IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

CHARLESTON DIVISION

WESBANCO BANK, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:19-cv-00821 HONORABLE IRENE C. BERGER

TODD LESSER

Defendant.

PLAINTIFF WESBANCO BANK, INC.'S MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT

Plaintiff, WesBanco Bank, Inc., a West Virginia banking corporation ("WesBanco"), by counsel, pursuant to Rule 55(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, this Court's March 31, 2020 Order directing entry of default against Defendant Todd Lesser (the "Defendant") (Doc. 9), and the March 31, 2020 Entry of Default by Clerk against the Defendant (Doc. 11) moves for an entry of default judgment against the Defendant. In support of its Motion, WesBanco states as follows:

- 1. On November 20, 2019, WesBanco filed the instant action for money judgment on the outstanding deficiency balance owed on a loan made by WesBanco to the Defendant (the "Note").
- 2. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the Defendant because the Defendant's activities within the Southern District of West Virginia give rise to sufficient contacts for this Court to exercise jurisdiction. The Defendant: (a) approached WesBanco at its offices in Charleston, West Virginia, and applied for the loans with WesBanco at its offices in Charleston, West Virginia; (b) funds were extended by WesBanco at its offices in Charleston, West Virginia to the Defendant;

- (c) the loans were payable to WesBanco at its offices in Charleston, West Virginia; (d) the purpose of the loan was to finance the Defendant's acquisition of an office building in Charleston, West Virginia; (e) the loan was secured by the office building; and (f) the indebtedness that is the subject of the Complaint is the deficiency balance on the loan following a foreclosure sale conducted in Charleston, West Virginia.
- 3. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction based upon diversity of the parties pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 because WesBanco is incorporated in the state of West Virginia, doing business in the Southern District of West Virginia. The Defendant is a California resident. WesBanco is entitled to judgment exceeding \$75,000.
- 4. The Complaint against the Defendant seeks judgment for the balance due on the Note. Based on the Affidavit of James Sweeney, Vice President at WesBanco, attached as **Exhibit A**, the payoff balance was \$136,983.69, on March 31, 2020, and the Note accrues interest as a daily rate of \$11.90 each day after March 31, 2020.
- 5. In addition to the payoff loan balance due, WesBanco seeks judgment for its legal fees and costs associated with preparing and pursuing the Complaint against the Defendant. The Note, attached as **Exhibit B**, provides in the paragraph titled "Attorneys' Fees; Expenses," the following:

Lender may hire or pay someone else to help collect this Note if Borrower does not pay. Borrower will pay Lender that amount. This includes, subject to any limits under applicable law, Lender's attorneys' fees and Lenders' legal expenses, whether or not there is a lawsuit, including attorneys' fees, expenses for bankruptcy proceedings (including efforts to modify or vacate any automatic stay or injunction), and appeals. If not prohibited by applicable law, Borrower also will pay any court costs, in addition to all other sums provided by law.

- 6. The law firm Flaherty Sensabaugh Bonasso, PLLC has billed WesBanco the sum of \$5,755.00 in legal fees and costs for preparing and pursuing the Complaint against the Defendant in this civil action. *See* Aff. of James W. Lane, Jr., attached as **Exhibit C**.
- 7. WesBanco seeks judgment for the Note balance of \$136,983.69 and legal fees and costs of \$5,755.00.

Allegations

- 8. On February 18, 2020, the Defendant was properly served in La Jolla, California by substitute service at his primary residence by a private investigator hired by WesBanco, Mr. Gregory Long. (*See* Aff. of Service of Gregory Long, attached as **Exhibit D**). The return of service was filed with this Court on or about March 19, 2020 (Doc. 7).
- 9. On multiple occasions, prior to service, the Defendant evaded WesBanco's attempts at effectuating service of process on him. (*See id*).
- 10. The Defendant was served with the summons and Complaint pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(e)(2)(B). (See id.); (see also Doc. 7)
- 11. District courts have found the tactics utilized by private investigator Gregory Long in effectuating service of process on the Defendant to be proper where, like the Defendant in this case, a defendant attempts to evade service or refuses to accept service. *See Travelers Cas. & Sur. Co. of Am. v. Brenneke*, 551 F.3d 1132, 1135 (9th Cir. 2009) ("If the defendant attempts to evade service or refuses to accept delivery after being informed by the process server of the nature of the papers, it usually is sufficient for the process server to touch the party to be served with the papers and leave them in the defendant's presence or, if a touching is impossible, simply to leave them in the defendant's physical proximity. It is not crucial in these circumstances that the defendant does not take the papers into his or her possession. Since this procedure satisfies the objective of giving

notice to the party to be served, it seems to be entirely sufficient to satisfy the delivery requirement Rule 4(e)(2).") (quoting 4A Wright & Miller, Fed. Prac. & Proc. § 1095 at 516–17 (3d ed. 2002)).

- 12. On March 31, 2020, the Clerk of Court made entry of default against the Defendant for failure to answer, plead, or otherwise defend this matter. (Doc. 11)
- 13. On April 10, 2020, the Return Receipt Card for the Clerk's Entry of Default (the "Return Receipt Card") was accepted and signed by an individual at the Defendant's primary residence. (Doc. 12) The Return Receipt Card was signed with the notation "C-19" in the recipient signature block and the individual who signed did not refuse delivery on the basis that the Defendant did not reside there.
- 14. Pursuant to the Clerk of Court's entry of default against the Defendant, entry of Default Judgment by the Clerk of Court is proper as it relates to WesBanco's economic damages pursuant to Rule 55(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 15. Rule 55(b)(1) permits the Clerk to enter a default judgment against a defendant. Rule 55(b)(1) states, "[i]f the plaintiff's claim is for a sum certain or a sum that can be made certain by computation, the clerk on the plaintiff's request, with an affidavit showing the amount due must enter judgment for that amount and costs against a defendant who has been defaulted for not appearing and who is neither a minor nor an incompetent person."
 - a. Pursuant to Rule 55(b)(1), WesBanco's claim for economic damages has been made certain by computation, and as such, WesBanco respectfully requests the Clerk of Court enter a default judgment against the Defendant for \$136,983.69 plus legal fees and costs of \$5,755.00, plus interest continuing to accrue on the judgment until paid in full;

16. In the event the Court determines the Plaintiff's sum certain computation of damages does not satisfy the requirements of Rule 55(b)(1), WesBanco alternatively requests that the Court enter a default judgment and set a hearing to determine the total amount of the economic damages WesBanco has suffered as a result of the events giving rise to this cause of action.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, Plaintiff WesBanco Bank, Inc. respectfully requests that the Clerk of Court enter a default judgment against the Defendant, Todd Lesser, for \$136,983.69 plus legal fees and costs of \$5,755.00, plus interest continuing to accrue on the judgment until paid in full.

Respectfully Submitted,

WESBANCO BANK, INC.

By Counsel,

/s/ William J. Aubel

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AFFIDAVIT

- I, James Sweeney, Vice President at WesBanco Bank, Inc. ("WesBanco"), do hereby solemnly swear:
- 1. I am familiar with the materials contained in the loan files giving rise to the above-stated cause of action.
- 2. On November 12, 2004, Defendant signed a Promissory Note (the "Note") payable to WesBanco in the original principal amount due of \$720,000.00, payable in monthly installments.
- 3. To secure repayment of the Note, Defendant granted WesBanco a deed of trust on real property located at 206 Capitol Street, Charleston, WV 25301 (the "Property"). A copy of the deed of trust is attached to this Affidavit as **Exhibit 1**.
- 4. Defendant defaulted under the terms of the Note for failing to make required payments and, accordingly, WesBanco foreclosed on the Property.
- 5. On March 15, 2018, a Trustee under the deed of trust sold the Property by way of a public foreclosure sale. At the time of the foreclosure sale, the payoff balance due on the Note was \$328,954.20. A complete history of the payments on the Note is attached to this Affidavit as **Exhibit 2**.
- 6. The Property sold for \$242,000.00. Expenses associated with conducting the foreclosure sale were \$28,823.51, resulting in net sale proceeds of \$213,176.49 applied to the Note.
- 7. As of March 31, 2020, the outstanding deficiency balance due and owing is \$136,983.69.

I reviewed the Exhibits attached to WesBanco's Motion for Default Judgment,

and the said documents are true and correct copies of the	e documents they purport to be.
Executed: AFRIL /OTh, 2020.	
	James Sweeney, Vice President WesBanco Bank, Inc.
STATE OF West Virginia: COUNTY OF OHIO:	
Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me by James Bank, Inc., on APRIL 10, 2020.	Sweeney, Vice President at WesBanco
My commission expires: $3-19-2025$.	
Notary Public: Horonica An Berisford.	OFFICIAL SEAL NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA VERONICA M. BERISFORD WesBanco Bank Inc. One Bank Plaza Wheeling, West Virginia 26003 My Commission Expires Feb. 19, 2025

WHEN RECORDED MAIL 1 Westence Bank, Inc. 1 Bank Plaza Wheefing, WY 26003

SEND TAX NOTICES TO: Todd Lesser 2717 Hidden Valley Road Le Jolle, CA 92037

THIS DEED OF TRUST is dated November 12, 2004, among Todd Lesser, whose address is 2717 Hidde Valley Road, La Jolla, CA 92037 ("Grantor"); WesBanco Bank, Inc., whose address is West Side Office, 30 Tennessee Avenue, Charleston, WV 25302 (referred to below sometimes as "Lender" and sometimes a "Beneficiary"); and Matthew D. Smith, whose address is in the County of, Kanawha, WV (referred to below a "Trustee").

CONVEYANCE AND GRANT. For end in consideration of the indebtedness and trusts set forth in this Deed of Trust and the aum of ten dollars (#10.00) cash in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby scknowledged, Grantor does hereby GRANT and CONVEY unto Truste, with power of sale, the following described real property, together with all existing or subsequently erected or effixed buildings, improvements and fixtures; all easements, rights of way, and appurtenances; all water, water rights and disturbing efficientling stock in utilities with disch or intigation rights); and all other rights, royelibes, and profits relating to the real property, including without limitation any right, title and interest of Grantor in all minarals, oil, gas, geothermal and similar matters, (the "Real Property") located in Kanwha County, State of West Virginia:

See Exhibit "A", which is attached to this Deed of Trust and made a part of this Deed of Trust as if fully set forth herein,

The Real Property or its address is commonly known as 206 Capitol Street, Charleston, WV 25301-2218.

The Property covered by this Deed of Trust specifically includes all fixtures, now or heraster located on the Real Property, and this Deed of Trust shall serve as a fixture filing for purposes of West Virginia law.

Grantor presently assigns to Lender (also known as Beneficiary in this Deed of Trust) all of Grantor's right, title, and interest in and to all present and future leases of the Property and all Rents from the Property. In addition, Grantor grants to Lender a Uniform Commercial Code security interest in the Personal Property and Rents.

THIS DEED OF TRUST, INCLUDING THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE INDESTEDNESS AND (8) PERFORMANCE OF ANY AND ALL OBLIGATIONAL UNDER THE NOTE, THE RELATED DOCUMENTS, AND THIS DEED OF TRUST. THIS DEED OF TRUST IS GIVEN AND ACCEPTED ON THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE. Except as otherwise provided in this Deed of Trust, Grantor shall pay to Lender all amounts secured by this Deed of Trust as they become due, and shall strictly and in a timely manner perform all of Grantor's obligations under the Note, this Deed of Trust, and the Related Documents.

POSSESSION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PROPERTY. Grantor agrees that Grantor's possession and use of the Property shall be governed by the following provisions:

Possession and Use. Until the occurrence of an Event of Default, Grantor may (1) remain in possession and control of the Property;

Duty to Maintain. Grantor shall maintain the Property is the Property.

Duty to Maintain. Grantor shall maintain the Property in tenantable condition and promptly perform all repairs, replacements, and maintenance necessary to preserve its value.

Compliance With Environmental Laws. Grantor represents and warrants to Lender that: (1) During the period of Grantor's ownership of the Property, thane has been no use, generation, manufacture, storage, treatment, disposal, release or threatened release of any Environmental Laws. (b) any person on, under, about or from the Property; (2) Grantor has no knowledge of, or reason to delive that there has been, except as previously disclosed to and extrowvledged by Lander in writing, (s) any preach or violation of any Environmental Laws. (b) any use, generation, manufacture, storage, treatment disposal, release or threatened release of any threatened litigation or claims of any kind by any person relating to such matters; and (3) Except as previously disclosed to and extrawvledged by Lander in writing. (a) neither Grantor nor any tenant, contractor, agent or other authorized user of the Property, and shall use, generate, manufacture, store, treat, dispose of or release any Hazardous Substance on, under, about or from the Property and (b) any such estivity shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and

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Nulsance, Waste, Grantor shall not cause, conduct or otherwise and passing the general to the property or any portion of the Property. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Grantor will not remove, any timber, minerals (including oil and gas), coal, clay, scorie, soil, gravel or rock products any parton.

moval of improvements. Grantor shall not demolish or remove any improvements from the Real Property without Lender's prior itten consent. As a condition to the removal of any improvements, Lender may require Grantor to make arrangements satisfactory Lender to taplace such improvements with improvements of at least equal value.

Lander's Right to Enter. Lender and Lender's agents and representatives may enter upon the Real Property at ell reasonable times to attend to Lender's interests and to inspect the Real Property for purposes of Grantor's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Deed of Trust.

Compliance with Governmental Requirements. Grantor shall promptly comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations, now or hereafter in effect, of all governmentals authoridise papelicable to the use or occupancy of the Popparty including without literation, the Armeicana With Databilidae Act. Grantor may conteat in good sith any earth law, ordinance, or regulation and withhold compliance activing any proceeding, including appeals, so long as Grantor has notified Lander in writting prior to doing us and and only as in Lander's sold and process are not leopardized. Lander may are and withhold compliance as in Lander's a surety bond, reasonably statistation to be act as an experient Grantor agrees neither to bashold or leave unstanded the Property. Grantor spreas neither to bashold or leave unstanded the Property. Grantor spreas neither to bashold or leave unstanded the Property. Grantor spreas neither to bashold or leave unstanded the Property. Grantor spreasonably statistation, which from the character and use of the Property are reasonably necessary to protact any preserve the Property. A "sele or transfer" was the conveyance of feel Property or any faint in the flowers the property. A "sele or transfer, without Lander's prior with contract and use of the property or lander man are conveyance of the allowers. The conversation of the property or any faint in the flowers this option shall not be available to the Real Property or any faint in the inference of the property and the property or any faint in the selection of the property and the conveyance of an interest in the faint property and the conveyance of an interest in the faint of the decision of the property or any faint in the faint of the foreign of the property and the property are any faint or the faint of the transfer of the property or any faint in the faint of the foreign of the faint or the faint of the foreign of the faint of the forei

Netice of Construction. Grantor shall notify Lender at least fifteen (15) days before any work is commenced, any services are furnished, or any materials are supplied to the Property, if any mechanic's llen, materialmen's lien, or other lien could be asserted on account of the work, services, or materials. Grantor will upon request of Lender furnish to Lender advance assurances satisfactory to Lender that Grantor can and will pay the cost of such improvements.

PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE. The following provisions relating to insuring the Property are a part of this Deed of Trust,

LEUDER'S EXPENDITURES. If any action or proceeding is commenced that would meterially effect Lender's interest in the Property or if Grantor falls to comply with any provision of this Deed of Trust or any Related Documents, Including but not limited to Grantor's fallure to dischagge or pay when due any amounts Grantor is required to dischagge or pay whole with Board of Trust any any amounts of control to the payable with any provision of this payable with any appropriate, including but not limited to Grantor's fallure to dischagging or paying all tosts of insuring, waintaining and preserving the Property. All such schedules incurred or paid by Lander to recurry including but not limited in may be appropriate, including but not limited to preserve and other claims, at any time levised or placed on the Property and payable with any installment payments incurred or paid by Lender to such purposes will then bear interest at the rate charged under the Note from the date incurred or paid by Lender to each or payable with any installment payments to be payable or the All payable with any installment payments to become due during either (11) the term balance of the Note and be payable with any installment payments to become due during either (11) the term of any applicable insurance policy; or (2) the remaining term of the Note; or (C) be treated as a balloon payment which will be due and payable with any installment payments to become due during either (11) the term rights and remedies to which Lender may be entitled upon Default.

WARRANITY; DEFENSE OF TITLE. The following provisions relating to ownership of the Property are a part of this bear of all other rights and removerbances extent than the payable with any action or in any tide insurance policy, tide report, or final tide opinion latued in fevor of, and accepted by, Lender in connection with this Deed of Trust, and (15) the connection with this Deed of Trust, and Grantor than any action or proceeding is commenced that questions Grantor was and delivers to the

Current Taxes. Fees and Charges. Upon request by Lender, Grantor shall execute such documents in addition to this Dead of Trust and Take whatever other ection is requested by Lender to perfect and confinue Lender's lien on the Real Property. Grantor shall reimburss Lender for all taxes, as described below, together with all expenses incurred in recording, perfecting or continuing this Dead of Trust, including without limitation all taxes, fees, documentary stamps, and other charges for recording or registering this Dead of Trust.

Taxes. The following shall constitute taxes to which this section applies: (1) a specific tax upon this type of Dead of Trust or upon all or any part of the Indebtedness secured by this type of Dead of Trust; (2) a tax on this type of Dead of Trust or payments or the Indebtedness secured by this type of Dead of Trust; (3) a tax on this type of Dead of Trust charges the Lander or the holder of the Note; and (4) a specific tax on all or any portion of the Indebtedness or on payments of principal and interest made by Grantor.

Subsequent Taxes. If any tax to which this section applies is enacted subsequent to the date of this Dead of Trust; (3) a tax on this type of Dead of Trust. Subsequent Taxes. If any tax to which this section applies is enacted subsequent to the date of this Dead of Trust; this event of Defatut, as provided below unless Grantor either (1) pays the tax before it becomes delinquent, or (2) contests the tax as provided ebove in the Taxes and Libras section and deposits with Lander mas a sufficient compones delinquent, or (2) contests the tax as provided ebove in the Taxes and Libras section and deposits with Lander cash or a sufficient compones delinquent, or (2) contests the as a security agreement are a part of this Dead of Trust:

Security Agreement. This instrument shall constitute a Security Agreement to the extent any of the Property constitutes fixtures, an Lender shall have all of the rights of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code as emended from time to time. Security interest, Upon request by Lender, Grantor shall take whatever action is requested by Lender to perfect and continue Lender' security interest in the Rents and Personal Property. In addition to recording this Deed of Trust in the real property records, Lende may, at any time and without further authorization from Grantor, flow the occured counterparts, copies or reproductions of this Deed or Trust as a financing statement. Grantor shall reimburse Lender for all expenses incurred in perfecting or continuing this securit interest. Upon default, Gentrot shall reimburse Lender for all expenses incurred in perfecting or continuing this securit interests any Personal Property and efficient of the Property. Upon default, Gentror shall assemble and make it evallable to Lender within three (3) days after receipt of written demand from Lender to the extent permitted by applicable law.

Addresses. The mailing addresses of Grentor (debton) and Lender (secured party) from which information concerning the security interest greated by this Deed of Trust may be obtained (sech as required by the Uniform Commercial Code) are as stated on the first page of this Deed of Trust.

FURTHER ASSURANCES; ATTORMEY-IN-FACT. The following provisions relating to further assurances and attorney-in-fact are a part of this Deed of Trust:

EVENTS OF DEFAULT. Each of the following, at Lender's option, shall constitute an Event of Default under this Deed of Trust:
Payment Default. Grantor falls to make any payment when due under the Indabtedness.
Other Defaults. Grantor falls to comply with or to perform any other term, obligation, covenant or condition borntained in this Deed of Trust or in any of the Related Documents or to comply with or to perform any term, obligation, covenant or condition contained in any other agreement between Lander and Grantor.

Compliance Default. Failure to comply with any other term, obligation, covenant or condition contained in this Deed of Trust, the Note or in any of the Related Documents.

Default on Other Payments. Failure of Grantor within the time required by this Deed of Trust to make any payment for taxes or insurance, or any other payment necessary to prevent filing of or to effect discharge of any lien.

Default in Fevor of Third Parides. Should Grentor default under any loan, extension of credit, security agreement, purchass or sales agreement, in favor of any other creditor or person that may materially effect any of Grantor's property or grantor's ability to repsy the indebtedness or perform their respective obligations under this Deed of Trust or any of the Related Documents.

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Creditor or Forfeiture Proceedings. Commencement of foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings, whether by judicial proceeding, seif-help repossession or any other method, by any creditor of Grantor or by any governmental agency against any property securing the indebtedness. This includes a garnishment of any of Grantor's accounts, including deposit accounts, with Lender. However, this Even to Default shell not apply if there is a good faith dispute by Grantor as to the velidity or reasonableness of the climin which is the basis of the creditor or forfeiture proceeding and if Grantor gives Lender written notice of the creditor or forfeiture proceeding and deposits with Lander monies or a surety bond for the creditor of forfeiture proceeding, in an amount determined by Lender, in its solidiscretion, as being an adequate reserve or bond for the dispute.

Breach of Other Agreement. Any breach by Grentor under the terms of any other agreement between Grentor and Lender that is not remadied within any grece period provided therein, including without limitation any agreement concerning any indebtedness or other obligations of any greece period grentor. Any of the preceding events occurs with respect to any guarantor, and cream of the indebtedness or any guarantor, and career, surety, or accommodation party dies or becomes incompetent, or revokas or disputes the validity of inability under, any guarantor, sentents of the indebtedness or any guarantor, sentents of services, or accommodation party dies or becomes incompetent, or revokas or disputes the validity of or liability under, any Guarantor's estate to assume unconditionally the obligations arising under the guaranty in a manner satisfactory to Lender, and, in doing so, cure any Event of Datauit.

Adverse Change. A material adverse change occurs in Grantor's financial condition, or Lender believes the prospect of payment or performance of the Indebtedness is impaired.

Right to Cure. If any default, other than a default in payment is curable and it Grantor has not been given a notice of a breach of the same provision of this Deed of Trust within the preceding twelve (12) months, it may be cured if Grantor, after receiving written notice from Lender denanding cure of auch default: (1) cures the default within thirty (30) days; in mediately initiates steps which Lender deems in Lender's sole discretion to be sufficient to cure the default precise).

RIGHTS AND REMEDIES ON DEFAULT. If an Event of Default occurs under this Deed of Trust, at any time thereafter, Trustee or Lender may average any one or more of the following rights end remedies.

Election of Remedies. Election by Lender to pursue any remedy shell not exclude pursuit of any other remedy, and an election to make expenditures or to take action to perform an obligation of Grantor under this Deed of Trust, after Grantor's failure to perform, shell not affect Lender's right to declare a default and exercise for remedies.

Accelerate Indebtedness. Lender shall have the right at its option without notice to Grantor to declare the entire Indebtedness immediately due and payable, including any prepayment penalty which Grantor would be required to pay.

Forecleause. With respect to all or any part of the Real Property, the Trustees shell have the right to foreclose by judicial foreclosure sele in person.

UCC Remedies. With respect to all or any part of the Personal Property, Lender shall have all the rights and remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code.

Collect Rents. Lender shall have the right, without notice to Grantor to take possession of and manage the Property and collect including amounts past due and unpaid, and apply the net proceeds, over and above Lender's costs, against the Indebtedre in turtherence of this right, Lender may require any tenter or other uses of the Property to make payments of rest to use tess direct to Lender. If the Rents are collected by Lender, then Grantor Inverceably designates Lender as Grantor's attorney-in-fact to endor instruments received in payment thereof in the name of Grantor and to negotiate the same and collect the proceeds. Payments whether or not any proper grounds for the demand existed. Lender has exercise its rights under this subparagraph either in perably agent, or through a receiver.

Sale of the Property. To the extent perunited by applicable law, Grantor hereby walves any and all rights to have the Property marshalled. In exercising its rights and remedies, the Trustee or Lander shall be free to sali all or any part of the Property together or saystrately, in one sale or by separate sales. Lander shall be entitled to bid at any public sale on all or any portion of the Property. The Trustee or Lander may sell the Property for cash in hard on the day of sale ou under any different, other, or additional sale terms as either, in his or its reasonable discretion, determines to be appropriate or advisable.

Attorneys' Fees; Expenses. If Lander institutes any suit or action to enforce any of the terms of this Deed of Trust, Lander shall be critical to recover such sum as the court may adjudge reasonable expenses Lander incurs that in Lender's opinion are necessary at any time for the extent not prohibited by law, all reasonable expenses Lander incurs that in Lender's opinion are necessary at any time for the protection of its interest or the enforcement of its rights shall become a part of the indebtedness payable on demand and hall bear interest at the Note rate from the date of the expenses covered by this paregraph include, without limitation, however subject to any limits under applicable law, Lander's attorneys' fees and expenses whether or not there is a lawarit, including attorneys' fees and expenses to bankruptory proceedings lincluding attorneys' fees and expenses to bankruptory proceedings lincluding of preclosure reports), auveyors' reports, and appraisal fees, title insurance, and fees for the Trustee, to the extent permittee by applicable law. Grantor also of Lender as set forth in this section.

Rights of Trustee. Trustee shell have all of the rights and duties of Lender as set forth in this section.
POWERS AND OBLIGATIONS OF TRUSTEE. The following provisions relating to the powers and obligations of Trustee are part of this Deed of Trust:

Powers of Trustee. In addition to all powers of Trustee arising as a matter of law, Trustee shall have the power to take the following actions with respect to the Property upon the written request of Lander and Grantor: (a) join in preparing and filing a map or plat of the Real Property, including the dedication of atreets or other rights to the public; (b) join in granting any essement or creating any restriction on the Real Property; and (c) join in any subordination or other egreement affecting this Deed of Trust or the interest of Lander under this Deed of Trust.

Obligations to Notify. Trustes shall not be obligated to notify any other party of a pending sale under any other trust deed or lien, or of any action or proceeding in which Grantor, Lender, or Trustee shall be a party, unless the action or proceeding is brought by Trustee.

Trustee. Trustee shall meet all qualifications required for Trustee under applicable law. Trustee is authorized to act by agent or attoring in the sexecution of this trust. In addition to the rights and remedies set forth above, with respect to all or any part of the Property, the Trustee shall have the right to foreclose by unice and sale, and Lender shall have the right to foreclose by judicial foreclosure, in either case in accordance with and to the full extent provided by applicable law.

Successor Trustee. Lender, at Lender's option, may from time to time appoint a successor Trustee to any Trustee appointed under this Doed of Trust by an instrument executed and acknowledged by Lender and recorded in the office of the County Commission of Kanwhe County. West Virginia. The instrument shall contain the above and page where this Deed of Trust is recorded, and the name and address of the aucessor trustee, and Grantic, the book and page where this Deed of Trust is recorded, and the instrument shall be executed and acknowledged by Lender or its successors in interest. The successor trustee, and the instrument shall succeed to all the title, power, and duties confarred upon the Trustee in provisions for substitution.

MOTICES. Except for any notice required under applicable law to be given in another manner, any notice, request, demand or other communication required to pe given under this Deed of Trust shall be effective upon the deposit of such notice, request, demand or other communication, in writing, in the regular United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party in question at its address shown near the beginning of this Doed of Trust. Addresses from the state, demands or other communications may be changed by a notice mailed in the manner as provided above. Any notice of other liens which may be given to Lender pursuant to W. Ve. Code Section 38-1-14 shell be in writing, addressed to Lander at Lender's address provided for in this Deed of Trust, which notice shell be effective with any Grantor is deemed to be notice given to all Grantors are e part of this Deed of Trust, which notice given by MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS. The following miscellaneous provisions are a part of this Deed of Trust, underther any Related Documents, constitutes the entire understanding and agreement of the parties as to the matters set forth in this Deed of Trust. No afterstion of or amendment to this Deed of Trust shall be effective unless given in writing and signed by the party or parties acught to be charged or bound by the afterstion or amendment.

Annual Reports. If the Property is used for purposes other than Grantor's residence, Grantor shall furnish to Lender, upon request, a certified streament of net operating income received from the Property during Grantor's previous flacal year in such form and detail as Lender shall require. "Net operating income" shall mean all cash receipts from the Property during Grantor's previous flacal year in such forms and detail as connection with the operation of the Property.

Caption Headings. Caption headings in this Deed of Trust are for convenience purposes only and are not to be used to interpret or Jefine the provisions of this Deed of Trust.

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\$720,000.00 from Grentor to Lender, together with all renewals of, axtensions of, modifications of, refinancings of, consolidations of, and substitutions for the promissory note or agreement. NOTICE TO GRANTOR: THE NOTE CONTAINS A VARIABLE INTEREST

Related Documents. The words "Related Documents" mean all promissory notes, credit agreements, loan agreements, anvironment agreements, guerantias, security deeds, collateral mortgages, and all oth instruments, agreements and documents, whether now or hereafter existing, executed in connection with the indebtedness. Property. The word "Property" means collectively the Real Property and the Personal Property.

Jeal Property. The words "Real Property" mean the real property, interests and rights, as further described in this Deed of Trust.

Trustee. The word "Trustee" means Matthew D. Smith, whose address is in the County of, Kanawha, WV and any substitute or successor trustees. Nents. The word "Rents" means all present and future rents, revenues, income, issues, royalties, profits, and other benefits derived from the Property.

GRANTOR ACKNOWLEDGES HAVING READ ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DEED OF TRUST, AND GRANTOR AGREES TO ITS TERMS.

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the undersigned Notery Public, personally appeared Todd Lesser, to me known to be the indiv of Trust, and acknowledged that he or she signed the Deed of Trust as his or her free and w es therein mentioned. day of November

rr: WesBanco Bank, Inc.

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TDEED 3192 759

All that certain lot or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging situate on the easterly side which deed is here made for a more particular description of the property hereby Kanawha County, West Virginia, between Quarrier and Lee Streets in said City fronting about twenty-four (24) feet and six (6) inches, more or less, on Capitol Street and running back with even width about One Hundred Twenty-six (126) feet, more or less to an alley extending from Quarrier Street to Lee Street and being all of the same property conveyed unto Todd Lesser by EBW Associates Limited Liability Company, a West Virginia limited liability company, by deed dated November 5, 2004, to be filed and placed of record in the said Clerk's office immediately preceding the recordation of this instrument, reference to of Capitol Street, in the City of Charleston, Charleston East Tax District, conveyed and for any and all other pertinent purposes

This instrument was presented to the Clerk of the County Kanawha County, West Virginia, same is admitted to record.

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Principal Loan Date Maturity Loan No Call / Coll Account Officer Initials \$720,000.00 11-12-2004 11-12-2024 5390 RZ ****

References in the shaded area are for Lender's use only and do not limit the applicability of this document to any particular loan or item.

Any item above containing "***" has been omitted due to text length limitations.

Borrower:

Todd Lesser

2717 Hidden Valley Road

La Jolla, CA 92037

Lender:

WesBanco Bank, Inc. West Side Office 300 Tennessee Avenue Charleston, WV 25302

(304) 347-4000

Principal Amount: \$720,000.00

Date of Note: November 12, 2004

PROMISE TO PAY. Todd Lesser ("Borrower") promises to pay to WesBanco Bank, Inc. ("Lender"), or order, in lawful money of the United States of America, the principal amount of Seven Hundred Twenty Thousand & 00/100 Dollars (\$720,000.00), together with interest on the unpaid principal balance from November 12, 2004, until paid in full.

PAYMENT. Subject to any payment changes resulting from changes in the Index, Borrower will pay this loan in accordance with the following payment schedule: 36 monthly consecutive principal and interest payments in the initial amount of \$4,901.60 each, beginning December 12. 2004, with interest calculated on the unpaid principal balances at an interest rate of 5.375% per annum; 203 monthly consecutive principal and interest payments in the initial amount of \$4,901.60 each, beginning December 12, 2007, with interest calculated on the unpaid principal balances at an interest rate based on the weekly average yield on US Treasury Securities adjusted to a constant maturity of three years (currently 2.910%), plus a margin of 2.500 percentage points, the sum rounded to the nearest 0.125 percent, resulting in an initial interest rate of 5.375%; and one principal and interest payment of \$4,902.30 on November 12, 2024, with interest calculated on the unpaid principal balances at an interest rate based on the weekly average yield on US Treasury Securities adjusted to a constant maturity of three years (currently 2.910%), plus a margin of 2.500 percentage points, the sum rounded to the nearest 0.125 percent, resulting in an initial interest rate of 5.375%. This estimated final payment is based on the assumption that all payments will be made exactly as scheduled and that the Index does not change; the actual final payment will be for all principal and accrued interest not yet paid, together with any other unpaid amounts under this Note. Unless otherwise agreed or required by applicable law, payments will be applied first to any accrued unpaid interest; then to principal; then to any unpaid collection costs; and then to any late charges. Interest on this Note is computed on a 365/365 simple interest basis; that is, by applying the ratio of the annual interest rate over the number of days in a year (366 during leap years), multiplied by the outstanding principal balance, multiplied by the actual number of days the principal balance is outstanding. Borrower will pay Lender at Lender's address shown above or at such other place as Lender may designate in writing.

VARIABLE INTEREST RATE. The interest rate on this Note is subject to change from time to time based on changes in an independent index which is the weekly average yield on US Treasury Securities adjusted to a constant maturity of three years (the "Index"). The Index is not necessarily the lowest rate charged by Lender on its loans. If the Index becomes unavailable during the term of this loan, Lender may designate a substitute index after notice to Borrower. Lender will tell Borrower the current Index rate upon Borrower's request. The interest rate change will not occur more often than each three years. Borrower understands that Lender may make loans based on other rates as well. The Index currently is 2.910% per annum. The interest rate or rates to be applied to the unpaid principal balance of this Note will be the rate or rates set forth herein in the "Payment" section. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Note, after the first payment stream, the interest rate for each subsequent payment stream will be effective as of the last payment date of the just-ending payment stream. NOTICE: Under no circumstances will the interest rate on this Note be more than the maximum rate allowed by applicable law. Whenever increases occur in the interest rate, Lender, at its option, may do one or more of the following: (A) increase Borrower's payments to ensure Borrower's loan will pay off by its original final maturity date, (B) increase Borrower's payments to cover accruing interest, (C) increase the number of Borrower's payments, and (D) continue Borrower's payments at the same amount and increase Borrower's final payment.

PREPAYMENT. Borrower may pay without penalty all or a portion of the amount owed earlier than it is due. Early payments will not, unless agreed to by Lender in writing, relieve Borrower of Borrower's obligation to continue to make payments under the payment schedule. Rather, early payments will reduce the principal balance due and may result in Borrower's making fewer payments. Borrower agrees not to send Lender payments marked "paid in full", "without recourse", or similar language. If Borrower sends such a payment, Lender may accept it without losing any of Lender's rights under this Note, and Borrower will remain obligated to pay any further amount owed to Lender. All written communications concerning disputed amounts, including any check or other payment instrument that indicates that the payment constitutes "payment in full" of the amount owed or that is tendered with other conditions or limitations or as full satisfaction of a disputed amount must be mailed or delivered to: WesBanco Bank, Inc.; West Side Office; 300 Tennessee Avenue; Charleston, WV 25302.

LATE CHARGE. If a payment is 10 days or more late, Borrower will be charged 5.000% of the unpaid portion of the regularly scheduled payment or \$50.00, whichever is greater.

INTEREST AFTER DEFAULT. Upon default, including failure to pay upon final maturity, Lender, at its option, may, if permitted under applicable law, increase the variable interest rate on this Note by 2.000 percentage points. The interest rate will not exceed the maximum rate permitted by applicable law.

DEFAULT. Each of the following shall constitute an event of default ("Event of Default") under this Note:

Payment Default. Borrower fails to make any payment when due under this Note.

Other Defaults. Borrower fails to comply with or to perform any other term, obligation, covenant or condition contained in this Note or in any of the related documents or to comply with or to perform any term, obligation, covenant or condition contained in any other agreement between Lender and Borrower.

Default in Favor of Third Parties. Borrower or any Grantor defaults under any loan, extension of credit, security agreement, purchase or sales agreement, or any other agreement, in favor of any other creditor or person that may materially affect any of Borrower's property or Borrower's ability to repay this Note or perform Borrower's obligations under this Note or any of the related documents.

False Statements. Any warranty, representation or statement made or furnished to Lender by Borrower or on Borrower's behalf under this Note or the related documents is false or misleading in any material respect, either now or at the time made or furnished or becomes false

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or misleading at any time thereafter.

Death or Insolvency. The death of Borrower or the dissolution or termination of Borrower's existence as a going business, the insolvency of Borrower, the appointment of a receiver for any part of Borrower's property, any assignment for the benefit of creditors, any type of creditor workout, or the commencement of any proceeding under any bankruptcy or insolvency laws by or against Borrower.

Creditor or Forfeiture Proceedings. Commencement of foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings, whether by judicial proceeding, self-help, repossession or any other method, by any creditor of Borrower or by any governmental agency against any collateral securing the loan. This includes a garnishment of any of Borrower's accounts, including deposit accounts, with Lender. However, this Event of Default shall not apply if there is a good faith dispute by Borrower as to the validity or reasonableness of the claim which is the basis of the creditor or forfeiture proceeding and if Borrower gives Lender written notice of the creditor or forfeiture proceeding and deposits with Lender monies or a surety bond for the creditor or forfeiture proceeding, in an amount determined by Lender, in its sole discretion, as being an adequate reserve or bond for the dispute.

Events Affecting Guarantor. Any of the preceding events occurs with respect to any guarantor, endorser, surety, or accommodation party of any of the indebtedness or any guarantor, endorser, surety, or accommodation party dies or becomes incompetent, or revokes or disputes the validity of, or liability under, any guaranty of the indebtedness evidenced by this Note. In the event of a death, Lender, at its option, may, but shall not be required to, permit the guarantor's estate to assume unconditionally the obligations arising under the guaranty in a manner satisfactory to Lender, and, in doing so, cure any Event of Default.

Adverse Change. A material adverse change occurs in Borrower's financial condition, or Lender believes the prospect of payment or performance of this Note is impaired.

Cure Provisions. If any default, other than a default in payment is curable and if Borrower has not been given a notice of a breach of the same provision of this Note within the preceding twelve (12) months, it may be cured if Borrower, after receiving written notice from Lender demanding cure of such default: (1) cures the default within thirty (30) days; or (2) if the cure requires more than thirty (30) days, immediately initiates steps which Lender deems in Lender's sole discretion to be sufficient to cure the default and thereafter continues and completes all reasonable and necessary steps sufficient to produce compliance as soon as reasonably practical.

LENDER'S RIGHTS. Upon default, Lender may declare the entire unpaid principal balance on this Note and all accrued unpaid interest immediately due, and then Borrower will pay that amount.

ATTORNEYS' FEES; EXPENSES. Lender may hire or pay someone else to help collect this Note if Borrower does not pay. Borrower will pay Lender that amount. This includes, subject to any limits under applicable law, Lender's attorneys' fees and Lender's legal expenses, whether or not there is a lawsuit, including attorneys' fees, expenses for bankruptcy proceedings (including efforts to modify or vacate any automatic stay or injunction), and appeals. If not prohibited by applicable law, Borrower also will pay any court costs, in addition to all other sums provided by

CHOICE OF VENUE. If there is a lawsuit, Borrower agrees upon Lender's request to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of Kanawha County, State of West Virginia.

RIGHT OF SETOFF. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Lender reserves a right of setoff in all Borrower's accounts with Lender (whether checking, savings, or some other account). This includes all accounts Borrower holds jointly with someone else and all accounts Borrower may open in the future. However, this does not include any IRA or Keogh accounts, or any trust accounts for which setoff would be prohibited by law. Borrower authorizes Lender, to the extent permitted by applicable law, to charge or setoff all sums owing on the indebtedness against any and all such accounts, and, at Lender's option, to administratively freeze all such accounts to allow Lender to protect Lender's charge and setoff rights provided in this paragraph.

COLLATERAL. Borrower acknowledges this Note is secured by the following collateral described in the security instruments listed herein:

- (A) a Deed of Trust dated November 12, 2004, to a trustee in favor of Lender on real property located in Kanwha County, State of West Virginia.
- (B) an Assignment of All Rents to Lender on real property located in Kanwha County, State of West Virginia.
- (C) equipment and fixtures described in a Commercial Security Agreement dated November 12, 2004.

CALL PROVISION. On the tenth (10th) anniversary of this Note, the Lender shall have a period of thirty (30) days to notify Borrower in writing of Lender's intention to call this Note. If Lender notifies Borrower of such a call of this Note, Borrower shall have a period of six (6) months from the date of such notice to pay all outstanding principal and interest. If Lender does not provide written notice of a call of this Note within the above- specified period, then the call provision shall lapse and be without further effect thereafter.

SUCCESSOR INTERESTS. The terms of this Note shall be binding upon Borrower, and upon Borrower's heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of Lender and its successors and assigns.

GENERAL PROVISIONS. Lender may delay or forgo enforcing any of its rights or remedies under this Note without losing them. Borrower and any other person who signs, guarantees or endorses this Note, to the extent allowed by law, waive presentment, demand for payment, and notice of dishonor. Upon any change in the terms of this Note, and unless otherwise expressly stated in writing, no party who signs this Note, whether as maker, guarantor, accommodation maker or endorser, shall be released from liability. All such parties agree that Lender may renew or extend (repeatedly and for any length of time) this loan or release any party or guarantor or collateral; or impair, fail to realize upon or perfect Lender's security interest in the collateral; and take any other action deemed necessary by Lender without the consent of or notice to anyone. All such parties also agree that Lender may modify this loan without the consent of or notice to anyone other than the party with whom the modification is made. The obligations under this Note are joint and several.

WEST VIRGINIA INSURANCE NOTICE. Unless Borrower provides Lender with evidence of the insurance coverage required by Borrower's agreement with Lender, Lender may purchase insurance at Borrower's expense to protect Lender's interests in the collateral. This insurance may, but need not, protect Borrower's interests. The coverage that Lender purchases may not pay any claim that Borrower makes or any claim that is made against Borrower in connection with the collateral. Borrower may later cancel any insurance purchased by Lender, but only after providing Lender with evidence that Borrower has obtained insurance as required by their agreement. If Lender purchases insurance for the collateral, Borrower will be responsible for the costs of that insurance, including interest and any other charges Lender may impose in connection with the placement of the insurance, until the effective date of the cancellation or expiration of the insurance. The costs of the insurance may be added to Borrower's total outstanding balance or obligation. The costs of the insurance may be more than the cost of insurance Borrower may be able to obtain on Borrower's own.

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PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS NOTE, BORROWER READ AND UNDERSTOOD ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THIS NOTE, INCLUDING THE VARIABLE INTEREST RATE PROVISIONS. BORROWER AGREES TO THE TERMS OF THE NOTE.

BORROWER ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF A COMPLETED COPY OF THIS PROMISSORY NOTE.

BORROWER:

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

WESBANCO BANK, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO: 2:19-cv-00821 HONORABLE IRENE C. BERGER

TODD LESSER,

Defendant.

AFFIDAVIT

I, James W. Lane, Jr., do hereby solemnly swear:

- 1. I am an attorney at Flaherty Sensabaugh Bonasso PLLC (the "Firm") and I am familiar with the work performed by the Firm for WesBanco Bank, Inc. ("WesBanco"), regarding activity to collect on Mr. Lesser's debt owed to WesBanco Bank, Inc. following a foreclosure sale, including preparing and pursuing the Complaint against the Defendant, Todd Lesser (the "Defendant"), in this civil action.
- 2. The Complaint seeks judgment for the outstanding deficiency balance for a loan made to the Defendant.
- 3. In addition to the outstanding loan balance, WesBanco's Complaint also seeks judgment for WesBanco's attorneys' fees and costs associated with preparing and pursuing the Complaint against the Defendant.
- 4. As of April 7, 2020, WesBanco has incurred a total of \$4812.00 in attorneys' fees and \$943.00 in costs for work performed by the Firm in connection with this civil action.

Executed: 401/15, 2020.

James W. Lane, Jr.

STATE OF West Virginia: COUNTY OF Language :

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me by James W. Lane, Jr., on April 15

April 15

My commission expires: Horil

Notary Public:

OFFICIAL SEAL
Sonya Springsteen
Notary Public
State of West Virginia
My Commission Expires
April 22, 2024
9 Pennsylvania Avenue
Charleston, WV 25302

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

WESBANCO BANK, INC.,

Plaintiff.

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO: 2:19-821

TODD LESSER,

Defendant.

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

- I, Gregory Long, do hereby solemnly swear:
- 1. I am a private investigator in the San Diego, California area.
- 2. On December 20, 2019, counsel for Plaintiff WesBanco Bank, Inc. ("WesBanco"), engaged my services to locate and personally serve the Defendant, Todd Lesser (the "Defendant"), with a copy of the Complaint for Civil Action No. 2:19-821 in California.
- 3. I attempted to locate and serve the Defendant at the office space owned by him located at 4008 Taylor Street #201, San Diego, CA 92110. However, the office space was all locked up with no tenants.
- 4. After investigating the various properties owned by the Defendant, I determined that the best opportunity for a successful service of process was at the Defendant's home residence located at 2717 Hidden Valley Road, La Jolla, California 92037-4028 (the "Residence").
- 5. I visited the Residence on multiple occasions and attempted service by knocking on the front door. Although I could hear noise coming from the Residence, nobody ever came to answer my knocking other than the Defendant's dog.
- 6. On Sunday, January 13, 2020, I was parked at the end of the Defendant's driveway and observed who I believed to be the Defendant's spouse taking the trash out. She is a white female with long blonde hair, in her mid-thirties, and a height and weight of approximately five feet six inches and one hundred thirty-five pounds. I exited my vehicle and attempted to serve her. However, as soon as she noticed me, she quickly made her way back up the driveway to the Residence. By the time I reached the top of the Defendant's driveway she was already back inside the Residence and nobody answered my subsequent knocking on the front door.

- 7. On Sunday, February 9, 2020, I conducted a stakeout in hopes that I would effectuate service on the Defendant or his spouse while they took the trash out. My stakeout was unsuccessful as I saw neither the Defendant nor his spouse.
- 8. I returned to the Residence the following morning, Monday, February 10, 2020. At approximately 7:55 a.m., a grey BMW departed from the Defendant's driveway. I followed the BMW in my vehicle. Because there was no way to hide my vehicle, the BMW sped away and deliberately took a detour to disallow me to meet it in a crowded intersection where I could jump out of my vehicle and place the service papers on the BMW's windshield.
- 9. Following this unsuccessful attempt, I ran the BMW's license plate and confirmed that the vehicle was registered to the Defendant's spouse, Andrea Lesser.
- 10. On Tuesday, February 18, 2020, I arrived at the Residence for another stakeout. At approximately 6:30 a.m. I parked my vehicle a safe distance away from the Residence to avoid detection. I exited my vehicle and walked to the end of the Defendant's driveway and sat on a chair and waited for any sign of the Defendant or his spouse.
- 11. At approximately 8:01 a.m., the Defendant's spouse drove down the driveway in her vehicle. I verbally informed her that she'd been served as she drove by. A photograph of the Defendant's spouse's vehicle driving past me at 8:01 a.m. on February 18, 2020 is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- 12. I then proceeded up the Defendant's driveway and left a copy of the Complaint and Summons at the Residence's front door. A photograph of the service papers as I left them on the Residence's front door is attached as **Exhibit B**.
- 13. On February 18, 2020, I, a credible person over the age of twenty-one (21) years old, being first duly sworn, on my oath state that I personally served a Complaint upon the Defendant's spouse, located at 2717 Hidden Valley Road, La Jolla, California 92037-4028.
- 14. Prior to successfully serving the Complaint upon the Defendant's spouse, the Defendant and/or his spouse evaded my attempts at service on multiple occasions.
- 15. After successfully serving the Complaint upon the Defendant's spouse, I mailed copies of the Summons and Complaint to the Defendant at the address where I left the documents, 2717 Hidden Valley Road, La Jolla, California 92037-4028.
- 16. I have personally served numerous parties over the years by utilizing the same methods that I employed in this case. All of those completed services have been upheld by the courts of California and found to be sufficient under the Rules of Civil Procedure.
 - 17. I have personal knowledge of the foregoing and am competent to be a witness.
 - 18. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct

Executed: Formary 28, 2020. Gregory Long	
STATE OF California: COUNTY OF San DUGD Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me by Gregory Long, on Funary 28, 2020.	
My commission expires: March 20, 202.2 Notary Public 20, 202.2	
YOLANDA MURRAY Commission No. 2232206 NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY Commission Expires March 20, 2022	



