment 10/20/2010 10:00

08/13/2010 Rule 56(f) Motion

08/13/2010 Rule 56(f) Affidavit

08/25/2010 Second Amended Notice of Deposition of Steven Cummings Duces Tecum

08/31/2010 Amended Notice Of Hearing

09/01/2010 Joint Stipulation Re: Defendant Roger L. Stephens's Rules 56(f) Motion

09/01/2010 Rule 56(f) Order

09/22/2010 Notice of Hearing

09/22/2010 Motion For Summary Judgment

09/22/2010 Memorandum In Support of Motion for Summary Judgment

09/22/2010 Affidavit of Roger L Stephens

09/22/2010 Affidavit of Lori Thornock

09/22/2010 Affidavit of Dorothy Julian

09/22/2010 Affidavit of Evan Skinner

09/30/2010 Notice of Taking Deposition of Dorothy Julian

10/13/2010 Defendant's Response To Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment

Plaintiff's Response in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for 10/14/2010 Summary Judgment

10/14/2010 Affidavit of nathan M. Olsen

10/14/2010 Plaintiff's Motion to Amend Pursuant to I.R. C.P. 15 (b)

10/14/2010 Notice of Hearing

10/14/2010 Plaintiff's Motion to shorten Time

10/14/2010 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 10/20/2010 10:00 AM) Motion to Amend Pursuant to IRCP 15(b)

10/15/2010 Affidavit of Randall C. Budge

10/18/2010 Affidavit of Randall C. Budge

10/18/2010 Defendant's Reply Memorandum in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment

10/18/2010 Plaintiff's reply to Defendants' Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment



Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion for Summary Judgment Hearing date: 10/19/2010 Time: 10:42 am Courtroom: Court

10/19/2010 reporter: Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen, counsel for Plaintiff Randall Budge, counsel for Defendant

10/19/2010 Order Shortening Time

10/20/2010 Motion Denied/Motion to Amend Pursuant to IRCP15(b) Hearing result for Motion held on 10/20/2010 10:00 AM:

10/20/2010 District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Motion to Amend Pursuant to IRCP 15(b)

Hearing result for Motion for Summary Judgment held on 10/20/2010 10:00 AM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter:Stephanie Morse Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated:

10/20/2010 Minute Entry & Order

11/01/2010 Plaintiff's Expert Witness Disclosures

01/04/2011 Decision On Motion for Summary Judgment

01/18/2011 Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider

01/18/2011 Plaintiff's Motion To Continue trial Setting

01/28/2011 Motion for Order Awarding Attorney's Fees and Costs

01/28/2011 Memorandum of Fees and Costs

01/28/2011 Affidavit of Randall C. Budge in Support of Fees and Costs

01/28/2011 Affidavit of Brad H. Bearnson in Support of Fees and Costs

02/01/2011 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/23/2011 01:00 PM) Motion to Reconsider

02/02/2011 Notice Of Hearing

02/02/2011 Plaintiff's Memorandum in Support of Its Motion to Reconsider

02/02/2011 Affidavit of counsel in Support of Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider

02/02/2011 Hearing result for Court Trial held on 02/23/2011 09:00 AM: Hearing Vacated 1st setting

02/02/2011 Hearing result for Court Trial held on 06/15/2011 09:00 AM: Hearing Vacated 2nd setting

02/09/2011 Plaintiff's Motion To Disallow Defendant's Attorneys Fees and Costs

02/09/2011 Plaintiff's Motion To Object to Defendant's Proposed Judgment

02/16/2011 Amended Notice of Hearing

02/16/2011 Continued (Motion 03/17/2011 01:00 PM) Motion to Reconsider

Hearing Scheduled (Hearing Scheduled 03/17/2011 01:00 PM)

02/18/2011 objection to Defendant's Motion for Order Awarding Atty's Fees

02/22/2011 Notice of Change of Counsel/Address

02/23/2011 Plaintiff's Memorandum in Support of Motion to Disallow Defendant's Claim for Attorney Fees and Costs

03/03/2011 Motion to strike Affidavit of Counsel

03/03/2011 Memorandum In Support of Motion to Strike Affidavit of Counsel

03/03/2011 Affidavit of Randall C Budge

03/03/2011 Notice of Hearing

03/03/2011 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 03/17/2011 01:00 PM) Motion to Strike Affidavit of Counsel

03/09/2011 Defendant's Response To Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider

03/09/2011 Plaintiff's Memorandum in Opposition ot Defendant's Motion to Strike Affidavit of Counsel

03/09/2011 Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen

03/09/2011 Affidavit of Lori Thornock



03/10/2011 Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Motion to Disallow Fees and Costs

Court Minutes Hearing type: Hearing Scheduled Hearing date:

03/11/2011 3/11/2011 Time: 1:30 pm Courtroom: Court reporter: Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen Randall Budge Brad Bearnson

Defendant's Reply Memorandum in Support of Motion to 03/15/2011 Strike Affidavit of Counsel and Motion to Strike Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen

Hearing result for Hearing Scheduled held on 03/17/2011 01:00 PM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter:none

03/17/2011 Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: objection to Defendant's Motion for Order Awarding Atty's Fees

Hearing result for Motion held on 03/17/2011 01:00 PM:
03/17/2011 District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter:none Number of
Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Motion to
Reconsider

Hearing result for Motion held on 03/17/2011 01:00 PM:
District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter:Stephanie Morse
Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Motion

03/17/2011 Minute Entry & Order

03/30/2011 Notice of Unavailable Dates

04/13/2011 Notice Of Service

04/19/2011 Stipulation For Substitution of Counsel

to Strike Affidavit of Counsel

05/10/2011 Hearing Scheduled (Court Trial 12/21/2011 09:00 AM)

05/11/2011 Order Setting Court Trial

05/16/2011 Notice of taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Roger L Stephens

05/16/2011 Notice of taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Evan Skinner

05/16/2011 Notice of taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Edward Stephens

05/16/2011 Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Lori Thornock

05/16/2011 Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Jay Davis

06/10/2011 Hearing Scheduled (Hearing Scheduled 07/14/2011 02:00 PM)

06/30/2011 Notice of hearing

06/30/2011 Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint

06/30/2011 Brief In Support of Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint

07/08/2011 Motion For Continuance of Hearing

Hearing result for Hearing Scheduled scheduled on

07/14/2011 07/14/2011 02:00 PM: Continued Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint

08/02/2011 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 09/09/2011 01:30 PM) Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File 1st Amended Complaint

08/02/2011 Notice Of Hearing

08/03/2011 Disclosure of Witnesses/Plaintiff

08/04/2011 Defendant's Witness Disclosure

08/26/2011 Motion to Vacate Trial Setting

08/26/2011 Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Support of Motion to Vacate Trial Setting

08/26/2011 Notice Of Hearing

08/26/2011 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 09/09/2011 01:30 PM) Motion to Vacate Trial Setting

09/01/2011 Stipulation and Notice of Conference Call Hearing

09/01/2011 Memorandum in Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint

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Reply to Stephens' Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to 09/07/2011 File First Amended Complaint and Motion to Vacate Trial Setting

Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion Hearing date: 9/8/2011

Time: 10:15 am Courtroom: Court reporter: none Minutes
09/08/2011 Clerk: Karen Volkrecht Tane Number: Nathan M. Olsen

09/08/2011 Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan M. Olsen, counsel for Plaintiff Randall C. Budge, local counsel for Defendant Brad Bearnson, counsel for Defendant

Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 09/09/2011 01:30 PM:
09/09/2011 District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter:Stephanie Morse
Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated:
Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File 1st Amended Complaint

09/09/2011 Minute Entry & Order

09/09/2011 Hearing result for Court Trial scheduled on 12/21/2011 09:00 AM: Hearing Vacated

09/13/2011 First Amended Complaint Filed

10/06/2011 Defendant: Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc Appearance Brad H Bearnson

Filing: I1 - Initial Appearance by persons other than the plaintiff or petitioner Paid by: Bearnson, Brad H (attorney for

10/06/2011 Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc) Receipt number: 0002257 Dated: 10/6/2011 Amount: \$58.00 (Check) For: Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc (defendant)

Filing: K3 - Third party complaint - This fee is in addition to any fee filed as a plaintiff initiating the case or as a defendant appearing in the case. Paid by: Bearnson, Brad H (attorney for

Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc) Receipt number:

0002258 Dated: 10/6/2011 Amount: \$14.00 (Check) For:
Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc (defendant)

 $10/06/2011 \begin{tabular}{ll} Defendant Northern Title's Answer To Plaintiff's First Amended \\ Complaint \& Third Party Complaint \\ \end{tabular}$ 

10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Dorothy Julian

10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Evan Skinner

10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Ryan Olsen

10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Exit Realty of Bear Lake

10/06/2011 Defendant Roger L. Stephens's Answer to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint & Third Party-Complaint

10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Ryan Olsen

10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Exit Realty of Bear Lake

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10/06/2011 Summons Issued/Evan Skinner

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appearing in the case. Paid by: Budge, Randall C. (attorney for Stephens, Roger L) Receipt number: 0002265 Dated: 10/7/2011 Amount: \$14.00 (Check) For: Stephens, Roger L (defendant)

10/24/2011 Stipulation for Leave to File a Substitute or Second Amended Complaint

10/24/2011 Second Amended Complaint Filed

10/27/2011 Sheriff's Return of Service/Exit Realty

10/27/2011 Sheriff's Return of Service/Ryan Olsen

11/02/2011 Stephens' Answer to Cummings' Second Amended Complaint and Stephens' Third Party Complaint

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11/02/2011 appearing in the case. Paid by: Budge, Randall C. (attorney for Stephens, Roger L) Receipt number: 0002444 Dated: 11/2/2011 Amount: \$14.00 (Check) For: Cummings, Steven (plaintiff)



Filing: I1 - Initial Appearance by persons other than the 11/08/2011 plaintiff or petitioner Paid by: Olsen, Ryan L. (defendant) Receipt number: 0002503 Dated: 11/8/2011 Amount: \$58.00 (Check) For: Olsen, Ryan L. (defendant) 11/08/2011 Defendant's Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint 11/08/2011 Affidavit Of Service 11/09/2011 Sheriff's Return of Service/Ryan Olson 11/09/2011 Sheriff's Return of Service/Evan Skinner 11/09/2011 Sheriff's Return of Service/Ryan Olson for Roger Stephens Defendant Northern Title's Answer to Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint & Third Party-Complaint Filing: K3 - Third party complaint - This fee is in addition to any fee filed as a plaintiff initiating the case or as a defendant 11/14/2011 appearing in the case. Paid by: Bearnson, Brad H (attorney for Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc) Receipt number: 0002551 Dated: 11/14/2011 Amount: \$14.00 (Check) For: Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc (defendant)  $11/14/2011 \begin{array}{l} {\rm Sheriff's\ Return\ of\ Service/Evan\ Skinner/Complaint\ \&\ Summons} \end{array}$ Filing: I1 - Initial Appearance by persons other than the plaintiff or petitioner Paid by: Collaer, Phillip John (attorney 11/22/2011 for Skinner, Evan E) Receipt number: 0002625 Dated: 11/22/2011 Amount: \$58.00 (Credit card) For: Skinner, Evan E (other party) Filing: Technology Cost - CC Paid by: Collaer, Phillip John 11/22/2011 (attorney for Skinner, Evan E) Receipt number: 0002625 Dated: 11/22/2011 Amount: \$3.00 (Credit card) For: Skinner, Evan E (other party) 11/22/2011 Defendant: Skinner, Evan E Appearance Phillip John Collaer 11/22/2011 Notice Of Appearance 11/29/2011 Acceptance Of Service 11/30/2011 Answer and Demand for Jury Trial 01/10/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Status 01/27/2012 09:30 AM) 01/11/2012 Notice of Hearing Defendant Northern Title's Stipulated Motion to Appear by 01/24/2012 Telephone Order Granting Defendant Northern Title's Stipulated Motion 01/26/2012 Order Granking 2 - to Appear by Telephone Hearing result for Status scheduled on 01/27/2012 09:30 AM: 01/27/2012 District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: none Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: 01/27/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Motion for Summary Judgment 03/30/2012 10:00 AM) 01/27/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Jury Trial 07/31/2012 09:00 AM) 01/27/2012 Minute Entry & Order 01/27/2012 Order Setting Jury Trial 02/01/2012 Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment 02/01/2012 Affidavit of Evan Skinner in Support of Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment Affidavit of Ryan Olsen in Support of Third Party Defendants' 02/01/2012 Motion for Summary Judgment Affidavit of Dorothy Julian in Support of Third Party 02/01/2012 Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment 02/01/2012 Memorandum in Support of Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment 02/01/2012 Notice Of Hearing Miscellaneous Payment: For Making Copy Of Any File Or Record By The Clerk, Per Page Paid by: Jeannine Siragusa Receipt number: 0000299 Dated: 2/10/2012 Amount: \$118.00 (Credit card)



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02/10/2012	Jeannine Siragusa Receipt number: 0000299 Dated:
	2/10/2012 Amount: \$3.00 (Credit card)
03/06/2012	Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission
03/12/2012	Notice of Taking Deposition of Philip Baum

- $03/13/2012 \begin{array}{l} {\sf Stephens' \ Amended \ Witness \ Disclosure \ and \ third \ Party} \\ {\sf Plaintiff \ Witness \ Disclosure} \end{array}$
- 03/13/2012 Order Granting Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission
- 03/13/2012 Plaintiff's Supplemental Disclosure of Witnesses

03/12/2012 Notice of Taking Deposition of Curtis Baum

- 03/15/2012 Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc.'s Amended Witness Disclosure and Third Party Plaintiff Witness Disclosure
- $03/19/2012 \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Plaintfiff's Response To Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment} \end{array}$
- 03/19/2012 Affidavit of nathan M. Olsen Supporting Plaintiff's Response to Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment
- 03/19/2012 Northern Title's Memorandum in Opposition to Third-Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment
- 03/22/2012 Reply Memorandum in Support of Third-Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment
- 03/23/2012 Request to Appear Telephonically at Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment Hearing
- 03/26/2012 Reply Memorandum in Support of Third-Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment
- Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion for Summary Judgment 03/29/2012 Hearing date: 3/29/2012 Time: 10:19 am Courtroom: Court reporter: Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number:
- 03/29/2012 Defendant: Olsen, Ryan L. Appearance Phillip John Collaer
- 03/29/2012 Defendant: Julian, Dorothy S Appearance Brian K Julian
- 03/29/2012 Defendant: Exit Realty of Bear Lake Appearance Phillip John
  - Hearing result for Jury Trial scheduled on 07/31/2012 09:00
- 03/30/2012 AM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie
  Morse Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated:
- 03/30/2012 Minute Entry & Order
  - Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/03/2012 10:00 AM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter:Stephanie Morse
- 03/30/2012 Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Stephens' Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer to Cummings' Second Amended Complaint
- Hearing result for Motion for Summary Judgment scheduled on 03/30/2012 10:00 AM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated:
- 04/12/2012 Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Philip Baum
- 04/13/2012 Second Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Philip Baum
- 04/23/2012 Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Curtis Baum
- 04/23/2012 Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Philip Baum
- 05/01/2012 Memorandum Decision on Third Party Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment Against Northern Title
- 05/03/2012 Plaintiff's Motion For Partial Summary Judgment
- 05/03/2012 Plaintiff's Memorandum in Support of Partial Summary Judgment
- 05/03/2012 Affidavit of Nathan M Olsen
- 05/03/2012 Affidavit of Steven B Cummings
- 05/03/2012 Notice of Service
- 05/03/2012 Notice of Audio-Visual Deposition of Roger L Stephens To Preserve Trial Testimony
- 05/04/2012 Subpoena and Subpoena Duces Tecum of Philip Baum/AffidavIt of Service

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05/04/201	Notice of Audio-Visual Deposition of Roger L. Stephens to Preserve Trial Testimony
05/07/2013	2 Notice Of Hearing
05/07/2011	Hearing Scheduled (Motion for Partial Summary Judgment 06/11/2012 03:00 PM)
	2 Notice of Taking Deposition of Lenore Katri
05/11/2012	2 Notice of Taking Deposition of Gregory Kelley
05/11/2012	2 Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Lenore Katri
05/11/2012	2 Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Gregory Kelley
05/18/2012	2 Second Amended Notice of Taking Depositon of Curtis Baum
05/29/2012	Affidavit Of Service/Second Amended Subpoena and Subpoena Duces Tecum of Curtis Baum
05/29/2012	Northern Title's Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment
06/04/2012	Plaintiff's Reply to Northern Title's Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment
06/06/2012	Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Hearing date: 6/6/2012 Time: 3:00 pm Courtroom: Court reporter: Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen, counsel for Steven Cummings Randall Budge, counsel for Roger Stephens Brad Bearnson, counsel for Northern Title Phillip Collaer, counsel for Dorothy Julian, Evan Skinner, Ryan Olsen & Exit Realty
	Certificate Of Mailing of Service of Defendant Northern Title's response to Interrogatories and Requests for Production fo Documents
06/08/2012	Notice of (Telephonic) Hearing Re Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation For Dismissal
06/08/2012	Affidavit Of Phillip J Collaer In Support of Defendant Exit Realty's Motion for Court Approval Of Stipulation For Dismissal Of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
06/08/2012	Memorandum In Support of Defendant Exit Realty's Motion for Court Approval fo Stipulation For Dismissal Of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
06/08/2012	Defendant Exit Realty's Motion For Court Approval of Stipulation For Dismissal Of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
	Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Roger L Stephens
06/11/2012	Hearing result for Motion for Partial Summary Judgment scheduled on 06/11/2012 03:00 PM: Hearing Held
	Minute Entry & Order
06/12/2012	Defendant Northern Title's Augmented Request For Leave to Make Expert Disclosures
06/12/2012	Notice of Hearing (Telephonic Requested)
06/12/2012	Affidavit of Brad H Bearnson
06/12/2012	Certificate Of Service for Affidavit of Brad H Bearnson
06/12/2012	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/03/2012 10:00 AM) Defendant's Augmented Request for Leave to Make Expert Disclosures
06/15/2012	Motion In Limine to Exclude the testimony of Curtis Baum With Incorporated Memorandum
	Amended Notice of taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Evan Skinner
06/15/2012	Amended Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Jay Davis
06/15/2012	Amended Notice of taking Deposition fo Curtis Baum

06/18/2012 Nocite of (Telephonic) Hearing NT Reg Additions

third Party Complaint 06/15/2012 Notice of Hearing (Telephonic requested)

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Notice of Non-Opposition To Defendant Exit Realty's Motion

06/15/2012 for Court Approval fo Stipulation For Dismissal of Stephens'



- 06/18/2012 Notice Of (Telephonic) Hearing
- 06/18/2012 Second Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Curtis Baum Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/03/2012 09:00 AM) Stephen's
- 06/18/2012 Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer to Cumming's 2nd Amended Complaint
- 06/19/2012 Objection to Notice of Taking Deposition of Roger L. Stephens and Motion for Protective Order
- 06/19/2012 Notice of Objection to Notice of Taking Depositions of Jay Davis and Evan Skinner
- Notice of Non-Opposition to Defendant Exit Realty's Motion for 06/19/2012 Court Approval of Stigulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third
- 06/19/2012 Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
- 06/19/2012 Notice of Participation and Appearance by Telephone
- 06/19/2012 Stephens' Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer to Cummings' Second Amended Complaint
  - Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/03/2012 10:00 AM) Stephens'
- 06/19/2012 Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer to Cummings'
  Second Amended Complaint
- 06/19/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/03/2012 10:00 AM) Plaintiff's Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/03/2012 10:00 AM)
- 06/19/2012 Defendant's Motion in Limine to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum, Request for Leave to Make Expert Disclosures0615
- Motion to Exclude Defendant, Northern Title Company's Expert 06/20/2012 Witnesses and Testimony and for Sanctions Including Attorney
- 06/20/2012 Witnesses and Testimony and for Sanctions Including Attorney Fees under IRCP37(b)
- Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Support of Motion to Exclude 06/20/2012 Defendant, Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and Testimony and for Sanctions Including Attorney Fees under IRCP37(b)
- 06/20/2012 Memorandum Supporting Motion to Exclude Defendant Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and Testimony
- 06/20/2012 Notice Of Hearing
  - Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/03/2012 10:00 AM) Motion to
- 06/20/2012 Exclude Defendant Northern Title Co's Expert Witnesses and Testimony and for Sanctions Including Atty Fees

  Objection to Plaintiff's Notice of Taking Deposition Duces
- 06/21/2012 Tecum of Roger L. Stephens, Evan Skinner, Jay Davis & Curtis Baum
- 06/25/2012 Request for Pre-Trial Conference
- 06/25/2012 Defendant Northern Title's Second Motion in Limine with Request to File Over-Length Memorandum
- 06/25/2012 Notice Of Hearing
- Response in Opposition to Exit Realty's Motion for Court
- 06/25/2012 Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
- Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Ipposition to Exit Realty's
- 06/25/2012 Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
- 06/25/2012 Defendant Northern Title's Memorandum in Support of Second Motion in Limine
- 06/26/2012 Notice Vacating the Depositions of Roger Stephens, Jay Davis and Evan Skinner
- 06/27/2012 Response in Opposition to Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum
- 06/27/2012 Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Opposition to Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum
- Defendant Northern Title's Response Memorandum to 06/28/2012 Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions and Motion to Exclude Defendant's Exper

- 06/29/2012 Notice Of Hearing
  - Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 10:00 AM)
- 06/29/2012 Defendant's 2nd Motion in Limine with Request to File Over-Length Memorandum
- Reply Memorandum in Support of Defendant Exit Realty's
- 06/29/2012 Motion for Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens Third Party Complaint
- 06/29/2012 Reply Brief Supporting Motion to Exclude Defendant Northern Title Company's Expert Witnesses and Testimony
  - Supplemental Affidavit of Phillip J. Collaer in Support of
- 06/29/2012 Defendant Exit Realty's Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
- 07/02/2012 Northern Title's Motion to Strike and Reply in Support of Excluding the Testimony of Curtis Baum
- 07/02/2012 Defendant Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude Lenore Katri and Gregory Kelley
- 07/02/2012 Defendant Northern Title's Memorandum in Support to Exclude Lenore Katri & Gregory Kelley
- 07/02/2012 Notice Of Hearing
  - Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 10:00 AM) Northern
- 07/02/2012 Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude Lenore Katrl & Gregory Kelley
  - Supplemental Affidavit of Phillip J. Collaer in Support of
- 07/02/2012 Defendant Exit Realty's Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
- Reply Memorandum in Support of Defendant Exit Realty's 07/02/2012 Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal of Stephens' Third Party Complaint
  - Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/03/2012 09:00 AM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse
- 07/03/2012 Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing: 100 estimated: Exit Realty's Motion for Court Approval of Stipulation for Dismissal
  - Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion Hearing date: 7/3/2012 Time: 9:15 am Courtroom: Court reporter: Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen
- 07/03/2012 for Steven Cummings, Plaintiff Randall Budge for Roger Stephens, Defendant Brad Bearnson for Northern Title, Defendant Phillip Collaer for Exit Realty, Evan Skinner, Dorothy Julian & Ryan Olsen, Third Party Defendants
- Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/03/2012 09:00 AM:
- 07/03/2012 Motion Granted Stephen's Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer to Cumming's 2nd Amended Complaint
  - Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/03/2012.09:00 AM: 7/03/2012 Hearing Held Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude the
- 07/03/2012 Hearing Held Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude the Testimony of Curtis Baum/Denied w/o prejudice
  - Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/03/2012 09:00 AM:
- 07/03/2012 Hearing Held Northern Title's Augmented Request for Leave to Make Expert Disclosures/taken under advisement
  - Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/03/2012 09:00 AM:
- 07/03/2012 Hearing Held Cummings' Motion to Exclude Defendant Northern Title Co's Expert Witnesses and Testimony and for Sanctions Including Atty Fees/taken under advisement
- 07/03/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Pretrial Conference 07/17/2012 10:00
- 07/03/2012 Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages
- 07/03/2012 Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Support of Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages
- 07/03/2012 Plaintiff's Memorandum in Support of Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages
- 07/03/2012 Notice Of Hearing



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	01	7/03/201	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 10:00 AM) Cummings' 2 Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive
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			Civil Disposition entered for: Stephens, Roger L, Defendant; 2 Exit Realty of Bear Lake, Defendant; Olsen, Ryan L., Defendant; Skinner, Evan E, Defendant. Filing date: 7/3/2012
	07	7/05/201	Stephens' Amended Answer To Cummings' Second Amended Complaint
	07	'/06/201	Motion For Sanctions and Other Appropriate remedies Under IRCP 37(b)for Failure to Comply with Discovery
	07	7/06/201	Affidavit of Nathan M Olsen In Support of Plaintiff's Motion for 2 Appropriate Remedies under IRCP 37(b) for failure to comply with discovery
	07	7/06/201	2 Notice of Hearing
	07	//06/201	Memorandum Decision on Plaintiff's Motion to Exclude 2 Northern title's Expert and on Norther Title's Motion to Extend Disclosure Deadline for Experts
	07	/09/201	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 10:00 AM) Cummings' 2 Motion for Sanctions & Other Appropriate Remedies Under IRCP 37b for Failure to Comply with Discovery
	07	/09/201	2 Request for Clarification
			2 Third Amended Notice of Taking Deposition of Curtis Baum
	07	/09/201	2 Defendant Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine
	07	/09/201	Defendant Northern Title's Memorandum in Support of Third Motion in Limine
	07	/09/201	2 Notice Of Hearing
			Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 10:00 AM) Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine
	07	/09/201	Continued (Motion 07/17/2012 09:00 AM) Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine
	07	/10/2013	2 Notice of Voluntary Dismissal-Rule 41(a)(1),(c) IRCP
			Civil Disposition entered for: Julian, Dorothy S, Defendant; Stephens, Roger L, Defendant. Filing date: 7/10/2012
			Defendant Northern Title's Objection and Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint
			Plaintiff's Response in Opposition to Northern Title's Second Motion in Limine
	07,	/12/2012	Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Support of Plaintiff's Response in Opposition to Northern Title's Second Motion in Limine
	07,	/12/2012	exclude Lenore Katri and Gregory Kelley
			Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Support of Plaintiff's Response In Opposition to Northern Title's Motion to Exclude Lenore Katri and Gregory Kelley
			2 Motion to Reconsider
			2 Memorandum in Support of Motion to reconsider 2 Notice of Hearing
			Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 09:00 AM) Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider
	07/	16/2012	Reply Brief Supporting Motion for Leave to Amend the Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages
	07/	16/2012	Motion to Reconsider Northern Title's Motion to Exclude Baum and for the Imposition of Appropriate Sanctions
	07/	16/2012	Notice Of Hearing
			Memorandum in Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition to Excluding Lenore Katri and Gregory Kelley & Request to File Over-Length Reply Brief
	07/	16/2012	Reply for Northern Title's Second Motion in Limine & Request to File Over-Length Reply Brief  Hions
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07/16/201	2 Memorandum in Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions
07/16/201	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/17/2012 09:00 AM) Northern 2 Title's Motion to Reconsider to Exclude Curtis Baum and for the Imposition of Appropriate Sanctions
07/16/2012	2 Plaintiff's Objection to Untimely Filings by Defendant Northern Title
07/16/2012	Court Minutes Hearing type: Motions hearing Hearing date: 7/16/2012 Time: 3:08 pm Courtroom: Court reporter: 2 Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen, Plaintiff Cummings Randall Budge, Defendant Stephens Aaron Bergman, Defendant Northern Title
07/16/2012	2 Plaintiff's Motions in Limine
07/16/2012	2 Notice Of Hearing
	Hearing Scheduled (Motion in Limine 07/17/2012 09:00 AM) Plaintiff's Motions in Limine
07/17/2012	Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in support of Plaintiff's Motions in Limine
07/17/2012	2 Motion In Limine
07/17/2012	Exhibit List of Defendant Roger L. Stephens
07/17/2012	Notice Of Hearing
07/17/2012	Hearing Scheduled (Motion in Limine 07/17/2012 09:00 AM) Stephens' Motion in Limine
07/17/2012	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse, Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Cummings' Motion for Sanctions & Other Appropriate Remedies Under IRCP 37b for Failure to Comply with Discovery
07/17/2012	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider to Exclude Curtis Baum and for the Imposition of Appropriate Sanctions/Denied
07/17/2012	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Northern Title's Motion to Reconsider/denied
07/17/2012	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Northern Title's Motion in Limine to Exclude Lenore Katri & Gregory Kelley
	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Cummings' Motion for Leave to Amend Complaint to Allege Punitive Damages
07/17/2012	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine
07/17/2012	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Northern Title 2nd Motion in Limine with Request to File Over-Length Memorandum
	Hearing result for Pretrial Conference scheduled on 07/17/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held
07/17/2012	Hearing Scheduled (Motion in Limine 07/30/2012 02:00 PM) All motions in limine
	Minute Entry and Order
	Amended Notice Of Hearing
07/20/2012	Second Amended Notice Of Hearing
07/20/2012	Trial Brief of Defendant Stephens
07/20/2012	Witness List of Defendant Roger Stephens
07/20/2012	Continued (Motion in Limine 07/30/2012 02:00 PM) Stephens' Motion in Limine
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07/20/2012 Second Amended Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Jay Davis

07/20/2012 Second Amended Notice of Taking Deposition Duces Tecum of Evan Skinner



07/23/201	Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc's Second Amended Witness Disclosure
07/23/201	2 Amended Notice of hearing
	Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider Order to exclude Plaintiff's Expert Gregory Kelley
07/24/201	2 Affidavit of Nathan M Olsen In Support of Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider Order to Exclude Plaintiff's Expert Greg Kelley
07/24/201	2 Notice of Hearing
07/24/201	Planitiff's Motion to Shorten Time on Hearing His Motion to Reconsider Order to Exclude Plaintiff's Expert Greg Kelley
07/24/201	<sup>2</sup> Plaintiff's Objection and Response in Opposition to Northern Title's Third Motion in Limine
07/24/201	Plaintiff's Objection and Response in Opposition to Stephens Motion in Limine
07/24/201	2 Notice of Use of Dorothy Julian Deposition
07/24/201	2 Plainitiff Witness List
07/24/201	2 Plainitiff Exhibit List
07/24/201	2 Notice Of Use of Phillip Baum Deposition
07/24/201	2 Notice of Use of Dr Curtis Baum Deposition
	Defendant Northern title Company ot Idaho, Inc's Joinder to 2 Defendant Roger Stephens 'Notice of Use of Dorothy Julian Deposition
07/25/2017	Witness List of Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc.
07/25/2012	Memorandum In Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion in Limine & Request to File Over-Length Brief
07/25/2012	2 Joint Exhibit List
07/26/2012	2 Plainitiff's Supplemental Exhibit List
07/27/2012	Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc's Joinder to 2 Defendant Roger Stephens' Notice of Use of Dorothy Julian deposition
07/27/2012	Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc's Exhibit List
07/27/2012	Certificate Of Service of Defendant Northern Title's ! Supplemental Response to Interrogatoris and Requests for Production of Documents
07/30/2012	Hearing Scheduled (Motion in Limine 07/30/2012 02:00 PM) Northern Title's 3rd Motion in Limine
	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 07/30/2012 02:00 PM) Cumming's Motion to Reconsider Order to Exclude Plaintiff's Expert Gregory Kelley
	Defendant Northern Title's Reply Memorandum in Support of third Motion in Limine & Request to file Over-Length Brief
07/30/2012	Defendant Northern Title's Objection and Memorandum in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion to Reconsider
07/30/2012	Exhibit List of Defendant Roger L. Stephens
07/30/2012	Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion in Limine Hearing date: 7/30/2012 Time: 2:02 pm Courtroom: Court reporter: Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olson Randall Budge Brad Bearnson Aaron Bergman
	Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 07/30/2012 02:00 PM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Cumming's Motion to Reconsider Order to Exclude Plaintiff's Expert Gregory Kelley
	Trial Brief on Behalf of Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc.
07/30/2012	Hearing result for Motion in Limine scheduled on 07/30/2012 02:00 PM: District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Northern Title's 3rd Motion in Limine
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- Hearing result for Motion in Limine scheduled on 07/30/2012 07/30/2012 02:00 PM: Hearing Held Stephens' Motion in Limine
- 07/30/2012 Hearing result for Motion in Limine scheduled on 07/30/2012 02:00 PM: Hearing Held All motions in limine
- 07/30/2012 Minute Entry & Order

Court Minutes Hearing type: Court Trial Hearing date: 7/31/2012 Time: 8:30 am Courtroom: Court reporter:

- 07/31/2012 Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen Randall Budge Brad Bearnson Aaron
- 07/31/2012 Hearing result for Court Trial scheduled on 07/31/2012 09:00 AM: Court Trial Started
- Hearing result for Motion in Limine scheduled on 07/31/2012 09:00 AM: Hearing Held Plaintiff's Motions in Limine
- 08/03/2012 Civil Disposition entered for: Stephens, Roger L, Defendant;
- Cummings, Steven, Plaintiff. Filing date: 8/3/2012
- 08/03/2012 Minute Entry & Order
- 08/09/2012 Attorney's Lien Pursuant to Idaho Code 3-205
- 08/13/2012 Amended Attorney's Lien Pursuant to Idaho Code 3-205
- 08/29/2012 Defendant Stephens' Motion for Order Awarding Attorney Fees and Costs
- 08/29/2012 Memorandum of Fees and Costs
- 08/29/2012 Affidavit of Randall C. Budge in Support of Motion for Fees and Costs
- 08/29/2012 Defendant Stephens' Brief in Support of Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs
- 09/04/2012 Notice Of Service of Transcript
- 09/07/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 10/24/2012 01:30 PM)
- 09/11/2012 Plaintiff's Motion Objecting to and Disallowing Defendant Roger L. Stephens' Attorneys' Fees and Costs
- 09/11/2012 Plaintiff's Objection to Defendant Roger L. Stephens' Request for IRCP 54(b) Certification
- 09/11/2012 Notice Of Hearing
- 09/11/2012 Hearing Scheduled (Motion 10/24/2012 01:30 PM)

Motion For Enlargement of time to File Memorandum

- 09/25/2012 Supporting Objection to Defendant, Roger L Stephens' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs
- 09/25/2012 Affidavit of Nathan M Olsen
- 09/26/2012 Stipulation for Extension of time to File Post-Trial Brief and Response
- 09/28/2012 Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion for Enlargement of Time Notice of Non-Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Enlargement
- of Time to File Memorandum Supporting Objection to 09/28/2012 Defendant, Roger L. Stephens' Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Costs
- 10/03/2012 Plaintiff's Post Trial Brief

Plaintiff's Memorandum in Support of Motion Objecting to and

- 10/10/2012 Disallowing Defendant Roger I. Stephens' Attorneys' Fees and Costs
- 10/22/2012 Amended Notice Of Hearing

Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion for Order Awarding Atty Fees & Costs Hearing date: 10/24/2012 Time: 1:30 pm

- 10/24/2012 Courtroom: Court reporter: Stephanie Morse Minutes Clerk: Karen Volbrecht Tape Number: Nathan Olsen Brad Bearnson Randall Budge
  - Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 10/24/2012 01:30 PM:
- District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse Number of Transcript Pages for this hearing estimated: Stephens' Motion for Order Awarding Attorney Fees and Costs

10/24/2012 Minute Entry & Order



	10/24/2012	Cost and Objection to Def R. Stephens' Request for IRCP54(b)
	10/30/2012	Certification Stipulation for Extension of Time to File Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc.'s Post-Trial Brief
	10/30/2012	Order Granting Stipulation for Extension of Time to File Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, INC.'s Post Trial Brief
	11/02/2012	Northern Title's Request for Submission of it's Post-Trial Brief
	11/06/2012	Disintiffic Objection to Defendant Northern Titles Cubminsion
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		Order Denying Northern Title's Request to Submit Over-Sized Brief
	•	Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc's Post-Trial Brief
	11/08/2012	Defendant Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc's Amended Post-Trial Brief
		Plaintiff's Reply to Defendant Northern Title's Post Trial Brief
		Notice of Under Advisement
		Notice of Replacement of Trial Exhibits
	01/22/2013	Final Judgment
		Memorandum Decision, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law
		Civil Disposition entered for: Stephens, Roger L, Defendant; Cummings, Steven, Plaintiff. Filing date: 1/22/2013
	01/22/2013	Civil Disposition entered for: Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc, Defendant; Cummings, Steven, Plaintiff. Filing date: 1/22/2013
	01/23/2013	Miscellaneous Payment: For Making Copy Of Any File Or Record By The Clerk, Per Page Paid by: Lance Schuster Receipt number: 0000185 Dated: 1/23/2013 Amount: \$2.00 (Credit card)
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		Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/22/2013 01:30 PM) Motion for Judgment against Cummings by Beard St. Clair
	01/31/2013	Filing: I1 - Initial Appearance by persons other than the blaintiff or petitioner Paid by: Lance J. Schuster Receipt number: 0000242 Dated: 1/31/2013 Amount: \$66.00 (Check) For: Cummings, Steven (plaintiff)
	01/31/2013	Motion to Intervene
		Motion for Judgment
		Affidavit of Counsel
		Notice Of Hearing
	02/05/2013 N	Memorandum of Authority in Support of Plaintiff's Memorandum of Fees and Costs Against Defendant Northern Title
	02/05/2013	Memorandum of Costs and Attorney's Fees and Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen
	U2/U5/2013 A	Defendant Stephens' Renewed Motion for Order Awarding Attorneys' Fees and Costs
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02/05/201	3 Memorandum of Fees and Costs
02/05/2013	Second Affidavit of Brad H. Bearnson in Support of Motion fo Fees and Costs
02/06/201	Notice Of Hearing/Bearnson
02/06/2013	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/26/2013 11:00 AM) Northern Title's Motion for Attorney Fees and Costs
02/07/2013	3 Amended Notice of Hearing
02/07/2013	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/26/2013 11:00 AM) Stephen's Motion for Order Awarding Attorney Fees and Costs
02/11/2013	Opposition To Motion to Intervene and Motion to Quash Attorney's Liens
02/11/2013	Affidavit of Steven Cummings in Opposition to Motion to Intervene and Motion for Judgment
02/11/2013	Affidavit of Nathan M. Olsen in Opposition to Motion to Intervene and Motion for Judgment
02/11/2013	Brief in Opposition to Motion to Intervene and Motion for Judgment and in Support of Motion to Quash
02/11/2013	Notice Of Hearing
02/11/2013	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/26/2013 11:00 AM) Cummings Motion to Quash Attorney's Lien, Motion to Strike Portions of Affd of Lance Schuster
02/11/2013	J. Schuster
02/11/2013	Brief in Support of Motion to Strike Portions of Affidavit of Lance J. Schuster
02/12/2013	Northern Title's Objection and Motion to Quash Plaintiff's Request for Costs and Attorney Fees
02/12/2013	Plaintiff's Motion Objecting to and Disallowing Defendant Northern Title's Attorneys Fees and Costs
02/12/2013	Notice Of Hearing
02/12/2013	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/26/2013 11:00 AM) Cummings Motion Objecting to and Disallowing Def Northern Title's Atty Fees & Costs
02/13/2013	Notice Of Hearing
02/13/2013	Hearing Scheduled (Motion 02/26/2013 11:00 AM) Northern Title's Objection & Motion to Quash Plntf's Request for Costs & Atty Fees
02/19/2013	Northern Title's Objection & Response to Plaintiff's Motion Objecting to & Disallowing Defendant Northern Title's Attorney Fees & Costs
02/19/2013	Intervener's Reply Memorandum in Support of Motions to Intervene, for Entry of Judgment and in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion to Quash
	Intervener's Memorandum in Opposition to Motion to Strike Portions of Affidavit of Lance J. Schuster
02/20/2013	Plaintiff's Brief: in Response to Defendant Northern Title's Objection & Motion to Quash Plaintiff's Request for Costs & Attorneys' Fees; & in Support of Plaintiff's Motion Objecting to & Disallowing of Defendant Norhtern Title's Attorneys' Fees & Costs
02/20/2013	Plaintiff's Amended Memorandum in Support of Motion Objecting to & Disallowing Defendant Roger L. Stephens' Attorneys' Fees & Costs
	Notice of Intent to Offer Testimony & Present Evidence
02/22/2013	Northern Title's Reply in Support of its Motion for Attorney Fees & Costs & Response in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion Objecting to Northern Title's Costs & Attorney Fees
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Court Minutes Hearing type: Motion hearings Hearing date: 2/25/2013 Time: 11:00 am Courtroom: Court reporter:

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Title Lance Schuster for Intervenor, Beard St Clair
Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 02/26/2013 11:00 AM:

District Court Hearing Held Court Reporter: Stephanie Morse

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02/26/2013 Hearing Held Stephen's Motion for Order Awarding Attorney Fees and Costs

Hearing result for Motion scheduled on 02/26/2013 11:00 AM:

02/26/2013 Hearing Held Northern Title's Motion for Attorney Fees and Costs

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02/26/2013 Hearing Held Motion to Intervene and for Judgment against Cummings by Beard St. Clair

02/26/2013 Minute Entry and Order

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03/05/2013 NOTICE OF APPEAL

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03/11/2013 Brief Regarding Jurisdiction on Motion to Intervene

03/19/2013 Order

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03/26/2013 Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc's Notice of Cross Appeal

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04/04/2013 Decision on Costs and Fees

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04/12/2013 Final Judgment on Costs and Fees

04/25/2013 Northern Title Company of Idaho, Inc.'s Amended Notice of Cross Appeal

05/14/2013 Notice of Amended Appeal

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