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## SUPERIOR COURT OF MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA

LINDA W. SWAIN, an individual; and EILEEN | Case No. CV2014-051035 T. BRESLIN, an individual,

## **Plaintiffs**

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TTLC AHWATUKEE LAKES INVESTORS, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company,

## Defendant.

## PLAINTIFFS' REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL **MASTER**

(Assigned Hon. John R. Hannah, Jr.)

Defendant TTLC Ahwatukee Lakes Investors, LLC ("Defendant") primary Objection to Plaintiffs' Motion for Appointment of Special Master ("Defendant's Objection") is based on its opposition to Plaintiffs' requested injunctive order in its proposed form of Judgment and Order for Permanent Injunction. Defendant's Objection, 1:16-24. Defendant argues there is no reason to appoint a special master because the Court is without authority to enter a permanent injunction to restore the Lakes Golf Course in the form proposed by Plaintiffs. *Id.* Plaintiffs' Reply to Defendant's Objection to Form of Judgment explains (1:25 to 5:15) the multiple reasons Defendant's argument fails legally and factually.

Defendant's suggestion that "not having a special master is likely to accelerate matters" (Defendant's Objection, 2:3) is based on its proposed overly broad injunction<sup>1</sup> under which Defendant would essentially be left to its own devices in restoring the golf

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Defendant's argument that a permanent injunction should "only state that TTLC is required to operate a golf course on the Property so that it can be used for golfing and golfing practice" (Defendant's Objection, 1:25 to 2:3) fails for the same reasons Plaintiffs opposed the same objection by Defendant in opposition to Plaintiffs' form of judgment. Plaintiffs' Reply to Defendant's Objection to Form of Judgment, 5:16 to 6:23.

course. That circumstance would make no sense because, first, such an open-ended injunction would not be enforceable and, more fundamentally, without a special master to provide input any debate over compliance would be left to the Court to familiarize itself with the reconstruction aspects of and resolve restoration issues raised by the parties. On the other hand, a special master is professionally equipped to more readily resolve the reconstruction aspects of restoration issues and, if challenged, advise the Court of options to resolve the challenge.

Defendant's 2-part final objection to the appointment of a special master is, first, "that a special master would not have the authority to tell TTLC how to restore the golf course" and, second, "imposing any expense on TTLC to pay a special master would be patently unfair". Defendant's Objection, 2:11-13. The first part of that objection is addressed above and in Plaintiffs' Reply to Defendant's Objection to Form of Judgment (1:25 to 5:15). Defendant's "patently unfair" arrogation must be considered in the context of Defendant's strategy as outlined at trial: (i) purchase a purposely deteriorated golf course (with no intention of restoring it), and (ii) perpetuate deterioration in order to extort homeowners' acceptance of the destruction of their home values so that Defendant may profit by building a housing tract, (iii) claim constitutional grounds (Fourth and Thirteenth Amendments) for these arrogations, (iv) assert, once challenged in court, that Defendant acted in the name of "good public policy", and (v) then, once the issues have been adjudicated, maintain that the Court (like Plaintiffs), has no right to the tools to stop the arrogations and enforce the Court's findings.

Plaintiffs respectfully submit a special master should be appointed to monitor the progress of the restoration of the Lakes Golf Course.

Dated this 22nd day of February 2018.

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