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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

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DELERY GUILLORY and KATHY GUILLORY, husband and wife; BEAR

TOOTH MOUNTAIN HOLDINGS, LLP, an

Arizona limited liability partnership;

CORNERSTONE REALTY AND

DEVELOPMENT, INC., an Arizona

corporation, WILLIAM L. HAWKINS

FAMILY, LLP, an Arizona limited liability

partnership; CORNERSTONE REALTY

AND DEVELOPMENT, INC. DEFINED

BENEFIT PLAN AND TRUST; AJ

CHANDLER 25 ACRES, an Arizona limited

liability company; QUEEN CREEK XVIII, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company;

PUEBLO SERENO MOBILE HOME PARK,

LLC, an Arizona limited liability company;

MICHAEL JOHNSON INVESTMENTS II,

LLC, Arizona limited liability company;

WILLIAM C. LEWIS, As Trustee of the

WILLIAM C. LEWIS TRUST DATED

AUGUST 1, 1989, AS AMENDED;

RICHARD K. UNDERWOOD, As Trustee

Of THE RICHARD K. UNDERWOOD

REVOCABLE TRUST DATED OCTOBER

31, 1995, AS AMENDED; ELFRIEDE

Case No. * CV2009-091501

COMPLAINT

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SCHOBER; EVA SPERBER-PORTER, a i married woman; BASELINE AND VAL VISTA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, an Arizona limited partnership; LITCHFIELD 3 ROAD ASSOCIATES LIMITED 4 PARTNERSHIP, an Arizona limited partnership; MARK SVEJDA, a married man; **VOLKER ROSSNAGEL; TRINE** 6 HOLDINGS, LLC, Arizona limited liability company; YUVAL and MIRIT CAINE; 7 **WEKSLER-CASSELMAN INVESTMENTS:** 8 MORLEY ROSENFIELD, M.D. P.C. RESTATED PROFIT SHARING PLAN: MELVIN L. DUNSWORTH JR., Trustee of 10 THE REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST OF MELVIN DUNSWORTH, JR. DATED 11 DECEMBER 23, 2003; EVERTSON OIL COMPANY, INC., a corporation; JAMES C. 12 SCHNECK, Trustee of THE JAMES C. 13 SCHNECK REVOCABLE TRUST: JASON C. SCHNECK; JAMES C. SCHNECK, 14 BRETT M. MCFADDEN; LONNIE JOEL 15 KRUEGER, Trustee of THE LONNIE JOEL KRUEGER FAMILY TRUST: LON 16 KRUEGER; ORVILLE and ALTHEA 17 KRUEGER FAMILY TRUST; ORVILLE AND ALTHEA KRUEGER, husband and wife; MARYANNE KRUEGER, a married 19 woman; LON KRUEGER, TRUSTEE FOR THE JAMES C. IRREVOCABLE TRUST: 20 ROBERT MAURICE FACCIOLA, Trustee of 21 THE ROBERT MAURICE FACCIOLA TRUST; ROBERT FACCIOLA; BRUCE 22 DENNIS BUCKLEY AND ALIVIA **BUCKLEY As Trustees of THE BRUCE** 23 DENNIS AND ALIVIA VIRGINIA 24 **BUCKLEY REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST** DATED JUNE 4, 1985 AND AMENDED 25 DECEMBER 7, 1994; BRUCE BUCKLEY: 26 MARK LOBERG; LOUIS R. VAZQUEZ, M.D.; JAN M. STERLING, Trustee of THE 27

JAN M. STERLING LIVING TRUST; JAN 1 M. STERLING; JAN M. STERLING 2 LIVING TRUST; LEAH L. LEWIS, Trustee Of THE LEAH L. LEWIS TRUST DATED 3 FEBRUARY 23, 2000; LEAH L. LEWIS; 4 STEPHEN B. HOWELL, M.D., Trustee of THE STEPHEN B. HOWELL, M.D. COMBINATION RETIREMENT TRUST, 6 DATED DECEMBER 16, 1998; STEPHEN B. HOWELL; BRETT W. HOWELL; 7 JUSTIN HOWELL; PAMELA R. 8 ANDERSON; KAREN E. LAMB, Trustee of THE KAREN E. LAMB LIVING TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 26, 2007; KAREN E. LAMB; DELBERT R. LEWIS, JR., Trustee 10 of THE DELBERT R. LEWIS, JR. FAMILY 11 TRUST UTA DATED DECEMBER 31, 12 1997; LOUIS B. MURPHEY; JOSEPH L. AND HELEN M. BALDINO, Trustees of 13 THE BALDINO FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST DATED MAY 26, 1994; HELEN M. 14 BALDINO; JOSEPH L. BALDINO; JOSEPH 15 L. BALDINO, Trustee of THE MERIDIAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION PROFIT 16 SHARING AND RETIREMENT TRUST: 17 HELEN M. BALDINO AND JOSEPH L. BALDINO, ALAN and TERRI BANDLER, 18 husband and wife; husband and wife; 19 SHELDON EPSTEIN, M.D.; HEATHER R. EPSTEIN; MICHAEL D. EPSTEIN: JONATHAN & LYNDA BLIVEN. 21 TRUSTEES OF THE JONATHAN & LYNDA BLIVEN FAMILY TRUST; CRAIG 22 ALLISON, Trustee of THE CRAIG 23 ALLISON LIVING TRUST; DONALD ANDERSON; STEPHEN D. BARBOUR: 24 JANE A. BARTELME; MORRIS GORDON BAGNE; JUNE BEHRENDT; STEVEN 25 BROTSMAN & SIGRID VAN BLADEL. 26 Trustees of THE STEVEN BROTSMAN & SIGRID VAN BLADEL REVOCABLE 27

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TRUST; SHERYL CALCAVECCHIA; 1 ERIKA CARLSON, Trustee Of THE ERIKA 2 CARLSON TRUST; FIFTH AGE OF MAN |FOUNDATION (CORP); WALTER J. 3 CLARKE; BEVERLY CLARKE, TRUSTEE OF THE BEVERLY CLARKE TRUST: BEVERLY CLARKE: WILLIAM EDWARDS; DONALD FRUCHTMAN; STEPHEN FRANKLIN, TRUSTEE OF THE STEPHEN FRANKLIN TRUST; MICHAEL 7 C. GALLAGA; DAVE GOLDMAN; 8 GERALD GROSS, Trustee of THE GERALD GROSS FAMILY TRUST; GERALD GROSS and THELMA A. GROSS, husband 10 and wife; STEPHEN C. GRESSER, Trustee Of THE STEPHEN C. GRESSER 1995 11 TRUST; FREDERICK C. HEITMAN: 12 DONNA R. HEITMAN; STEPHEN & DEBORAH HOOKER, Trustees of THE 13 STEPHEN & DEBORAH HOOKER TRUST; STEPHEN L. HOOKER; DEBORAH L. 14 HOOKER; MICHAEL KLIMANSKI; 15 ELIZABETH KRENZEL; JEANNE LEWIS. Trustee Of THE JEANNE LEWIS REVOCABLE TRUST; STEPHEN LESHNER; NANCY LUTZ; THOMAS LUTZ; PATRICK MALLONEE; WILLIAM 18 J. MILLER & SANDRA B. MILLER. 19 Trustees of THE WILLIAM J. MILLER & SANDRA B. MILLER FAMILY TRUST; 20 NORMAN THARP, Trustee of THE 21 NORMAN THARP FAMILY TRUST: GREGORY PATTERSON; KATALIN A. 22 RADER; ROBERT RADER; THE RADER 23 FAMILY TRUST; KURT SEEMANN: THE JAYESH K. & VAISHALI SHAH FAMILY 24 TRUST; JAYESH SHAH; SUSAN E. SHIPLEY; JOHN K. SOLHEIM & BROOKE 25 L. SOLHEIM JOINT; DAVID BRIAN STANTON: DAVID BRIAN STANTON. Trustee Of THE DAVID BRIAN STANTON 27

1 REVOCABLE TRUST; SCOTT B. SUMMERS; BETTY J. TATRO: 2 KATHLEEN K. TOMASULO; KATHLEEN K. TOMASULO, Trustee of THE 3 KATHLEEN K. TOMASULO CREDIT 4 SHELTER TRUST: DARREN C. TREASURE; URQUIETA SMYTHE, Trustee of THE URQUIETA SMYTHE FAMILY 6 TRUST; JOHN S. VANDERHEIDE, Trustee Of THE JOHN S. VANDERHEIDE TRUST: 7 CHARLES VOSE; CHARLES B. WINN: 8 JOHN C. VINSON and TAEKO VINSON. Trustees of the JOHN CHARLES VINSON FAMILY TRUST; ROBERT G. FURST, 10 TRUSTEE OF THE ROBERT G. FURST & ASSOC. LTD. PENSION PLAN; ROBERT 11 G. FURST; DAVID FURST, TRUSTEE OF 12 THE FURST FAMILY TRUST: DAVID FURST, TRUSTEE OF THE DHF 13 CORPORATION RETIREMENT TRUST: INVESTOR CLOUT, an Arizona general 14 partnership; JOHN DOES 1-100; JANE 15 DOES 1-100; BLACK & WHITE CORPORATIONS 1-100; and XYZ 16 PARTNERSHIPS 1-100. 17 Plaintiffs, 18 v. 19 THE ESTATE OF SCOTT M. COLES, 20 through Gerald K. Smith, Personal 21 Representative, Defendant. 22

For their Complaint against Defendant, and pursuant to A.R.S. §14-3110, Plaintiffs the following:

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I. INTRODUCTION

"We do not care anything for the heaviest storms in these big ships. It is fog that we fear. The big icebergs that drift into warmer water melt much more rapidly under water than on the surface, and sometimes a sharp, low reef extending two or three hundred feet beneath the sea is formed. If a vessel should run on one of these reefs half her bottom might be torn away."

Captain Smith, Commander of Titanic, prior to the ship's maiden voyage.

- 1. This case chronicles two tragedies. One defies any comforting explanation, but certainly commands compassion. For reasons perhaps only he knew, on June 2, 2008, Scott M. Coles took his own life, leaving behind grieving family members and friends. It is Scott Coles' death that has now created his probate estate and is the framework for these claims by these Plaintiffs at this time.
- 2. The second tragedy actually predates the death of Scott Coles. It is the demise of Mortgages Ltd, at one time the largest private lender in Arizona. Shrouded in the fog created by the deception, betrayal, and malfeasance of Scott M. Coles, Mortgages Ltd. hit the proverbial ice berg and now lies crippled and sinking in the bankruptcy court. Like unsuspecting and trusting passengers on that ship, Plaintiffs having entrusted Coles with over \$150,000,000 of their money, collectively are the victims of Scott Coles' arrogance, greed, and thoughtless self-interest.
- 3. Plaintiffs are all successful and capable business people who, on their own behalf or for entities they controlled, justifiably entrusted Scott Coles with significant in some instances, huge amounts of money to acquire interests in loans secured by deeds of trust on Arizona real estate. Scott Coles requested and welcomed that trust. Scott Coles

personally owed fiduciary duties to each and every one of the Plaintiffs in this case. In the end, Scott Coles utterly betrayed that trust and violated those fiduciary duties.

- 4. In the more than 10 months since Scott Coles died, Plaintiffs have begun to discover what Scott Coles hid before he died Mortgages Ltd was on the brink of corporate death and that it got to that point because Scott Coles shredded the fundamental principles upon which his father founded the company and transformed Mortgages Ltd into a monument of greed and deception. Scott Coles began to make outrageous loans that Mortgages Ltd could not fund. He manipulated Plaintiffs' "investment" interests to suit his own agenda, placing them in these outrageous loans. He began to lie to Plaintiffs about the condition of Mortgages Ltd to avoid a "run on the bank." He manipulated the financial statements of Mortgages Ltd and, together with Mortgages Ltd's auditors, created and maintained materially misstated financial statements to deceive the world as a whole about the true financial condition of Mortgages Ltd.
- 5. In the case of some Plaintiffs, Scott Coles' failure to tell those Plaintiffs the whole truth about the condition of Mortgages Limited caused them to agree to begin doing business with Mortgages Limited and turn over millions of dollars to Scott Coles. In other cases, Scott Coles' deception caused Plaintiffs to keep their millions of dollars with Mortgages Limited, even when they had the right and opportunity to withdraw it. Scott Coles' personal misconduct damaged each Plaintiff and now, despite the dark cloud of Scott Coles' personal tragedy, and as is their lawful right to do so, Plaintiffs ask Scott Coles' Estate to answer for the wrongs of Scott Coles.

7. There may be other participants in other programs of ML who have claims against Scott Coles who have not yet been included as Plaintiffs in this or any other case. For that reason, Plaintiffs have identified John Does 1-100, Jane Does 1-100, Black & White Corporations 1-100; XYZ Partnerships 1-100 in the event that additional Plaintiffs become known to these Plaintiffs and are identified and added appropriately to this case at a future date. ML and the Estate of Scott M. Coles are aware or should be aware of all other potential Plaintiffs from the existing list of participants in any of the programs of ML at the time of the death of Scott Coles.

REVOP PLAINTIFFS: GROUP 1

8. The RevOp program was, in essence, a program much like the Pass-Through Participation loan program (described below), selling fractionalized interests in various loans to qualified, accredited participants. However, in the RevOp program, Scott Coles typically targeted higher net worth individuals. The RevOp program provided a preferred rate of return for investors. Payments to the RevOp participants were guaranteed by ML

regardless of actual collections by ML from the borrowers. RevOp participants signed the operative documents as participants in any other Pass Through Participation program. In addition, there is an additional document called the Loan Program Purchase Agreement relating to the RevOp program.

- 9. The RevOp program was particularly attractive to higher net worth participants because of its liquidity. Scott Coles created and promoted the RevOp program for that particular reason, knowing that the higher net worth individuals would commit higher dollars to the RevOp program if those dollars were relatively liquid. Indeed, the RevOP program provided its participants with various levels of liquidity.
- 10. In the ML bankruptcy, the Trustee for Radical Bunny, LLC has filed a motion challenging the property interest of the RevOp participants, alleging that the RevOp participants owned nothing more than unsecured debt and not any valid and enforceable security interest in any of the real property related to any loan of ML. The RevOp Plaintiffs have, through other counsel or other avenues, challenged that motion by the Trustee for Radical Bunny. If it has determined by the bankruptcy court that the RevOp participants possess nothing more than unsecured claims against ML, the damages of the RevOp Plaintiffs in this case will increase proportionately. The following persons and entities are the RevOp Plaintiffs:
- 11. Delery and Kathy Guillory are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona.

 Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused

damage to Delery and Kathy Guillory in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$9,000,459.15, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 12. Bear Tooth Mountain Holdings, LLP is an Arizona limited liability partnership located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Bear Tooth Mountain Holdings, LLP in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$5,578,906.39, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 13. Cornerstone Realty and Development, Inc. is an Arizona corporation authorized to do and is doing business in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Cornerstone Realty and Development, Inc. in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$75,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 14. William L. Hawkins Family, LLP is an Arizona limited liability partnership located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to William L. Hawkins Family, LLP in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$3,165,992.43, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

15. Cornerstone Realty and Development, Inc. Defined Benefit Plan was established within Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Cornerstone Realty and Development, Inc. Defined Benefit Plan in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$525,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 16. AJ Chandler 25 Acres, LLC is an Arizona limited liability company located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to AJ Chandler 25 Acres, LLC in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$5,243,336.88, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 17. Queen Creek XVIII, LLC is an Arizona limited liability company located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Queen Creek XVIII, LLC in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$6,546,458.49, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 18. Pueblo Sereno Mobile Home Management, LLC is an Arizona limited liability company located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged

herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Pueblo Sereno Mobile Home Management, LLC in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$6,907,963.58, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 19. Michael Johnson Investments is established within Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Michael Johnson Investments in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 20. The William C. Lewis Trust Dated August 1, 1989 was established within Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to The William C. Lewis Trust Dated August 1, 1989 in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$22,981,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 21. Richard K. Underwood, as Trustee of The Richard K. Underwood Revocable Trust Dated October 31, 1995, As Amended was established within Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Richard K. Underwood, as Trustee of The Richard K. Underwood

Revocable Trust Dated October 31, 1995, As Amended in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$2,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 22. The Revocable Living Trust of Melvin L. Dunsworth, Jr., Dated December 23, 2003 was established outside of Maricopa County, Arizona. Mr. Dunsworth is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Revocable Living Trust of Melvin L. Dunsworth, Jr., Dated December 23, 2003 in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$6,089,960.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 23. The Robert Maurice Facciola Trust was established outside the County of Maricopa, Arizona. Robert Facciola is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Robert Maurice Facciola Trust and to Robert Facciola in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$9,840,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Robert Maurice Facciola Trust and Robert Facciola in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

24. Mark Loberg is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Mark Loberg in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Mark Loberg in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 25. Louis R. Vazquez is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Louis R. Vazquez in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Louis R. Vazquez in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 26. The Jan M. Sterling Living Trust was established outside the County of Maricopa, Arizona. Jan Sterling is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the

Jan M. Sterling Living Trust and to Jan M. Sterling in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$4,260,295.28, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Jan M. Sterling Living Trust and Jan M. Sterling in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 27. The Leah L. Lewis Trust, Dated February 23, 2000 was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Leah Lewis is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Leah L. Lewis Trust, Dated February 23, 2000 and Leah L. Lewis in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$7,692,963.58, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Leah L. Lewis Trust, Dated February 23, 2000 in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 28. Yuval Caine and Mirit Caine are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Yuval Caine and Mirit Caine in an amount to be established at trial, but in no

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event less than \$750,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- The Stephen B. Howell, M.D. Combination Retirement Trust, Dated 29. December 16, 1998 was established outside the County of Maricopa, Arizona. Stephen B. Howell, M.D. is domiciled outside of the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Stephen B. Howell, M.D. Combination Retirement Trust, Dated December 16, 1998, and to Stephen B. Howell, M.D in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$855,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Stephen B. Howell, M.D. Combination Retirement Trust, Dated December 16, 1998, and Stephen B. Howell, M.D. in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 30. The Lonnie Joel Krueger Family Trust was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Lonnie Krueger resides within Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Lonnie Joel Krueger Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$2,180,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 31. Pamela R. Anderson is domiciled outside Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Pamela R. Anderson in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$500,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Pamela R. Anderson in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 32. The Karen E. Lamb Living Trust Dated February 26, 2007 was established outside Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Karen E. Lamb Living Trust Dated February 26, 2007 in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,200,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Karen E. Lamb Living Trust Dated February 26, 2007 in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 33. The Delbert R. Lewis, Jr. Family Trust UTA Dated December 31, 1997 was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including

but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Delbert R. Lewis, Jr. Family Trust UTA Dated December 31, 1997 in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Delbert R. Lewis, Jr. Family Trust UTA Dated December 31, 1997 in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 34. Louis B. Murphey is a resident of Benson, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Louis B. Murphey in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$6,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 35. Morley Rosenfield, M.D., P.C. Restated Profit Sharing Plan is an Arizona corporation located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Morley Rosenfield, M.D., P.C. Restated Profit Sharing Plan in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$4,959,322.31, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 36. Evertson Oil Company, Inc. is a foreign corporation. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent

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misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Evertson Oil Company, Inc. in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- The James C. Schneck Revocable Trust was established outside the State of 37. Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the James C. Schneck Revocable Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$8,820,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- Jason C. Schneck and James C. Schneck are residents of Wisconsin. Through 38. the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Jason C. Schneck and James C. Schneck in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$100,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 39. Brett McFadden is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Brett McFadden in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

40. Weksler-Casselman Investments is established and transacting business within Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Weksler-Casselman Investments in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$500,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 41. Trine Holdings, LLC, is an Arizona limited liability company located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Trine Holdings, LLC in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$2,372,445.06, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 42. Investor Clout is an Arizona general partnership. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Investor Clout in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,800,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

PASS-THROUGH PLAINTIFFS: GROUP 2

43. As more fully described later in this Complaint, Under the "Pass Through Participation" loan program, ML would enter into a loan arrangement with a borrower, taking a promissory note and deed and trust in return, which ML would record. ML would

then solicit and then receive "investor" money to "participate" in that particular loan. ML would then assign an interest – the fractionalized interest – in the note and deed of trust to each individual investor.

- 44. The pass-through programs used by ML were the Revolving Opportunity Loan Program, Capital Opportunity Loan Program, Annual Opportunity Loan Program, Opportunity Plus Loan Program, Performance Plus Loan Program, or other similar programs. The fractional interests of the Pass-Through investors in the loans and liens on real estate collateral belong to and are the property of the Pass-Through Plaintiffs, not to ML. ML may own a fractional interest in some of the same loans in its own name. The following persons and entities are the Pass-Through Plaintiffs:
- 45. Eva Sperber-Porter, a married woman, is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Eva Sperber-Porter in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$3,671,285.56, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 46. Baseline and Val Vista Limited Partnership is an Arizona limited partnership located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Baseline and Val Vista Limited Partnership in an

amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$3,353,307.01, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 47. Litchfield Road Associates Limited Partnership is an Arizona limited partnership located in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Litchfield Road Associates Limited Partnership in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$3,718,788.78, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 48. Mark Svejda, a married man, is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Mark Svejda, in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$186,523.67, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 49. Elfriede Schober is a German citizen. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Elfriede Schober in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$163,828.24, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Mark Svejda was the authorized agent of Elfriede Schober in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Mark Svejda in that agency capacity.

- 50. Volker Rossnagel is a German citizen. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Volker Rossnagel in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$232,552.71, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Mark Svejda was the authorized agent of Volker Rossnagel in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Mark Svejda in that agency capacity.
- 51. The Jeanne Lewis Revocable Trust was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Jeanne Lewis Revocable Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$412,236.83, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Jeanne Lewis Revocable Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 52. Bruce Dennis Buckley and Alivia Buckley are residents of Arizona. The Bruce Dennis and Alivia Virginia Buckley Revocable Living Trust Dated June 4, 1994 was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions,

Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Bruce Dennis Buckley and Alivia Buckley, as Trustees of the Bruce Dennis and Alivia Virginia Buckley Revocable Living Trust Dated June 4, 1994 in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$900,953.72, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 53. Bruce D. Buckley is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Bruce D. Buckley in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$252,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 54. Brett Howell is domiciled outside of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Brett Howell in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$87,417.06, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Brett Howell in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 55. Justin Howell is domiciled outside of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Justin Howell in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$75,935.59.

Justin Howell in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

56. Craig Allison, Trustee of the Craig Allison Living Trust is domiciled outside

the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material

to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of

- the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Craig Allison in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$150,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Craig Allison, Trustee of the Craig Allison Living Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 57. Donald Anderson is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Donald Anderson in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$200,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Donald Anderson in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles

made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 58. Stephen D. Barbour is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Stephen D. Barbour in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$236,507.81, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Stephen D. Barbour in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 59. Jane A. Bartelme is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Jane A. Bartelme in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,036,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Jane A. Bartelme in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

60. Morris Gordon Bagne is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Morris Gordon Bagne in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$265,950.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Morris Gordon Bagne in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 61. June Behrendt is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to June Behrendt in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$644,729.73, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of June Behrendt in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 62. The Jonathan & Lynda Bliven Family Trust, was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Jonathan & Lynda Bliven Family Trust in an amount to

be established at trial, but in no event less than \$5,700,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 63. The Stephen Brotsman & Sigrid Van Bladel Revocable Trust is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Stephen Brotsman & Sigrid Van Bladel Revocable Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$200,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Stephen Brotsman & Sigrid Van Bladel Revocable Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 64. Sheryl Calcavecchia is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Sheryl Calcavecchia in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$100,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Sheryl Calcavecchia in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Erika Carlson in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$250,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Erika Carlson Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 66. Fifth Age of Man Foundation (Corp) is a foreign corporation. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Fifth Age of Man Foundation (Corp) in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$100,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Fifth Age of Man Foundation (Corp) in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 67. Walter Clarke is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Walter Clarke in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$150,950.00, the amount of

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69. William Edwards is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and

fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to

misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case,

Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Walter

Clarke in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and

Beverly Clark is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona.

conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and

fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to

Beverly Clark in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$230,000.00,

the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material

to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of

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omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

Beverly Clark in dealings with Scott Coles and ML.

William Edwards in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than

\$250,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all

times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the

authorized agent of William Edwards in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles

made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency

capacity.

- 70. Donald J. Fruchtman, is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Donald J. Fruchtman in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$280,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Donald J. Fruchtman in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 71. The Stephen Franklin Trust, was established outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Stephen Franklin Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$191,015.62, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Stephen Franklin Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 72. Micheal C. Gallaga is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to

Michael C. Gallaga in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$91,015.62, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Michael C. Gallaga in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 73. The Gerald Gross Family Trust was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Gerald Gross Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$530,046.44, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 74. Gerald and Thelma Gross are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Gerald and Thelma Gross in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,006,479.79, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 75. Frederick C. Heitman is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to

Frederick C. Heitman in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$500,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Frederick C. Heitman in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 76. Donna R. Heitman is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Donna R. Heitman in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$140,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Donna R. Heitman in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 77. Stephen L. Hooker is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Stephen L. Hooker in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$152,188.37, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the

 authorized agent of Stephen L. Hooker in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 78. Deborah L. Hooker is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Deborah L. Hooker in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$125,858.99, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Deborah L. Hooker in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 79. The Stephen and Deborah Hooker Trust, was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Stephen and Deborah Hooker Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$50,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Stephen and Deborah Hooker Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

80. Elizabeth Krenzel, is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Elizabeth Krenzel in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$85,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Elizabeth Krenzel in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 81. Lon J. Krueger and Maryanne B. Krueger, are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Lon J. Krueger and Maryanne B. Krueger in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$472,588.35, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 82. Stephen Leshner, is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Stephen Leshner in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$53,274.66, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the

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authorized agent of Stephen Leshner in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 83. Nancy Lutz, is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Nancy Lutz in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$430,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of * in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 84. Thomas Lutz is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Thomas Lutz in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$160,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of * in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 85. Patrick S. Mallonee is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and

fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Patrick S. Mallonee in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$207,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Patrick S. Mallonee in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 86. William J. Miller and Sandra B. Miller Family Trust, was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to William J. Miller and Sandra B. Miller Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$2,000,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of * in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 87. Norman Tharp Family Trust is outside the County of Maricopa, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Norman Tharp Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$250,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's

LLC was the authorized agent of Norman Tharp Family Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners,

- 88. Gregory Patterson is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Gregory Patterson in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$106,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Gregory Patterson in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 89. Katalin A. Rader is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Katalin A. Rader in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$435,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Katalin A. Rader in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles

made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 90. Robert K. Rader is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Robert K. Rader in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$567,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Robert K. Rader in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 91. The Rader Family Trust, outside Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to The Rader Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$1,500,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of the Rader Family Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

92. Kurt Seemann is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Kurt Seemann in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$110,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Kurt Seemann in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 93. The Jayesh K. and Vaishali Shah Family Trust are outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Jayesh K. and Vaishali Shah Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$300,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of The Jayesh K. and Vaishali Shah Family Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 94. Jayesh Shah is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Jayesh Shah in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$199,500.00, the amount of

funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Jayesh Shah in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 95. Susan E. Shipley, is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Susan E. Shipley in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$100,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Susan E. Shipley in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 96. John K. Solheim and Brooke L. Solheim are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to John K. Solheim and Brooke L. Solheim in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$22,400.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of John K. Solheim and Brooke L. Solheim in

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dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

- 97. David Brian Stanton is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to David Brian Stanton in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$120,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of David Brian Stanton in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.
- 98. David Brian Stanton Revocable Trust, outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to David Brian Stanton Revocable Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$513,020.81, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of David Brian Stanton Revocable Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

99. Scott B. Summers is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Scott B. Summers in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$358,500.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Scott B. Summers in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

100. Betty J. Tatro is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Betty J. Tatro in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$100,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Betty J. Tatro in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

101. Kathleen K. Tomasulo, domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Kathleen K. Tomasulo in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than

\$1,154,585.28, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Kathleen K. Tomasulo in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Kathleen K. Tomasulo Credit Shelter Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$273,429.38, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Kathleen K., Tomasulo Credit Shelter Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

103. Darren C. Treasure is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Darren C. Treasure in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$100,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Darren C. Treasure in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles

made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

104. The Urquietta Smythe Family Trust, outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Urquietta Smythe Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$120,485.78, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Urquietta Smythe Family Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to John S. VanderHeide Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$200,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of John S. VanderHeide Trust in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

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106. Charles Vose is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Charles Vose in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$500,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Charles Vose in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

107. Charles B. Winn is domiciled outside the State of Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Charles B. Winn in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$150,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy. At all times material to this case, Walter Clarke of Oxford Investment Partners, LLC was the authorized agent of Charles B. Winn in dealings with Scott Coles and ML. Scott Coles made the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein to Walter Clarke in that agency capacity.

John C. Vinson and Taeko Vinson, Trustees of the John Charles Vinson Family Trust are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to John C.

Vinson in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$578,826.39, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 109. Robert G. Furst, as Trustee of the Robert G. Furst & Assoc., Ltd. Pension Plan resides in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Robert G. Furst, as Trustee of the Robert G. Furst & Assoc., Ltd. Pension Plan in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$653,908.39, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 110. Robert G. Furst is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Robert G. Furst in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$67,103.62, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 111. David Furst, as Trustee of the Furst Family Trust resides in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to David Furst, as Trustee of the Furst Family Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$311,757.23, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 112. David Furst, as Trustee of the DHF Corporation Retirement Trust resides in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited

to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to David Furst, as Trustee of the DHF Corporation Retirement Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$305,413.44, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

POOLS PLAINTIFFS: GROUP 3

- 113. The "Pools" were also another funding vehicle Scott Coles devised to attract money to ML. Also known as "MP Funds," the "Pools" were (at the time of ML's bankruptcy) nine limited liability companies: MP122009 LLC (known as MP9), MP062011 LLC (known as MP10), MP122030 (known as MP11), Mortgages Ltd. Opportunity Fund MP12 L.L.C. (known as MP12), Mortgages Ltd. Opportunity Fund MP13 L.L.C. (known as MP13), Mortgages Ltd. Opportunity Fund MP14 L.L.C. (known as MP14), Mortgages Ltd. Opportunity Fund MP15 L.L.C. (known as MP15), Mortgages Ltd. Opportunity Fund MP16 L.L.C. (known as MP16), Mortgages Ltd. Opportunity Fund MP17 L.L.C. (known as MP17). Each fund is a separate Arizona limited liability company and ML is the sole manager of each LLC. Thus, Scott Coles controlled the Pools. The Pool participants are holders of membership interests in those LLCs. The fractional interests of the Pools in the loans and liens on real estate collateral belong to and are the property of the Pools, not ML. The following persons and entities are the Pools Plaintiffs in this case:
- 114. Joseph L. and Helen M. Baldino, Trustees of the Baldino Family Revocable Trust, Dated May 26, 1994; Joseph L. Baldino, Trustee of the Meridian Financial

Corporation Profit Sharing and Retirement Trust; Helen M. Baldino and Joseph Baldino; Joseph Baldino. These trusts were established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Joseph and Helen Baldino are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Baldinos in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$5,442,371.42, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 115. Sheldon and Karen Epstein, reside in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Sheldon and Karen Epstein in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$2,208,953.38, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 116. Heather Epstein, resides outside Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Heather Epstein in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$163,046.44, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 117. Michael Epstein, resides outside Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to

Michael Epstein in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$115,531.62, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

- 118. Dave and Lois Goldman, are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Dave Goldman in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$361,276.89, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 119. Alan and Terri L. Bandler are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Alan and Terri Bandler in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$2,472,279.89, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 120. Orville E. Krueger and Althea M. Krueger, are residents of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Orville E. Krueger and Althea M. Krueger in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$440,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.
- 121. The Orville E. Krueger and Althea M. Krueger Family Trust, was established in Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not

 limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to the Orville E. Krueger and Althea M. Krueger in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$73,801.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

122. Lon Krueger, as Trustee of the James C. Schneck Irrevocable Trust, is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona. Through the conduct alleged herein, including but not limited to, his breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions, Scott Coles proximately caused damage to Lon Krueger, Trustee for the James C. Schneck Irrevocable Trust in an amount to be established at trial, but in no event less than \$598,000.00, the amount of funds placed with ML at the time of ML's bankruptcy.

Walter Clarke is associated with Oxford Investment Partners, LLC ("Oxford"), a comprehensive financial services firm located in Phoenix, Arizona. Walter Clarke is President of Oxford and, at all relevant times, was the authorized agent of certain RevOp Plaintiffs and Pass-Through Plaintiffs in this case. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Walter Clarke was the authorized agent of the following RevOp Plaintiffs:

- Mark Loberg
- Louis R. Vazquez, MD
- Jan M. Sterling
- Leah L. Lewis
- Stephen Howell, MD
- Pamela Anderson

1	■ Karen E. Lamb
2	Delbert R. Lewis
3	At all times relevant to this Complaint, Walter Clarke was the authorized agent of the
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5	following Pass-Through Plaintiffs:
6	Craig Allison
7 8	Donald Anderson
9	Stephen Barbour
10	Jane Bartelme
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12	Morris Gordon Bagne
13	June Bhrendt
14	Stephen Brotsman & Sigrid Van Bladel
16	Sheryl Calcavecchia
17	■ Erika Carlson
18	Fifth Age of Man Foundation Corp
20	Karen E. Lamb
21	Walter J. Clarke
22	Walter J. Clarke
23	Beverly Clarke
24	William Edwards
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- Stephen Franklin
- Michael Gallaga
- Stephen Gresser
- Frederick Heitman
- Donna Heitman
- Stephen Hooker
- Deborah Hooker
- Stephen Howell, MD
- Brett Howell
- Justin Howell
- Michael Klimansky
- Elizabeth Krenzel
- Leah L. Lewis
- Jeanne Lewis
- Stephen Leshner
- Nancy Lutz
- Thomas Lutz
- Patrick Mallonee
- William and Sandra Miller
- Norman Tharp

	Gregory Patterson
•	Katalin Rader
•	Robert Rader
•	Jayesh K. and Vaishali Shah
•	Susan Shipley
	John K. Solheim and Brooke L. Solheim
•	Jan M. Sterling
•	David Brian Stanton
•	Scott B. Summers
•	Betty Tatro
•	Kathleen Tomasulo
	Darren Treasure
•	Kurt Seemann
=	Urquieta Smythe
•	John Vanderheide
=	Charles Vose

Scott Coles regarding various investments of Clarke's clients in ML. During those conversations and communications, Scott Coles made material misrepresentations to Clarke

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and omitted to disclose material facts, rendering his statements otherwise misleading. As a result of Scott Coles' misrepresentations, Clarke made certain investment decisions for and on behalf of his aforementioned clients. Because of Clarke's position as an authorized agent of the aforementioned Plaintiffs, Scott Coles misrepresentations to Clarke were, as a matter of law, were misrepresentations to each of the aforementioned Plaintiffs.

THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

- 124. Gerald K. Smith ("Smith" or "PR") is the lawfully appointed personal representative of the Estate of Scott M. Coles ("Estate"). Plaintiffs do not accuse Smith of any personal wrongdoing in this case. Rather, Smith is named in this case solely to comply with the Arizona Probate Code Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure and to allow the Plaintiffs to lawfully assert their claims against the Estate.
- 125. The claims of all Plaintiffs herein have arisen from the same series of transactions or occurrences. Many questions of law and fact are common to all Plaintiffs and will arise and be litigated in this case. The claims of Plaintiffs are logically related. Therefore, the claims of all Plaintiffs are properly included herein pursuant to Ariz.R.Civ. P. 20(a).
- 126. All Plaintiffs have satisfied all conditions precedent to the filing of this Complaint, including the prior submission of a claim to the personal representative. In some cases, Plaintiffs have complied with that requirement by filing their own individual claims with the personal representative. The remaining Plaintiffs are deemed to have satisfied that requirement as a result of the claim submitted to the personal representative by

the Official Investors' Committee arising out of the ML bankruptcy. (See Exhibit 1 hereto). In all cases, the personal representative has disallowed the claims and Plaintiffs have filed this Complaint in a timely manner, pursuant to A.R.S. §14-3804(3) and Rule 17, Ariz.R.Civ.P.

- 127. Plaintiffs' claims herein are based upon facts that Plaintiffs discovered and otherwise became aware of following the death of Scott Coles on June 2, 2008.
 - 128. Jurisdiction and venue are proper in this Court.

III. GENERAL FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 129. Mr. Charles Coles founded Mortgages Ltd. in 1963 as a conservative private lending company. He was known as a disciplined, tough-minded, and honest businessman. Under the conservative leadership of Mr. Coles, ML was a success, weathering even the unpredictable Arizona real estate downturns. In 1986, Charles' third son, Scott Martin Coles, joined ML. Mr. Coles stepped down as the president and chief executive officer of ML in 1992. After Mr. Coles died in 1998, Scott Coles took the helm of his father's 35 year old company.
- December 22, 1994, as amended ("SMC Trust"), the beneficiaries of which are Ashley Coles (widow of Scott M. Coles) and two children of Scott Coles from his first marriage. Until he died, Scott Coles controlled the SMC Trust. Upon information and belief, Plaintiffs allege that Scott Coles used the SMC Trust as an instrument of his wrongdoing, as

alleged herein. As further alleged herein, Coles created and controlled an illegal enterprise.

The SMC Trust was part and parcel of that illegal enterprise.

- 131. Tomas Hirsch ("Hirsch") was the trustee of the SMC Trust until shortly after Scott Coles died. Hirsch aided and abetted Scott Coles in his misuse of the SMC Trust and illegal control of an enterprise. As alleged herein, Hirsch and Scott Coles utilized the SMC Trust as an instrumentality of their wrongdoing and to perpetrate the fraud and breach of duty as set forth herein.
- 132. Scott Coles operated ML as its autocratic dictator, controlling the investment decisions on the part of ML's participants, including Plaintiffs. Scott Coles controlled and dominated the decisions of ML regarding who to loan money to and the terms and conditions upon which money could be loaned, often ignoring the very underwriting principles that his father had established and that had made ML a model of stability and consistency, even through difficult financial times.
- primarily on a period of time including and following 2005, when Scott Coles aggressively sought to grow ML's business. Because Plaintiffs all began their relationship with ML at various times, and pursuant to various programs, certain key time periods vary for each Plaintiff. For example, the initial decision to participate in ML's programs was a critical time for all participant Plaintiffs. Obviously, that date varies for each Plaintiff. Moreover, depending upon the nature of the program each Plaintiff was involved in, each Plaintiff had, at various points along the way, the opportunity to withdraw the funds committed to ML

 and pursue other ventures or uses of that money. Because the depth and extent of ML's false financial statements are just now coming to light, unless any particular Plaintiff made its initial decision to participate in ML during 2006, 2007 or 2008, many of the individual claims in this case will focus upon Plaintiff's individualized decisions to leave their monies in the Pools or fractionalized interests programs ("rollover"). Thus, a significant number of Plaintiffs' current claims arise from a rollover decision and the impact of Scott Coles' active misrepresentations and breach of fiduciary duty had over those rollover decisions. In the case of these Plaintiffs, those facing a rollover decision during 2006-2008 agreed to keep their funds involved with ML's business rather than remove the money. However, Plaintiffs continue their investigation.

- 134. Coles often made Plaintiffs' rollover decisions for them, contrary to their express instructions or desires, and generally to further Scott Coles' personal agenda. In every such situation, Scott Coles alone controlled the decision to rollover each particular participant's funds. In doing so, Scott Coles breached his fiduciary duties to each participant, whether a Pass-Through, RevOp, or Pool participant.
- 135. Plaintiffs have filed this Complaint in order to comply with the 60-day filing requirement of the Arizona Probate Code. In doing so, Plaintiffs have been as thorough as current discovery and analysis allows. Plaintiffs anticipate filing an amended complaint as their investigation and discovery continues.

A. <u>Coles Takes the Reins of ML, Transforms It Into the Proverbial</u> <u>Money Machine, and Dominates and Controls Its Affairs.</u>

method of doing business was very simple: ML received money from various persons and entities and loaned it to others. ML itself made money on both transactions. Thus, on one side of ML's business, the company underwrote loans for commercial, industrial and residential properties for acquisition, entitlement, development, construction and investment. Historically, the majority of ML's loans were short-term loans secured by real estate, including multifamily residential projects, office buildings, and mixed-use projects within Arizona. During the past three years especially, Coles caused ML to make wildly inappropriate loans. At the time of its bankruptcy, ML had outstanding loans of approximately \$894 million in approximately sixty-six real estate projects. Since the filing of the bankruptcy, ML has stopped making new loans.

137. ML loaned very little of its own money to its "borrowers". Instead, it acquired money from various third-party sources, like Plaintiffs. Through its licensed broker dealer, Mortgages Ltd. Securities, ML received money raised from approximately 2,700 persons or entities for placement into loans secured by real estate located in Arizona, as described above. Under the advice and substantial assistance of its lawyers, and utilizing financial information audited and approved by its accountants, ML prepared private offering materials to submit to its potential sources of money, seeking and purporting to deal only with accredited investors, thereby avoiding the registration requirements of federal and state

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law. Plaintiffs attach hereto as Exhibits 2 and 3, respectively, sample Private Offering Memoranda from the programs represented by this group of Plaintiffs — Pass-Through Participation and Pools. Exhibit 4 is a "Revolving Opportunity Loan Program Purchase Agreement." As further alleged herein, and as Plaintiffs expect to establish as this case progresses, these Private Offering Memoranda (and others issued by ML) contain material misrepresentations of fact and omit material statements of fact necessary to make these Private Offering Memoranda true, causing some or all of the Plaintiffs to rely upon the information contained therein in making their decision to either place money with ML in the first place or leave money with ML in a roll-over decision.

- 138. As with everything else within ML, Scott Coles knew of and controlled the content and truthfulness (or lack thereof) of these offering materials, but relying nonetheless on the professional opinions of his accountants and lawyers. Under these documents prepared by MS and its counsel, in exchange for payment of their money, Plaintiffs received either (1) direct fractionalized interests in loans and deeds of trust; or (2) membership interests in limited liability companies that themselves held fractionalized interests in loans and deeds of trust.
- 139. While all persons or entities providing money to ML have been loosely referred to as "investors," most of them are not investors at all. In fact, none of them are investors in ML. Only those who acquired membership interests in limited liability companies could be considered "investors" of any kind. However, they became investors in the respective LLCs, not in ML. Each respective LLC "owned" the fractionalized interests

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 in loans and deeds of trust that ML had originated. Those persons and entities receiving the direct fractionalized interests were likewise not "investors" in ML. They owned their respective fractionalized interests.

- 140. Each participant who entered into the Pass-Through participation or RevOp programs were required to sign a document that has been referred to in the ML bankruptcy matter as the "Agency Agreement." A true and correct copy of a sample Agency Agreement from the Pass-Through Loan Participation program is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 5.
- 141. In most instances, Scott Coles signed the Agency Agreement on behalf of the participant and on behalf of ML. The Agency Agreement purports to give ML the authority to act in various ways to perform all of the tasks necessary to carry out the intent of the respective agreements each participant signed when paying money to ML. In fact, each participant and Scott Coles understood that Scott Coles controlled ML's performance under the Agency Agreement.
- 142. Because of Scott Coles' control over ML, the Agency Agreement itself created a fiduciary duty on the part of Scott Coles to every participant in the Pass-Through loan and RevOp programs. Moreover, as detailed herein, through his own conduct in dealing with and controlling the interests and property of all participants, including the Plaintiffs herein, Scott Coles requested and took upon himself the trust and confidence of these participants and, consequently, owed fiduciary duties to these participants, including

these Plaintiffs. Indeed, Scott Coles had near total control over the property of Plaintiffs, further enforcing his role as a fiduciary of each Plaintiff.

- 143. The Pool participants became members of an LLC of which ML was the Manager. Thus, because he controlled ML, Scott Coles likewise took upon himself a fiduciary obligation as the *de facto* manager of the Pool LLCs to each member of the Pool LLCs.
- 144. ML made its profit primarily from loan origination fees and by retaining the difference between the interest received from the borrowers and the interest paid to the investors, the "interest rate spread." ML was ostensibly entitled to various fees and charges in conjunction with the loans made to borrowers. Generally, the higher the loan amount, the higher the fees and charges. For example, the "Private Offering Memorandum dated July 10, 2006 for Pass-Through Participations in Loans Originated or Acquired by Mortgages Ltd." (the "POM") stated that ML was entitled to "receive certain compensation for services rendered regardless of the returns to the Participation holders." In particular, ML maintained it was entitled to:
 - a "Loan Commitment Fee" (generally 1.0% of the requested Loan amount);
 - a "Property Inspection Fee;"
 - "Origination Points" on each Loan generally ranging between 3.0% to 6.5% of the principal amount of the Loan;

- The "Interest Rate Spread," meaning the difference between the interest rate charged to the borrower and the interest rate paid to the Participation holders (generally between 1% and 2%);
- A "Servicing Fee" typically ranging from \$10.00 to \$50.00 per month;
- The "Default Interest Spread" which is the difference between the stated interest rate on the Loan and the interest rate provided for in the event of default;
- Any "Prepayment Penalty;" and
- Any "Late Charges."
- 145. The Agency Agreement provided that ML would act as the servicer on the loans and purported to give ML authority to take certain actions with respect to the loans.

 The Agency Agreement states that ML was entitled to:
 - a. Retain fees and charges assessed under the loan documents and collected by ML, including commitment fees, origination fees or points, late charges, maturity late charges, administrative fees, property inspection fees, prepayment penalties or premiums, notice fees and services.
 - b. Deduct from payments received by Participant a portion of the interest payments on any loan in which Participant acquires an interest in an amount determined by ML at the time of the origination of such loan and/or a servicing fee.

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- c. Collect and retain any interest on the principal balance of any loan which is over and above the normal rate set forth in the applicable promissory note, including the default interest rate provided for in the applicable loan documents.
- d. Collect and retain any interest that accrues on any impound accounts to the extent permitted by applicable law.
- e. Collect and retain any assumption fees and charges.
- f. Collect and retain any extension fees and forbearance fees.

(See Agency Agreement, at pages 4-5).

146. Thus, Scott Coles (with help from ML's lawyers) built into ML's agreements with the participants on the one hand and the borrowers on the other hand the right and opportunity to make significant fees regardless of how the particular loans may at any point be performing. Especially during the final 3 years of Scott Coles' life, these fees were significant, particularly with the monstrous size of the unreasonable loans Scott Coles was authorizing. These fees were extremely exorbitant, particularly given the fact that ML was committing little, if any, of its own money into any of these projects. Rather, ML's role seemed primarily to be a facilitator and agent in arranging for and servicing funding for loans that ML had originated. This placed ML – particularly Scott Coles, individually – right in the middle of borrowers and participants, creating not only significant fiduciary duties to participants, but also the serious possibility of a conflict of interest.

147. As the President and Chief Financial Officer of ML, and in his effort to continue to dominate and control the affairs of ML and the illegal enterprise alleged herein, Scott Coles communicated often with all participants in all programs of ML, whether it be Pass-Through, RevOp, or Pool participants. Scott Coles often communicated with these interested parties by mail and newsletter from ML. Scott Coles utilized the U.S. Mail system to communicate with these interested parties, including Plaintiffs. In these communications, Scott Coles routinely omitted material facts about the financial condition and status of loans at ML and, while at the same time reinforcing his request and agreement that he served as a fiduciary to each and every one of the participants who had committed money to ML in any of its programs.

148. Scott Coles' omissions and overt misrepresentations in his communications to his participants, including Plaintiffs, was calculated to either lure new participants into ML programs or persuade existing participants to remain with ML and continue to allow ML to function in its capacity as a loan servicing operation and thereby make additional fees. Scott Coles' letter of November 7, 2007 (Exhibit 6 hereto) typifies Scott Coles' fraudulent communications with ML participants. In that letter, Coles states that "our borrowers are bankable and their projects represent the best collateral available when the loans were made." Given what Coles knew about the monster loans he had agreed to during 2007, this statement was manifestly and materially misleading and false. Moreover, this letter, as well as many other letters, create the impression in the mind of the reader that "all is well" at ML, when in fact, just the opposite was true. In this letter, and others, Scott Coles failed to

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disclose the truth about the dangerous and deteriorating picture of ML's financial health. In each and every instance of communication with participants, Scott Coles deliberately chose to omit material disclosures.

- 149. There may be other misstatements and misrepresentations in Scott Coles' November 7, 2007 letter and others that will be revealed through further discovery in this matter.
- 150. The November 7, 2007 letter from Scott Coles to all participants is significant for another reason. It sets forth clearly and unequivocally Scott Coles' understanding and agreement that he was acting as a fiduciary to every participant in every program of ML, including Plaintiffs. In that letter, Scott Coles says "Our overarching commitment is to protect your principal and to ensure superior returns on your investment, which is why you have told us that you invest here... My father, Charles J. Coles, founded our company on one simple premise: integrity. Integrity is reflected in all that we do and how we do it. Living this passion is the cornerstone of Mortgages Ltd. When it comes to protecting and managing your wealth, especially in a highly competitive market place, integrity is the only asset that matters." Thus, Scott Coles acknowledged and, indeed, solicited the trust and confidence of every participant in every ML program, including Plaintiffs, with this language and language similar to it in other correspondence and communication directly to participants, including Plaintiffs. Coles wanted participants to believe that his role was to protect and manage their wealth, in particular, the cash principal each participant had placed at ML.

Even as late as April of 2008, Scott Coles was sending communications to participants, including Plaintiffs, that were materially misleading, while at the same time continuing to solicit and acknowledge their relationship of trust and confidence. For example, on approximately April 4, 2008, using the U.S Mail system to do so, Scott Coles sent a materially misleading letter to all participants (Scott Coles referred to them as "investors") relating to the Tempe Land Company loan and the Centerpoint Project. In that letter, Scott Coles says nothing to the participants of the troubles with that particular project or the loan itself. Scott Coles says nothing to the participants about ML's inability to fund the full amount of that loan. Rather, Scott Coles details for the investors certain and misleading and slanted observations about that project and, indeed, solicits the investors to participate in a new promissory note, calling it a "spectacular project." At the end of the letter, as with every communication with investors, Scott Coles solicits and acknowledges the relationship of trust and confidence to each participant, including Plaintiffs. He simply said "Once again, we appreciate your continued trust and support." (See Exhibit 7 hereto).

152. On April 14, 2008, in a letter to each participant, including Plaintiffs, Scott Coles announced a new "product" of ML – the "Value-To-Loan Opportunity Fund" (See Exhibit 8 hereto). In that correspondence, Scott Coles details the Value-To-Loan Opportunity Fund ("VTL") and calls it "one of the most innovative products Mortgages, Ltd. has created in its 45-year history and we have a patent pending on it." Essentially, the purpose of the VTL fund was to loan money to the Pools. However, in reality, the VTL program was nothing more than Scott Coles' veiled and misleading effort to continue to

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pump money into the Pools and to further mask the deepening and declining financial disaster at ML. However, Scott Coles did not announce nor market VTL in that way to Plaintiffs.

- Moreover, Scott Coles actively undertook to solicit and encourage existing participants, including RevOp Plaintiffs, to terminate their RevOp status and to move into the VTL or a Pool investment. Few, if any, RevOp Plaintiffs agreed to do that. However, in the process of soliciting those RevOp Plaintiffs to make such a change, Scott Coles never told them the truth about the true financial condition of ML, causing RevOp Plaintiffs to remain with ML.
- 154. Coles convened a general meeting on May 5, 2008 at the offices of ML in Phoenix, Arizona to promote and solicit participation in the VTL. At the top of the agenda for that meeting, Scott Coles put the following statement, attributed to him: "Though times may be difficult, together we will navigate through." Truly, Scott Coles saw himself as a fiduciary to each and every participant, including Plaintiffs.
- In short, Scott Coles entire way of doing business, and the foundation of his very effort to reach out and maintain relationships with participants, focused upon his acknowledgement that he personally owed a fiduciary obligation to each participant. In reality, Scott Coles controlled the mechanism by which all participants, including Plaintiff's, financial interests were managed, changed, and otherwise handled. He controlled Plaintiffs' property interests. Whenever Scott Coles would direct that one participant's interest in a loan be terminated and that that interest be put into another loan, he did so with

the express understanding that he owed a fiduciary obligation to that participant and all others.

of all material facts affecting all participants and their interests, whenever those interests were impacted. That duty required Scott Coles to act in Plaintiffs' best interest in handling and controlling that property interest. Unfortunately for Plaintiffs, Scott Coles breached that duty maliciously, regularly, and continuously, unbeknownst to Plaintiffs.

B. Coles Breaks His Father's Rules To Fuel ML's Reckless "Growth".

- 157. In order to facilitate a level of growth for ML that satisfied his increasing greed, Scott Coles had to break at least two of his father's fundamental underwriting rules on loans made to borrowers. In fact, because of Scott Coles, the underwriting function at ML became an illusion at ML unbeknown to Plaintiffs.
- 158. Scott Coles' father had built ML on conservative lending practices. Scott Coles' father made it a specific practice and policy of ML to never loan any one borrower more than \$20 million dollars. In addition, Mr. Charles Coles maintained a very conservative "loan-to-value ratio" on loans to borrowers. Paying hollow lip service to these fundamental principles, Scott Coles routinely told Plaintiffs that he would never make a loan to any one borrower more than \$20 million dollars and would maintain a loan-to-value ratio of no more than 50% on any one loan.
- 159. Eventually, the temptation to violate these fundamental principles became too great for Scott Coles. Under Scott Coles' way of doing business at ML, the higher the loan

amount to a borrower, the more money ML and Scott Coles would make. Furthermore, the more ML would loan to the borrower, the more "fractionalized interests" would be at Scott Coles' disposal to, in turn, sell to either incoming participants or any of ML's "Pools." The higher the loan-to-value ratio, the more fractionalized interests Scott Coles could pack into one loan. Thus, a loan that exceeded the \$20 million dollar historical limit and 50% loan-to-value ratio would allow ML to dramatically increase the fees it earned in its normal operations.

160. Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that he had relinquished his commitment to these underwriting principles.

1. Coles Conceals the Unlawful Activities and Role of Radical Bunny From Plaintiffs.

- 161. One of the key players in ML's rapid growth, especially over the past three years, has been an Arizona limited liability company known as "Radical Bunny, LLC" ("Radical Bunny"). The members of Radical Bunny are Tom Hirsch, Harish Shah, and Ms. Berta "Bunny" Walder. Radical Bunny is itself in bankruptcy.
- 162. During the entire time Radical Bunny had a business relationship with ML, neither Radical Bunny nor any of its management has held any banking license, mortgage license, or securities license. Radical Bunny has never registered any of its investment vehicles with either the State of Arizona or the Securities & Exchange Commission. Upon information and belief, Plaintiffs allege that Hirsch dominated and controlled the business affairs of Radical Bunny.

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Radical Bunny has been the investment advisor and manager of an alleged 163. fund known as the "Radical Bunny Fund" ("RB Fund"). Through this RB Fund, Radical Bunny funneled approximately \$197,000,000.00 to ML or the Pools. In purpose, practice, and effect, Radical Bunny and the RB Fund were instrumentalities of Scott Coles and ML designed and used for the sole purpose of providing funding for Scott Coles' discretionary and self-serving use within ML. As set forth in more detail below, Scott Coles knowingly and fraudulently concealed from Plaintiffs the true nature and role of the RB Fund and Radical Bunny. Based upon the conduct of Hirsch and Scott Coles, as described herein, Radical Bunny, together with the RB Fund, were part and parcel of the illegal enterprise that Scott Coles controlled. Scott Coles concealed these material facts about Radical Bunny from Plaintiffs, in order to induce Plaintiffs to either provide funds to ML or agree to leave funds with ML. Scott Coles wanted Plaintiffs to believe that their monies were safe with ML, when in fact they were not.

- In design, purpose, and effect, Radical Bunny (with the RB Fund) and ML were joint venture partners. As a result, funds Radical Bunny provided to ML may not have been loans at all. Rather, as a matter of law, they may have been contributions to ML's equity.
- The scheme Hirsch and Radical Bunny devised for capitalizing the RB Fund was more than suspicious. It was blatantly unlawful. Hirsch and Radical Bunny capitalized the RB Fund by selling "contracts for investments" to 900 mostly elderly and unsophisticated investors. Radical Bunny used open seminars at the Orange Tree Resort in

Scottsdale to solicit investors. During these seminars, Hirsch would walk up and down the aisle giving personal testimony to the financial acumen of Scott Coles. Mr. Hirsch promised financial rewards through ML to anyone that was willing to invest in the RB Fund. He guaranteed returns of 11 percent to those who were willing to accept Scott Coles' program. Hirsch counseled potential investors to mortgage their houses, if necessary.

166. In raising money, Hirsch and Radical Bunny failed to register any securities or conduct a suitability analysis of the investors. Hirsch and Radical Bunny also made material and outlandish misrepresentations of fact. For example, Hirsch would claim that the only risk associated with ML and its operations was a "dirty" bomb. Hirsch explained that the underlying real estate collateral and ML would always hold its value, regardless of the health of the developer-borrower, and that the only thing that could affect the value of the land was a nuclear contamination of the underlying real estate. Hirsch would be quick to state that, even in the face of such a catastrophe, ML could always look to the rich developer who borrowed the money to recover the principal loan amount. Radical Bunny's message was clear and unambiguous: ML and Scott Coles had thought about every potential issue and they were several steps ahead of any problem. According to Hirsch and Radical Bunny, this was a very safe investment and anyone would be foolish not to invest.

167. Scott Coles knew or should have known of the conduct of Hirsch, as described herein. Given the overt cheerleading Hirsch did for Coles at the Radical Bunny "revival meetings," and in light of the fact that Radical Bunny funneled the money it raised to Coles and ML, it is inconceivable that Scott Coles was unaware of the methods and conduct of

Hirsch and Radical Bunny in raising money. Thus, upon information and belief, Plaintiffs allege that Scott Coles knew of, agreed with, consented to, approved of, and otherwise ratified the methods and statements of Hirsch and Radical Bunny in their unlawful solicitations and receipt of monies from unaccredited investors.

benefited Scott Coles and ML. As further alleged below, Scott Coles made overt misrepresentations to participants, including Plaintiffs, that he had his own personal line of credit and that he had the "bank of Scott Coles" to fall back on to be allowed any bad loans and to take out any participants who were in these bad loans. In reality, Scott Coles had Radical Bunny and the RB Fund to use as his personal bank. Moreover, it is abundantly clear from the history of payments from Radical Bunny to ML that Scott Coles and Hirsch worked hand in hand to provide Scott Coles and ML with cash necessary to keep ML afloat and to continue to conceal the fraud and malfeasance of Scott Coles.

2. <u>Coles Makes Irresponsible Monster Loans and Puts</u> <u>Plaintiffs Into Those Loans, Knowing ML Could Not Fund</u> <u>Them.</u>

169. As alleged above, Scott Coles blatantly ignored the conservative and wise business practices of his father in making decisions about the size and nature of loans to make to borrowers, all calculated to feed the expanding growth of ML and provide Scott Coles and ML with exorbitant fees. In particular, beginning in late 2006 and continuing into 2007 and 2008, Scott Coles ignored not only his father's wise past business practices, but also the advice of others within ML, and made monster loans on huge projects within

attempt to handle these monster loans, Scott Coles built into these agreements the concept of a "delayed funding" process. Under this unreasonable lending practice, Scott Coles agreed to provide a large portion of the loan proceeds to borrowers in increments. Although Scott Coles knew ML was not able to fund these loans when made, he created this "delayed funding" process in order to cloak ML's inability to pay.

the Phoenix metropolitan area, knowing that ML could not fund those loans. In order to

- 170. Scott Coles' decision to make these monster loans was the epitome of arrogance and betrayal of his fiduciary duty to Plaintiffs.
- 171. In late 2006, Scott Coles began negotiations with Central PHX Partners, LLC for ML to provide funding and other construction loan services sufficient to complete the project known as "Chateaux on Central." On approximately March 9, 2007, escrow closed on the loan. The principal amount of the loan was \$47 million dollars. At the time Scott Coles agreed to and entered into this loan, he knew that ML did not have the financial resources to fully fund the loan. Indeed, Scott Coles had placed many Plaintiffs in the Chateaux loan knowing that ML did not have the financial resources to fund it, but did not tell that to the participants he placed in that loan.
- been referred to in the ML bankruptcy as the "Grace Entities," consisting of Osborn III Partners, LLC, 44th & Camelback Property, LLC, Central & Monroe, LLC, Portales Place Property, LLC, and 70th Street Property, LLC. Scott Coles agreed to a total loan commitment to these collective entities in the approximate amount of \$120 million. At the

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27 28 time Scott Coles agreed to the loan commitments to Grace Entities, Scott Coles knew that ML could not and would not have the financial ability to fully fund that loan. Despite this, Scott Coles solicited new participants to acquire fractionalized interests in the Grace Entities loans and placed existing participants, including Plaintiffs, in those loans, in violation of his fiduciary duty. He placed various participants, including Plaintiffs, in these loans in violation of his fiduciary duty.

- 173. On approximately March 21, 2007, Scott Coles caused ML to issue a loan commitment to Tempe Land Company ("TLC") in the designated loan amount of \$150,200,000.00 to enable TLC to develop the "Centerpoint Project" next to Tempe Town Lake in Tempe, Arizona. TLC executed and delivered to ML a promissory note dated March 20, 2007 in the designated loan amount of \$150,200,000.00, together with a deed of trust and other security documents.
- Upon information and belief, Plaintiffs allege that the Centerpoint Project was and is a poorly conceived and executed development plan on the part of TLC. Plaintiffs allege, upon information and belief, that Scott Coles knew or should have known that TLC's development plan for the Centerpoint Project required funds far beyond the \$150 million dollar level and that the Centerpoint Project, as conceived, was not capable of full and final development.
- At the time Scott Coles agreed to the TLC loan, he knew that ML could not fully fund that loan. Despite that, Scott Coles solicited Plaintiffs to acquire fractionalized In order to entice Plaintiffs to agree to acquire these interests in the TLC loan.

fractionalized interests, Scott Coles knowingly failed to disclose to Plaintiffs the true financial condition of ML, including but not limited to the fact that ML could not fully fund the TLC loan and that the Centerpoint Project was ill-conceived and not capable of completion as presented. Moreover, for those Plaintiffs who were, at the time of the TLC loan, already owners of fractionalized interests or participants in the Pools, Scott Coles unilaterally moved certain Plaintiffs into the TLC loan, knowing that ML could never fund that loan and that the Project itself was ill-conceived.

- \$130 million dollar loan commitment to University & Ash, LLC. Scott Coles agreed to this loan commitment knowing that ML could not fund it. However, Scott Coles never told any Plaintiff that fact either prior to any Plaintiff agreeing to acquire a fractionalized interest in the University & Ash loan or prior to Scott Coles' unilateral decision to move any existing "investor" into that loan.
- 177. Also at this approximate time, Scott Coles agreed to a \$190 million dollar loan commitment to Rightpath Limited Development Group, LLC and others, for development of the Los Angeles Dodgers training facility in Glendale, Arizona. At the time he agreed to that loan commitment in May of 2007, Scott Coles knew that ML could not fund that entire loan commitment. He likewise knew of the TLC commitment and the impending University & Ash commitment. Despite this knowledge, Scott Coles solicited Plaintiffs to acquire fractionalized interests in the Rightpath loan and, in many cases, unilaterally placed

 existing "investors" in that loan without disclosing the truth about ML's financial condition and capacity.

exorbitant and otherwise unreasonable loan commitments to borrowers, knowing that ML did not have the ability to fund those loans. Scott Coles then solicited Plaintiffs to acquire fractionalized interests in those loans or unilaterally placed existing investors/Plaintiffs in those loans, without disclosing the truth to those Plaintiffs about the financial condition and capacity of ML or the viability of any respective project for which the loans had been made. Scott Coles agreed to these unreasonable loans in order to maximize the opportunity for ML and, consequently himself, to earn increasingly exorbitant fees. This fleecing of participants was a malicious breach of Scott Coles' fiduciary duty to those participants, including Plaintiffs.

C. <u>Coles Hides ML's Catastrophic Financial Condition From Investors.</u>

179. In order to continue to attract new money into ML and to avoid existing "investors" from making a "run on the bank," Scott Coles knew he could never disclose to prospective or existing participants the true and worsening financial condition of ML, particularly beginning in early 2007. By at least the time of the Grace Entities transaction, and most likely before, Scott Coles knew that ML was insolvent and that its financial statements were materially misstated and were, in fact, misleading existing and prospective

participants and borrowers. Scott Coles had a duty to tell participants, including Plaintiffs, the truth about that.

1. <u>Coles Knew That ML's Financial Statements Were</u> Materially Misstated.

180. Scott Coles controlled the financial statements of ML. By at least the end of 2006, and most likely before, Scott Coles knew that the financial statements of ML were materially misstated. In particular, but not by way of limitation, by at least the end of 2006 and most likely before, Scott Coles knew that the financial statements of ML materially misstated the value of loans ML reflected on its financial statements. Scott Coles knew that the financial statements reflected no impairment to or reserve for troubled loans. Furthermore, Scott Coles knowingly failed to report the declining value of its real estate portfolio. The financial statements of ML likewise failed to accrue a reserve for a \$6 million dollar loan to the SMC Trust and did not disclose that ML had guaranteed a \$12 million dollar loan taken out by SM Coles, LLC. Scott Coles controlled these omissions and, with the active and substantial assistance of ML's accountants and lawyers, kept that information off the financial statements of ML and away from the existing and prospective participants, including Plaintiffs.

181. Had Scott Coles allowed ML's financial statements to accurately reflect the true financial condition of ML, including but not limited to, appropriate adjustments described herein, those adjustments would have had, at a minimum, a negative impact of approximately \$57.5 million dollars as of May 31, 2008. ML's stated equity of its sole

shareholder (the SMC Trust) would have gone from approximately \$9.8 million dollars to a negative equity of \$47.7 million dollars. Thus, the materially misstated financial statements of ML directly benefited Scott Coles and the SMC Trust and enabled Scott Coles to continue to control not only ML, but also the illegal enterprise alleged herein.

- 182. Moreover, according to a 2008 audit of the financial statements of ML by the Arizona State Department of Financial Institutions, ML, under the control of Scott Coles, failed to observe generally accepted accounting principles in preparation of its financial statements. In particular, the ADFI's 2008 audit concluded that in its May 31, 2008 unaudited financial statements, ML failed to record mortgages held for investment and sale at the lower cost of fair market value. In addition, ML failed to recognize on its financial statements that the cost of mortgages held as security for RevOp participants exceeded their fair market value. According to the audit, ML failed to recognize the decline in fair market value of its real estate investments held for sale, failed to access the collectibility of a \$6 million dollar note receivable from Scott Coles, and failed in other material ways to properly and adequately maintain its financial statements.
- 183. There may be other deficiencies and misstatements under generally accepted accounting principles in ML's financial statements, including any and all financial statements published in any private offering memorandum of ML for any of its programs.
- 184. Moreover, Scott Coles knew that the appraisals he obtained on various potential loans and projects were materially overstated. In addition, but not by way of limitation, Scott Coles knew of and ratified the unlawful activities of Hirsch and Radical

damages.

Bunny, as set forth above, and knew that the financial statements of ML did not accurately reflect that unlawful activity.

and active assistance from professionals such as accountants and lawyers in not only maintaining ML's materially misstated financial statements, but also establishing and controlling the illegal enterprise alleged herein. It is not the purpose of this case to bring those claims against ML's professionals at the present time. Therefore, nothing in this Complaint should be construed as relinquishing or releasing any professional or other agent of Scott Coles or ML from any and all liability for their conduct relating to the business of ML in any way.

IV. CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

COUNT ONE

(Breach of Fiduciary Duty)

- 186. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 187. As alleged herein, Scott Coles personally owed each Plaintiff a fiduciary duty.
- 188. As alleged herein, Scott Coles breached that fiduciary duty, proximately causing each Plaintiff damage.
- 189. In breaching his fiduciary duty to each Plaintiff, Scott Coles acted willfully, intentionally, maliciously, and with an evil mind, justifying the imposition of punitive

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott M. Coles as follows:

- A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial;
- B. For punitive damages in an amount to be established in the sound discretion of the jury;
- C. Inasmuch as the fiduciary duty of Scott Coles to each Plaintiff arose in sufficient part out of contract, for each Plaintiff's costs and reasonable attorney's fees, pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-341.01; and
- D. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

COUNT TWO

(Common Law Fraud)

- 190. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 191. As alleged herein, Scott Coles made material misrepresentations to each Plaintiff about the financial condition and status of the business of ML. In addition, as alleged herein, Scott Coles omitted and otherwise failed to disclose material facts that would have given Plaintiffs and accurate understanding of the financial condition and status of business of ML. As alleged herein, Scott Coles made the following misrepresentations and omissions to each Plaintiff, including but not limited to, the following:

- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that ML could not fund the monster loans to the Grace Entities, Central PHX Partners, Rightpath Limited Development Group, LLC, and Tempe Land Company;
- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that, by the summer of 2007, major borrowers were in default;
- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs the true nature and role of Radical Bunny in the financial affairs of ML;
- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that the audited and unaudited financial statements of ML were materially misstated and that, in fact, ML was insolvent;
- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that he no longer deemed it important to comply with ML's historic underwriting practices of limiting loans to any borrower to \$20 million dollars and limiting the loan-to-value ratio to 50%;
- Scott Coles made other misrepresentations and material omissions that induced Plaintiffs to rely to their detriment, as will be revealed through further investigation and discovery and will be the subject of further amendments to this Complaint.

 192. Scott Coles made these misrepresentations and omissions to Plaintiffs intending to deceive them and intending that they justifiably rely on them to either place money with ML for use in one of ML's investment programs or to allow ML to retain monies previously placed with ML for that purpose. Furthermore, Scott Coles made these misrepresentations and omissions in order to conceal his wrongdoing and the wrongdoing of his illegal enterprise.

- 193. In fact, Plaintiffs justifiably relied upon the misrepresentations and omissions of Scott Coles in making their respective decisions on whether to place money in ML for use in one of ML's investment programs or allow ML to retain monies previously placed for that purpose. Consequently, Plaintiffs relied upon misrepresentations and omissions to their detriment.
- 194. As a direct and proximate result of the misrepresentations and fraudulent omissions of Scott Coles, as set forth in this Complaint, each Plaintiff has been damaged.
- 195. In making his fraudulent misrepresentations and omissions as alleged herein, Scott Coles acted willfully, intentionally, and with an evil mind, justifying the imposition of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott M. Coles as follows:

A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial;

- B. For punitive damages in an amount to be established in the sound discretion of the jury; and
- C. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

COUNT THREE

(Negligent Misrepresentation)

- 196. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 197. As alleged herein, Scott Coles made material misrepresentations to each Plaintiff about the financial condition and status of the business of ML. In addition, as alleged herein, Scott Coles omitted and otherwise failed to disclose material facts that would have given Plaintiffs and accurate understanding of the financial condition and status of business of ML. As alleged herein, Scott Coles made the following misrepresentations and omissions to each Plaintiff:
 - Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that ML could not fund the monster loans to the Grace Entities, Central PHX Partners, Rightpath Limited Development Group, LLC, and Tempe Land Company;
 - Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that, by the summer of 2007, major borrowers were in default;
 - Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs the true nature and role of Radical Bunny in the financial affairs of ML;

- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that the audited and unaudited financial statements of ML were materially misstated and that, in fact, ML was insolvent; and
- Scott Coles failed to disclose to Plaintiffs that he no longer deemed it important to comply with ML's historic underwriting practices of limiting loans to any borrower to \$20 million dollars and limiting the loan-to-value ratio to 50%;
 - Scott Coles made other misrepresentations and material omissions that induced Plaintiffs to rely to their detriment, as will be revealed through further investigation and discovery and will be the subject of further amendments to this Complaint.
- 198. Plaintiffs justifiably relied upon the misrepresentations and omissions of Scott Coles in making their respective decisions on whether to place money in ML for use in one of ML's investment programs or allow ML to retain monies previously placed for that purpose. Consequently, Plaintiffs relied upon misrepresentations and omissions to their detriment.
- 199. As a direct and proximate result of the misrepresentations and fraudulent omission of Scott Coles, as set forth in this Complaint, Plaintiffs have been damaged.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott M. Coles as follows:

- A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial; and
- B. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

COUNT FOUR

(Consumer Fraud)

- 200. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 201. As alleged herein, Scott Coles employed deception, deceptive acts or practices, fraud, false pretenses, false promises, misrepresentations, and concealment, suppression and omission of material facts with the intent that Plaintiffs rely upon such concealment, suppression, or omission in connection with the sale or advertisement of merchandise within the State of Arizona, in violation of Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act, A.R.S. §44-1521.
- 202. As a direct and proximate result of Scott Coles' misconduct, Plaintiffs have been damaged.
- 203. Scott Coles acted willfully, intentionally, maliciously, and with an evil mind, justifying the imposition of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott M. Coles as follows:

- A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial;
- B. For punitive damages in an amount to be established in the sound discretion of the jury;
- C. For each Plaintiff's costs and reasonable attorney's fees;
- D. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

COUNT FIVE

(Fraud in the Purchase/Sale of Securities: Arizona)

- 204. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 205. As alleged herein, Scott Coles made material misrepresentations and omissions to Plaintiffs, intending thereby to influence Plaintiffs in their decision to either acquire securities or retain securities previously acquired. Scott Coles' misconduct constitutes fraud in the purchase or sale of securities, in violation of A.R.S. §44-1991.
- 206. Moreover, Scott Coles was a control person over ML and liable under A.R.S. §44-1999.
- 207. Scott Coles acted willfully, intentionally, and with an evil mind, justifying the imposition of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott M. Coles as follows:

- A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial;
- B. For punitive damages in an amount to be established in the sound discretion of the jury;
- C. For each Plaintiff's costs and reasonable attorney's fees, pursuant to A.R.S. §44-2002.
- D. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

COUNT SIX

(Fraud in the Purchase/Sale of Securities: Federal)

- 208. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 209. As alleged herein, Scott Coles made untrue statements of material fact or omitted to state material facts, the untruth or omission of which Plaintiffs did not know at the time of Scott Coles' representations or the issuance or presentation of any private offering memorandum to Plaintiffs.
- 210. Scott Coles made the foregoing misrepresentations in connection with the offer to sell or a sale of a security and by means of interstate commerce or the mails through a written prospectus or oral communication related to that prospectus.
- 211. In making these misrepresentations in connection with the sale of securities, Scott Coles was motivated by a desire to serve his own financial interests or those of ML and its affiliates.

- 212. As a direct and proximate result of Scott Coles' misrepresentations in connection with sale of securities, as alleged herein, each Plaintiff has suffered actual damages.
- 213. As alleged herein, Scott Coles' conduct violates Section 12(2) of the 1933 Securities Act, 15 U.S.C.A. § 771(a)(2).
- 214. Moreover, Scott Coles was a control person over ML pursuant to 15 U.S.C.A. § 770.
- 215. Plaintiffs have elected to bring this Section 12(2) claim in this Court. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this case. There is no complete diversity in this case.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott M. Coles as follows:

- A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial;
- B. For prejudgment interest pursuant to 15 U.S.C.A. § 771(a)(2);
- C. For each Plaintiff's costs and reasonable attorney's fees pursuant to Section 11(e) of the 1933 Act, 15 U.S.C.A. § 77k(e); and
- D. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

COUNT SEVEN

(Illegal Control of an Enterprise: A.R.S. § 13-2314.04)

- 216. Plaintiffs incorporate herein all foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.
- 217. As alleged herein, Scott Coles formed, operated, maintained, and actively concealed and financially benefited from an enterprise, as defined in A.R.S. § 13-2301 (D)(2). That enterprise consisted of the association in fact of Radical Bunny, Tom Hirsch, the SMC Trust, SMC Coles, LLC, and ML.
- 218. As alleged herein, Scott Coles acquired and maintained control of the enterprise as defined in A.R.S. § 13-2301 (D)(1).
- 219. As alleged herein, Scott Coles committed illegal control of an enterprise by acquiring and maintaining control of the enterprise through racketeering.
- 220. As alleged herein, Plaintiffs have sustained reasonably foreseeable injury through a pattern of racketeering activity, or by a violation of A.R.S. § 13-2312 involving a pattern of racketeering activity, as alleged herein.
- 221. As alleged herein, the pattern of unlawful activity consists of at least two acts involving mail fraud, wire fraud, and a scheme or artifice to defraud, the last act of which occurred within five years of the prior act. As alleged herein, the unlawful acts were related to each other and amounted to or posed a threat of continued unlawful activity. The unlawful acts had the same of similar purposes, results, participants, victims, and methods of commission.

- 222. As a direct, foreseeable, and proximate result of the pattern of unlawful activity of Scott Coles, Plaintiffs have been damaged.
- 223. In carrying out the pattern of unlawful activity, as alleged herein, Scott Coles acted intentionally, willfully, maliciously, and with an evil mind, justifying the imposition of punitive damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs each pray for judgment against the Estate of Scott Coles as follows:

- A. For all direct and consequential damages, in an amount to be established at trial, trebled pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-2314.04 (A);
- B. For Plaintiffs' costs and reasonable attorneys fees pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-2314.04;
- C. For punitive damages in an amount to be established in the sound discretion of the jury; and
- D. For all other relief justified under the circumstances of this case.

 DATED this 30th day of April, 2009.

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