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9 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

10 **COUNTY OF SONOMA**

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12 TIMOTHY LEFEVER, LEFEVER
MATTSON, DIVI DIVI TREE, L.P., AND
13 WINDSCAPE APARTMENTS, LLC,

14 Plaintiffs,

15 v.

16 KENNETH W. MATTSON AND KS
MATTSON PARTNERS L.P.,

17 Defendants.
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Case No.

COMPLAINT FOR:

- (1) **BREACH OF CONTRACT;**
- (2) **BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY;**
- (3) **BREACH OF DUTY OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING;**
- (4) **CONVERSION;**
- (5) **CONSTRUCTIVE FRAUD;**
- (6) **FRAUDULENT CONCEALMENT;**
- (7) **RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY IN VIOLATION OF CAL. PEN. CODE § 496;**
- (8) **DECLARATORY RELIEF; AND**
- (9) **REMOVAL OF DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CORPORATIONS CODE § 304**

1 Plaintiffs Timothy LeFever (“LeFever”), LeFever Mattson (“LM”), Divi Divi Tree, L.P.
2 (“Divi”), and Windscape Apartments, LLC (“Windscape,” and together with LeFever, LM, and
3 Divi, the “Plaintiffs”) hereby allege as follows:

4 **SUMMARY OF THE DISPUTE**

5 1. LeFever and Defendant Kenneth W. Mattson (“Mattson”) have been close personal
6 friends for over five decades. They met in elementary school when they were eight years old; they
7 attended the same middle school, high school, and university; and each was the best man in the
8 other’s wedding. LeFever considered Mattson his best friend.

9 2. In 1990, LeFever and Mattson became not merely good friends, but also business
10 partners, when LeFever acquired a 50% interest in what is now LM. At all times since then,
11 LeFever and Mattson have each owned 50% of LM’s shares.

12 3. By all accounts, Mattson is a very wealthy man. He owns multiple homes. One
13 home located in Piedmont takes up the front of a block. Another home located in Sonoma was
14 featured in the Wall Street Journal before Mattson bought it, fully furnished. He has vacation
15 homes located in Del Mar that touch the sand. He drives luxury cars. He has owned Bentleys and
16 at least one Rolls Royce. He even owns an exotic car company, although it was recently shut
17 down by the DMV. In 2021, Mattson claimed a net worth in excess of \$250 million.

18 4. Mattson is also a thief. He stole money directly from LM, the company that bears
19 his name. He stole money from the retirement accounts of senior citizens when he promised but
20 did not actually give them an ownership interest in numerous LM-managed real estate
21 partnerships. And he stole the identity and reputation of LM when he used the company’s name
22 without its knowledge or consent in conjunction with his fraud.

23 5. Mattson is also a liar. He lied to the purported investors he swindled, and when the
24 fraudulent scheme he perpetrated for more than a decade was disclosed, he lied to the public,
25 falsely claiming, among other things that “Any transfer of an interest in Divi Divi over the years
26 by LeFever-Mattson to [the purported Divi investors] was documented and approved by me. All
27 proceeds from such sales were deposited with and used by LeFever-Mattson, not me.” Intended as
28 a boast, Mattson’s statement was also an admission. Prior to 2015, Mattson would have needed

1 the written authorization of not only an LM affiliate, LeFever Mattson I, LLC, but also an
2 unaffiliated nonprofit that served as Divi's Managing General Partner, and Mattson did not have
3 the consent of that nonprofit. Mattson lacked the authority to provide consent on behalf of LM or
4 any of its affiliates. Mattson was also self-dealing in violation of his fiduciary duties. And his
5 documentation was nothing more than a second set of books that he used to convince IRA
6 custodians that his activities were legitimate.

7 6. Mattson also lied to the putative Divi investors he conned and to the public by
8 falsely stating that Divi had been making distributions to those putative investors and that
9 Plaintiffs were responsible for stopping those distributions. To the contrary, Divi had never made
10 any distributions to these putative investors because they were never limited partners of record.
11 Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Mattson was secretly making
12 payments to or for the benefit of these putative investors from an account he alone controlled.
13 Plaintiffs are further informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that the payments Mattson
14 made to these putative investors was from funds that Mattson received from other putative
15 investors he swindled and that these payments bore no relation to the amount or timing of
16 distributions Divi had made to its limited partners of record.

17 7. Mattson studied economics and was, for 25 years, a stockbroker. But he also found
18 time to have multiple side businesses, including K. W. M. Enterprises, Inc. ("KWM"), a real
19 estate investment company that would change its name to LeFever Mattson when LeFever,
20 Mattson's childhood friend, became half owner of the business in 1990. As LM and its real estate
21 portfolio grew, LeFever, an attorney and real estate broker, built and operated the related property
22 management company, LeFever Mattson Property Management ("LMPM"), and the real estate
23 brokerage company, California Investment Properties. Mattson continued to run LM as CEO and
24 CFO and offered real estate investments to a growing group of investors drawn largely from his
25 stock brokerage client list.

26 8. Mattson also has a family partnership, KS Mattson Partners L.P. ("KSMP," and
27 with Mattson, "Defendants"), through which Mattson also buys and sells real estate. Mattson
28 sometimes abused his authority to sell KSMP's properties to limited partnerships and limited

1 liability companies that LM managed (each such partnership or limited liability company, an “LM
2 Investment”), with Mattson signing for both the LM Investment as buyer and KSMP as seller, and
3 many times with a significant profit to KSMP.

4 9. In the past, Mattson was regarded by many as a financial genius. This reputation
5 was at least partially based on Mattson's real estate and investment portfolio. But it was also
6 based on his uncanny ability to predict the economic future. Despite that reputation, Mattson’s
7 fondness for other people’s money apparently caused him to do economically risky things, like
8 finance much of his real estate portfolio with seller carry back loans that have huge annual balloon
9 payments and with “hard money,” high interest loans. Unfortunately, many of those risky loans
10 have become the responsibility of others when Mattson abused his power by making the
11 unauthorized property sales from KSMP to various LM Investments. Often the loans and the
12 terms were not fully disclosed upon transfer, and many of those loans are now in default as
13 Mattson has missed payments.

14 10. Because Mattson has a degree in economics and had been working at a financial
15 services firm when LeFever and Mattson began running LM together, LeFever trusted Mattson to
16 oversee LM’s finances and investor relations.

17 11. But Mattson abused LeFever’s trust and Mattson’s control over LM.

18 12. Mattson created and operated what amounted to a secret division of LM for his
19 own exclusive benefit by, among other things, committing numerous acts of self-dealing, secretly
20 funneling at least \$75 million to himself and KSMP, his wholly owned company, to the detriment
21 of LeFever, LM, Divi, Windscape, and other LM Investments.

22 13. Mattson purported to cause LM and/or other LM affiliates to enter into numerous
23 poorly crafted agreements without LeFever’s knowledge or consent and without LM’s knowledge
24 or consent.

25 14. Mattson secretly caused LM, Divi, and/or other LM Investments to purchase real
26 estate from KSMP at inflated prices so that Mattson could obtain secret profits from LM, Divi,
27 and/or other LM Investments.

1 15. Through his fraudulent scheme, Mattson duped more than one hundred putative
2 investors into giving him tens of millions of dollars – most of which came from their Individual
3 Retirement Accounts or from other funds they had saved for retirement – for what they believed
4 were interests in various LM Investments. But those putative investors received nothing in
5 exchange: Mattson did not own the limited partnership interests or membership interests he
6 purportedly sold them, did not have authority to sell those limited partnership interests or
7 membership interests, and/or those limited partnership interests or membership interests may not
8 have even existed. Mattson took tens of millions of dollars from hundreds of people in exchange
9 for nothing.

10 16. Despite having legal and contractual obligations to disclose in advance all of these
11 transactions to Plaintiffs, Mattson did not disclose any. Instead, he actively concealed them from
12 Plaintiffs to hide his misconduct and prevent Plaintiffs from stopping Mattson’s fraudulent scheme
13 and self-dealing. Mattson’s concealment in many instances lasted longer than a dozen years.

14 17. When Plaintiffs recently started to uncover Defendants’ misconduct, Plaintiffs
15 immediately confronted Mattson and began investigating and then reported Mattson’s fraudulent
16 conduct to the authorities. Mattson gradually admitted to much of Defendants’ misconduct but
17 provided an ever-changing story in an attempt to justify his actions. Mattson nonetheless entered
18 into an agreement (the “Indemnity Agreement”) under which he admitted to his wrongdoing and
19 agreed that Defendants would indemnify and hold Plaintiffs harmless from the damage Defendants
20 have already caused them and from the harm and expenses Plaintiffs will suffer in the future
21 because of Defendants’ wrongdoing.

22 18. Plaintiffs entered into the Indemnity Agreement, among other reasons, to help
23 minimize the harm Defendants caused to the dozens – if not hundreds – of investors that
24 Defendants swindled out of their retirement savings through Defendants’ misconduct and to hold
25 Defendants accountable for the harm they caused.

26 19. Plaintiffs have demanded that Defendants indemnify Plaintiffs as promised and that
27 Defendants compensate Plaintiffs in full for the harm Defendants caused, but Defendants have
28 refused to do so.

20. Plaintiffs have therefore been forced to bring this action to stop Defendants from committing further acts of fraud, self-dealing, breaches of fiduciary duty, and breaches of contract; to hold Defendants accountable for the harm they have caused Plaintiffs and their investors; and to ensure that Defendants abide by their obligations to indemnify and hold Plaintiffs harmless from any further harm they might suffer on account of Defendants' misconduct. It is only through this action that Plaintiffs can address and remedy the harm Mattson's conduct has caused by deceiving putative investors into paying him for what they believed were partnership interests in Divi and the other LM Investments.

21. Plaintiffs' investigation into Defendants' wrongdoing is still ongoing. Plaintiffs anticipate that their investigation will uncover additional wrongful acts by Defendants that have harmed Plaintiffs and their investors and putative investors.

THE PARTIES

22. LeFever is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was an individual domiciled and residing in Solano County, California.

23. LM is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of California. LM's headquarters and principal place of business is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was in Sacramento County, California.

24. Divi is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was a limited partnership organized under the laws of the State of California. Divi's headquarters and principal place of business is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was in Sacramento County, California.

25. Windscape is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of California. Windscape's headquarters and principal place of business is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was in Sacramento County, California.

26. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Mattson is an individual domiciled and residing in Sonoma County, California.

27. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that KSMP is and, at all relevant times mentioned herein, was a limited partnership organized under the laws of the

1 State of California. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that KSMP's
2 headquarters and principal place of business is in Sonoma County, California.

3 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

4 28. The Superior Court for the County of Sonoma has subject matter jurisdiction over
5 this dispute pursuant to Article VI, Section 10 of the California Constitution and California Civil
6 Procedure Code Section 410.10 because the subject matter of this dispute falls within the general
7 jurisdiction of the Superior Courts of the State of California.

8 29. The Superior Court for the County of Sonoma has personal jurisdiction over
9 Mattson and KSMP pursuant to Article VI, Section 10 of the California Constitution, Amendment
10 XIV of the United States Constitution, and California Civil Procedure Code Section 410.10
11 because Mattson and KSMP are each domiciled in the State of California and because Plaintiffs'
12 claims against Mattson and KSMP relate to and/or arise out of Mattson's and KSMP's respective
13 significant contacts with the State of California.

14 30. The Superior Court for the County of Sonoma is the proper venue for this dispute
15 pursuant to California Civil Procedure Code Sections 395 and 395.5 because (a) Mattson resides
16 in the County of Sonoma; (b) KSMP's liability under the Agreement of Limited Partnership of
17 Divi Divi Tree, L.P. (the "Original Divi LP Agreement") and the Amended and Restated
18 Agreement of Limited Partnership of Divi Divi Tree, L.P. (the "Amended Divi LP Agreement,"
19 and together with the Original Divi LP Agreement, the "Divi LP Agreements") arose in whole or
20 in part in the County of Sonoma; (c) one or more of KSMP's breaches of the Divi LP Agreement
21 occurred in the County of Sonoma; and (d) Mattson entered into the Indemnity Agreement with
22 LM and LeFever that is a subject of this action in the County of Sonoma and/or agreed to perform
23 under the Indemnity Agreement in the County of Sonoma.

24 **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

25 **A. LeFever and Mattson Become Close Personal Friends.**

26 31. LeFever and Mattson both grew up in or around Rancho Cordova, California. They
27 first met in elementary school when they were 8 years old, and although they attended different
28 elementary schools, they attended middle school and high school together. After graduating from

1 Cordova High School, LeFever and Mattson each attended U.C. Berkeley. LeFever graduated
2 with a degree in political science. Mattson graduated with a degree in economics.

3 32. After graduating from Berkeley, LeFever obtained a juris doctorate from what is
4 now U.C. Law San Francisco.

5 33. Mattson, meanwhile, became a securities broker. Plaintiffs are informed and
6 believe and, on that basis, allege that Mattson began working as a securities broker at what is now
7 Principal Securities, Inc. in late 1983, that he worked as a securities broker for Dean Witter
8 Reynolds Inc. between October of 1984 and March of 1990, and that he then joined Prudential
9 Securities Incorporated. Mattson continued working as a securities broker at Prudential, and then
10 at Sutro & Company, Inc. and what is now RBC Capital Markets Corp. where Mattson remained
11 until at least 2009.

12 34. LeFever considered Mattson his best friend from early in his youth and afterward.
13 Mattson introduced LeFever to the woman LeFever would eventually marry, and Mattson and
14 LeFever were each the best man at the other's wedding.

15 **B. LeFever and Mattson Form LM.**

16 35. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Mattson formed
17 KWM as Mattson's wholly owned corporation in or around August 1989.

18 36. At or around that time, LeFever began discussing the idea of forming a real estate
19 company with Mattson.

20 37. This idea came into fruition in 1990 when LeFever acquired a 50% interest in
21 KWM from Mattson. LeFever and Mattson then changed the name of the company to LM. At all
22 times since then, LeFever and Mattson have each owned 50% of LM's shares.

23 38. Mattson was still working as a securities broker at the time, and he told LeFever
24 that his employer did not want him doing hands-on real estate work. Consequently, LeFever
25 obtained a real estate brokers license for LM.

26 39. Mattson had nearly seven years of experience as a securities broker when LeFever
27 and Mattson began running LM together. As a result, Mattson had established financial and
28 investor relationships at the time, but LeFever had not. Because of his economics and finance

1 background, his many years' experience as a securities broker, and his established financial and
2 investor relationships, Mattson naturally took primary responsibility for managing LM's finances
3 and investor relations. Because of their close personal friendship, LeFever completely and
4 implicitly trusted Mattson handling virtually all financial and investor related matters for LM.

5 40. LeFever, who was a licensed attorney by the time he and Mattson formed LM,
6 focused on real estate acquisitions, property management, and lender relations for LM.

7 41. In 1991, LeFever and Mattson formed another company, LMPM, to provide
8 property management services. LM currently owns a majority interest in LMPM, with a third
9 individual, Mark Bennett owning the remaining shares.

10 42. Separately, Mattson owns several other companies including KSMP, which is also
11 a real estate investment company. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege
12 that KSMP is directly or indirectly wholly owned by Mattson and is controlled solely by Mattson.

13 **C. LeFever and Mattson Grow LM's Real Estate Portfolio.**

14 43. LM has grown substantially as a real estate investment company since 1990.
15 Today, LM manages a portfolio of real estate valued at over \$400 million.

16 44. Beginning in the late 1990s, LM began to offer certain real estate opportunities to
17 outside investors by acquiring the real estate in a co-tenancy with the investors.

18 45. Eventually, LM's business model shifted so that it typically did not acquire real
19 estate in its own name. Instead, LM's business model is to create the LM Investments – limited
20 partnerships and limited liability companies that each purchase one or more commercial
21 properties. Divi and Windscape are two of these LM Investments.

22 46. This structure allowed LM to pool more capital by selling limited partnership or
23 LLC membership interests in the LM Investments to a small number of accredited investors while
24 typically reserving an ownership interest in the LM Investments for itself as general partner or
25 managing member, sometimes as limited partners or members as well. Most of these outside
26 investors were Mattson's former clients or other contacts Mattson developed while he was
27 working as a securities broker.

1 47. Because of this structure, each of the LM Investments has either a limited
2 partnership agreement or an operating agreement (each such partnership or operating agreement,
3 an “LM Investment Agreement”) that provides LM and the investors a clear understanding about
4 such things as how the LM Investment will be managed, under what circumstances investors
5 might receive a distribution, and under what conditions the investors can sell or transfer their
6 interest in the LM Investment.

7 48. LM manages each of the LM Investments by serving as its managing or general
8 partner (if the LM Investment is a limited partnership) or as its manager (otherwise). LeFever’s
9 and Mattson’s other company, LMPM, typically serves as property manager for the commercial
10 properties that the LM Investments own and provides various back-office functions for LM and
11 the LM Investments.

12 49. If the LM Investment generates operating profits (*e.g.*, from rent collected from the
13 tenants of one of the LM Investment’s properties) the LM Investment typically distributes a
14 portion of that income to its respective investors. Historically, when an LM Investment sold a
15 property, the LM Investment would usually use the sale proceeds to purchase another property
16 through an exchange under Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code, rather than distributing the
17 sale proceeds to investors.

18 **D. LM Forms Divi to Purchase the Sienna Pointe Apartments in Moreno Valley.**

19 50. In or around late 2002, LM identified the Sienna Pointe apartment complex in
20 Moreno Valley, California as a potentially lucrative real estate investment property.

21 51. The purchase of Sienna Pointe included the assumption of a loan that required the
22 involvement of a nonprofit entity.

23 52. To facilitate the purchase of Sienna Pointe, LM formed Divi as a limited
24 partnership between a Sacramento-based religious nonprofit corporation (the “Nonprofit”) and
25 LeFever Mattson I, LLC, one of LM’s subsidiaries. The Nonprofit was named Divi’s Managing
26 General Partner.

27 53. Divi acquired the Sienna Pointe property in or around 2003.

1 54. In or around September 2015, Divi refinanced the loan it assumed, on acquisition
2 of the Sienna Pointe property in 2003, and the Nonprofit and LeFever Mattson I, LLC, both
3 withdrew and resigned as Divi's Managing General Partner and Co-General Partner respectively.
4 Concurrently therewith, Divi's remaining partners executed the Amended Divi LP Agreement,
5 naming LM as Divi's general partner.

6 55. Divi eventually sold the Sienna Pointe property in 2021 and reinvested the sale
7 proceeds into approximately 20 other properties through 1031 exchanges.

8 **E. Mattson Orchestrates a Fraudulent Scheme to Unjustly Enrich Himself.**

9 56. The Original Divi LP Agreement required the investors to obtain written consent of
10 both the Nonprofit and LeFever Mattson I, LLC before selling or otherwise transferring their
11 interests in Divi. The Amended Divi LP Agreement and the other LM Investment Agreements
12 require the investors to obtain LM's written approval before selling or otherwise transferring their
13 interest in the LM Investment.

14 57. Over time, some investors wanted to sell their interest in one or more of the LM
15 Investments. Mattson oftentimes would buy those investors out by having KSMP acquire the
16 investors' LM Investment interests. Eventually, LeFever also bought out some investors and
17 acquired a portion of LM's Divi limited partnership interest so that he too acquired an individual
18 interest in some of the LM Investments. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis,
19 allege that all of these purchases by KSMP and LeFever were properly reported to and approved
20 by LM or its predecessors in accordance with the Divi LP Agreements.

21 58. A number of such transactions have been properly effected with respect to Divi
22 since 2015. Up until this time, Divi had a total of 19 limited partners, but LeFever, Mattson, and
23 KSMP were not Divi limited partners. Over time since 2015, KSMP bought out most of these
24 Divi limited partners and LeFever bought a portion of LM's limited partnership interest, so that
25 Divi's current investors of record are: LM (16.473%); LeFever and his wife, Amy LeFever
26 (19.458%); Treacle Revocable Trust (14.442%); and KSMP (49.626%). The Treacle Revocable
27 Trust and LM are the only remaining original investors in Divi.

1 59. In addition to these known and approved acquisitions, Mattson was also secretly
2 selling purported interests in LM Investments without LeFever's knowledge or LM's consent.
3 Neither LeFever nor LM was informed of these sales at any time before or after their occurrence.

4 60. LeFever and LM have now learned that, for more than a decade, Mattson
5 surreptitiously sold purported Divi partnership interests to numerous putative investors and
6 intentionally concealed these transactions from LeFever and LM. Some of these purported sales
7 of Divi partnership interests occurred under the Original Divi LP Agreement. Mattson
8 intentionally concealed these transactions from the Nonprofit as well.

9 61. According to Mattson, some of the Divi partnership interests he purportedly sold
10 were KSMP's. But Mattson has also acknowledged that some of his sales took place before
11 KSMP owned any interest in Divi, and that he was therefore purporting to sell Divi partnership
12 interest belonging to LM. However, Mattson did not have the authority to sell any of LM's Divi
13 partnership interests based on his approval or action alone. Moreover, despite allegedly selling
14 some of LM's interest in Divi, Mattson kept all of the money for himself and did not provide
15 LeFever or LM any portion of the proceeds from these secret transactions.

16 62. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Defendants
17 purported to sell Divi interests to at least 177 different putative investors (the "Putative Divi
18 Sales"), and received \$55 million or more in connection with the Putative Divi Sales, which far
19 exceeds the entire valuation for Divi, much less KSMP's 49.626% interest in Divi.

20 63. Based on the prior transactions in which Mattson caused KSMP to acquire nearly
21 half of the Divi partnership interests and in which Mattson provided approval of LeFever's
22 acquisition of Divi limited partnership interests, Mattson not only knew how to, but also knew that
23 he was required to: (a) use a purchase agreement to document the sale of Divi limited partnership
24 interests and what exactly was being sold; (b) notify and obtain LM's advance written approval of
25 the transaction by presenting the proposed transaction to LeFever, LM's only disinterested
26 shareholder and director; and (c) record the transactions in Divi's books and records so that,
27 among other things, Divi can properly accord to the new partner and all others (e.g., make
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1 distributions to the correct investors and in the correct amounts, issue accurate K-1 statements to
2 the limited partners, etc.).

3 64. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Defendants did not
4 execute purchase agreements or even specify the percentage interest sold for the overwhelming
5 majority of the Putative Divi Sales and that Defendants intentionally did this so that LeFever and
6 LM would not know about the Putative Divi Sales. Plaintiffs are also informed and believe and,
7 on that basis, allege that Mattson likely did not even intend to sell the putative investors Divi
8 limited partnership interests and instead merely intended to dupe them into falsely believing they
9 had purchased Divi limited partnership interests while providing them nothing in return for the
10 money they gave him.

11 65. Plaintiffs are also informed and believe that Mattson falsified certain
12 documentation to further his fraudulent scheme. For example, Plaintiffs are informed and believe
13 and, on that basis, allege that Mattson documented certain Putative Divi Sales by having the
14 purported investor execute a signature page from the Original Divi LP Agreement even if the
15 transaction occurred after Divi adopted the Amended Divi LP Agreement and that Mattson
16 intentionally doctored the signature page so that it indicated LM was the Managing General
17 Partner even though only the Nonprofit ever held that title. Mattson has also admitted to creating
18 fake K-1 forms for certain purported investors, and Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that
19 basis, allege that Mattson provided fake K-1 forms to Divi investors to maintain the false
20 impression that they were actually Divi limited partners. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and,
21 on that basis, allege that Mattson fabricated these fraudulent K-1 forms, among other reasons, so
22 that the putative Divi investors would not realize Defendants had duped them and to minimize the
23 risk that Plaintiffs would learn of Defendants' fraudulent scheme from a putative investor asking
24 Plaintiffs to provide a K-1 form that the putative investor otherwise would have expected to
25 receive.

26 66. To conceal their wrongdoing, Defendants also intentionally failed to present any of
27 the Putative Divi Sales to LeFever, LM's only disinterested shareholder and director, failed to
28 obtain LM's written approval of the Putative Divi Sales, failed to obtain the Nonprofit's written

1 approval of the Putative Divi Sales under the Original Divi LP Agreement, and intentionally
2 omitted any record of the Putative Divi Sales from Divi's books and records and from LM's books
3 and records. As a result, neither LeFever nor LM knew anything about the Putative Divi Sales
4 until Mattson's fraudulent schemes finally began to come to light in March of this year.

5 67. Mattson took additional steps to hide the Putative Divi Sales from LeFever and
6 LM. For example, Mattson opened a bank account for LM (the "Covert Account") with Bank of
7 the West (which was subsequently acquired by Bank of Montreal) that Mattson ensured he alone
8 could access, allowing Mattson to execute and manage the Putative Divi Sales and other self-
9 dealing transactions without leaving a paper trail of bank records that LeFever or LM could find.

10 68. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Mattson had the
11 putative Divi investors transfer their purchase money for the Putative Divi Sales to the Covert
12 Account, falsely representing to them that it was a Divi bank account, and that Mattson also used
13 the Covert Account for other unauthorized transactions. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and,
14 on that basis, allege that all money deposited in the Covert Account – including the \$55 million or
15 more that Defendants received in the Putative Divi Sales and an additional \$20 million in
16 estimated funds Defendants received from the purported sale of interests in the other LM
17 Investments – was ultimately transferred to and spent by Mattson for his own personal benefit.

18 69. Plaintiffs are also informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that when
19 conducting the Putative Divi Sales, Mattson did not use LM's address, but instead used a post
20 office box he had obtained for his own use and for KSMP's use and represented to the putative
21 Divi investors, that it was LM's post office box. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that
22 basis, allege that Mattson alone had access to this post office box, and that he intentionally used
23 this post office box address for the Putative Divi Sales to actively conceal the Putative Divi Sales
24 from Plaintiffs by ensuring that any correspondence regarding the Putative Divi Sales would be
25 diverted away from LM and instead be routed directly to him.

26 70. Because Defendants had concealed the existence of the Putative Divi Sales from
27 Plaintiffs, Divi never made any distributions to the putative Divi investors. Plaintiffs are informed
28 and believe and, on that basis, allege that to further hide the Putative Divi Sales from Plaintiffs and

1 to maintain the false impression he had given the putative Divi investors, Mattson would cause
2 KSMP to pay distributions to or for the benefit of certain of the putative Divi investors so that they
3 would falsely believe that Divi was instead making partnership distributions to them. Plaintiffs
4 are informed and believe and, on that basis allege, however, that the distributions paid by KSMP
5 to or for the benefit of the putative Divi investors bore no relation (both in terms of timing and
6 amount) to the distributions paid by Divi to KSMP and that Mattson instead caused KSMP to pay
7 whatever was necessary to maintain the front that the putative Divi investors were investors in
8 Divi.

9 71. After Mattson's wrongdoing came to light, Divi stopped making distributions to
10 Mattson and all other investors of record. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis,
11 allege that Mattson thereafter stopped making payments to many of the putative Divi investors and
12 then, to maintain his deception, falsely blamed Plaintiffs for terminating the payments to the
13 putative Divi investors and continued to mislead the public about Defendants' fraudulent conduct.
14 Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis allege, that Mattson has in some instances
15 continued to cause KSMP or other entities controlled by Mattson to make distributions to putative
16 Divi investors as though they are from Divi, telling the putative Divi investors not to be alarmed
17 and that their "investments" in Divi are safe.

18 72. Mattson's self-dealing was not limited to these secret Putative Divi Sales. Mattson
19 has also surreptitiously caused LM to pay millions of dollars for properties that Mattson titled in
20 his own name or in KSMP's name. For example, Mattson secretly used more than \$6 million of
21 LM's money to purchase a lavish home for himself in Sonoma, which he now uses as his primary
22 residence. Mattson hid from LeFever the fact that Mattson had used LM's money to purchase
23 these properties by, among other things, using the Covert Account to wire LM's funds into the
24 escrow account for real estate purchases that exclusively benefitted Mattson.

25 73. Mattson also used KSMP to facilitate numerous other self-dealing transactions by
26 diverting corporate opportunities away from LM and LM Investments to KSMP, Mattson's wholly
27 owned company. For example, Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that in
28 September 2022, Mattson caused KSMP to purchase real estate in Sonoma for \$6.5 million. Five

1 weeks later, Mattson caused KSMP to sell that same property without any change to Windscape
2 for \$7.5 million, netting Defendants \$1,000,000 in the process and causing Windscape to pay
3 \$1,000,000 more for the property than it should have.

4 74. Mattson has also caused LM Investments to purchase underperforming, heavily
5 encumbered commercial properties from KSMP without LeFever's knowledge or approval so that
6 the LM Investments would be stuck with these indebted and underperforming assets rather than
7 KSMP, his wholly owned company.

8 75. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that KSMP finances
9 both its real estate purchases and Mattson's distributions to his putative investors using high
10 interest, hard money loans and loans requiring large balloon payments. Upon obtaining such debt
11 proceeds, Mattson has thereafter caused LM Investments to purchase many of those properties
12 from KSMP without LeFever's knowledge or approval. These acquisitions by the LM
13 Investments were completed subject to the aforementioned loans without LeFever's knowledge or
14 approval with the result that these LM Investments were saddled with unknown debt obligating
15 LM to make balloon payments soon after acquisition. In many instances, these are the non-
16 performing or under-developed properties that LM finds itself left with, described immediately
17 above.

18 76. At least three of the properties that KSMP recently sold to the LM Investments are
19 currently in default and at least two more have significant balloon payments due, meaning that the
20 LM Investments and their investors are at risk of suffering significant financial losses. KSMP,
21 meanwhile, took the money and ran.

22 **F. Mattson Enters Into the Indemnity Agreement and Admits Wrongdoing.**

23 77. After LeFever and LM confronted Mattson regarding his unauthorized Divi
24 transactions and other misconduct, Mattson entered into the Indemnity Agreement with LeFever
25 and LM.

26 78. Mattson made several key admissions in the Indemnity Agreement including
27 acknowledging that:
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- 1 • “none of the [Putative Divi Sales] were presented to the Board or shareholders of
- 2 Lefever Mattson prior to the date that the [Putative Divi Sales] were entered into”;
- 3 • “none of the [Putative Divi Sales] were authorized or approved by the Board or
- 4 shareholders of LeFever Mattson at any time prior to or after the date that the
- 5 [Putative Divi Sales] were entered into”;
- 6 • “neither LeFever nor LeFever Mattson is in any way a party to or obligated in
- 7 connection with any of the [Putative Divi Sales]”; and
- 8 • “neither LeFever nor LeFever Mattson received any benefit, directly or indirectly,
- 9 economic or otherwise, in connection with or as a result of the [Putative Divi Sales].”

10 79. Mattson agreed in the Indemnity Agreement that he and KSMP would indemnify
11 and hold harmless LeFever, LM, and the LM Investments from any expenses they might incur,
12 including attorney's fees, or claims they might face in connection with Mattson's or KSMP's
13 misconduct.

14 80. Mattson also agreed in the Indemnity Agreement to assist LM and LeFever by
15 providing them information they might request about Mattson's actions. Thus far, however,
16 Mattson has refused to provide LM and LeFever the information they have requested and LM and
17 LeFever believe there may be hundreds of unauthorized sales by Mattson in other LM Investments
18 that have yet to be accounted for. Mattson also has not reimbursed LM and LeFever fully for the
19 expenses they have already incurred and will shortly further incur in connection with investigating
20 and addressing the impact of Mattson's actions.

21 **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

22 **(Breach of Contract – LeFever, LM, and Divi against All Defendants)**

23 81. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth
24 in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 80.

25 82. KSMP and LeFever are each limited partners in Divi.

26 83. LM is Divi's general partner.

27 84. Mattson, KSMP, LeFever, LM, and Divi have each entered into and agreed to be
28 bound by the terms of the Divi LP Agreements.

1 85. The Original Divi LP Agreement prohibits limited partners from transferring Divi
2 limited partnership interests without both the Nonprofit's written approval and LM's written
3 approval. The Amended Divi LP Agreement prohibits limited partners from transferring Divi
4 limited partnership interests without LM's written approval.

5 86. In order to obtain LM's approval, there must be a consent vote from a majority of
6 LM's board of directors; in the case of LM, in all relevant times, only LeFever and Mattson served
7 as board of directors of LM and thus both LeFever and Mattson had to approve any transfer of
8 limited partnership interests.

9 87. The Nonprofit has fully performed all of its obligations under the Original Divi LP
10 Agreement by, among other things, acting as Divi's Managing General Partner. LM has fully
11 performed all of its obligations under the Divi LP Agreements by, among other things, acting as
12 Divi's general partner. LeFever has fully performed all of his obligations under the Divi LP
13 Agreements by, among other things, obtaining LM's written approval and, if needed, the
14 Nonprofit's written approval for any transfer of any Divi limited partnership interests to him or
15 from him. Divi has fully performed all of its obligations under the Divi LP Agreements by,
16 among other things, paying or reimbursing all direct expenses incurred in connection with the
17 administration and operation of Divi.

18 88. Defendants contend that KSMP has transferred Divi limited partnership interests to
19 numerous parties through the Putative Divi Sales.

20 89. KSMP did not at any time obtain LM's written approval for any of the Putative
21 Divi Sales and did not at any time obtain the Nonprofit's written approval for any of the Putative
22 Divi Sales that occurred prior to the adoption of the Amended Divi LP Agreement.

23 90. Plaintiffs contend that Divi limited partnership interests are only transferred under
24 the Original Divi LP Agreement if the transfer is authorized in writing in advance by both the
25 Nonprofit and LM and only transferred under the Amended Divi LP Agreement if the transfer is
26 authorized in writing in advance by LM. Plaintiffs further contend that because the Putative Divi
27 Sales were not authorized in writing in advance by LM and/or the Nonprofit, no Divi limited
28 partnership interests were actually transferred through the Putative Divi Sales, but Plaintiffs plead

1 in the alternative that if KSMP transferred Divi limited partnership interests to numerous third
2 parties through the Putative Divi Sales, KSMP breached the applicable Divi LP Agreement by
3 making the Putative Divi Sales without obtaining LM's and, if applicable, the Nonprofit's prior
4 written approval.

5 91. The amount (by value) of Divi limited partnership interests that KSMP purportedly
6 sold likely exceeded the amount (by value) of Divi limited partnership interests that KSMP and
7 LM together owned, and indeed may have exceed the total amount (by value) of Divi limited
8 partnership interests that Divi issued.

9 92. Thus, to the extent that KSMP transferred more Divi limited partnership interests in
10 percentage terms than 100%, LeFever, LM and Divi have each been harmed by KSMP's transfer
11 of additional Divi limited partnership interests in violation of the Divi LP Agreements through the
12 Putative Divi Sales because any such transfer diluted the respective ownership interests of all
13 owners of record in Divi.

14 93. LeFever and LM have also been harmed by KSMP's transfer of Divi limited
15 partnership interests in violation of the Divi LP Agreements through the Putative Divi Sales
16 because Defendants contend that certain of the Putative Divi Sales involved KSMP selling Divi
17 limited partnership interests that belonged to LM and neither LeFever nor LM received anything
18 in return for these unauthorized sales of LM's Divi limited partnership interests.

19 94. Each of Divi, LeFever, and LM has also been harmed by KSMP's transfer of Divi
20 limited partnership interests in violation of the Divi LP Agreements through the Putative Divi
21 Sales because Divi, LeFever, and LM have each incurred significant expenses in connection with
22 the investigation into the Putative Divi Sales and responding to related issues concerning the
23 unauthorized Putative Divi Sales. Divi, LeFever, and LM would not have incurred these expenses
24 if KSMP had not transferred Divi limited partnership interests in violation of the Divi LP
25 Agreement.

26 95. As a result of KSMP's breaches of the Divi LP Agreements, as alleged, Divi,
27 LeFever, and LM have suffered and continue to suffer damages, all in an amount to be determined
28 according to proof at trial, but which Plaintiffs estimate to be at least \$100 million.

1 96. After Defendants' wrongful conduct finally came to light, LeFever, LM, and
2 Mattson entered into the Indemnity Agreement under which Mattson agreed that Defendants
3 would indemnify and hold Plaintiffs harmless from the damage Defendants have already caused
4 Plaintiffs and from the harm Plaintiffs will suffer in the future because of Defendants'
5 wrongdoing. Mattson also agreed to assist LM and LeFever by providing them information they
6 might request about Mattson's actions so that LM and LeFever could help identify the putative
7 investors that Defendants had swindled and help ensure that Defendants remedied the harm they
8 caused to these putative investors.

9 97. Plaintiffs have fully performed under the Indemnity Agreement by, among other
10 things, tendering to Mattson indemnification demands for expenses covered by the Indemnity
11 Agreement and tendering to Mattson demands that Mattson advance funds for indemnifiable
12 expenses that Plaintiffs expected to incur.

13 98. Mattson has breached the Indemnity Agreement by, among other things failing to
14 pay for indemnifiable expenses that Divi, LeFever, and LM have tendered to Mattson and failing
15 to advance funds for indemnifiable expenses that Divi, LeFever, and LM expect to incur. Mattson
16 has also breached the Indemnity Agreement by failing to provide Plaintiffs information regarding
17 Defendants' misconduct that Plaintiffs requested from him.

18 99. Divi, LeFever, and LM have been harmed as a result of Mattson's breaches of the
19 Indemnity Agreement because Divi, LeFever, and LM have each incurred expenses that Mattson
20 is required to pay for or reimburse Divi, LeFever, and LM for but has not. Divi, LeFever, and LM
21 have also been harmed by Mattson's breaches of the Indemnity Agreement because they have each
22 incurred additional expenses to obtain information that Mattson was required to provide but did
23 not.

24 100. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that there is a unity of
25 interest between Mattson and KSMP because Mattson wholly owns KSMP, Mattson has used
26 KSMP's assets as his own and has commingled his assets with KSMP's, KSMP has failed to
27 observe partnership formalities, Mattson has transferred significant assets to KSMP such that
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1 Mattson lacks sufficient capital, is unable to satisfy his personal liabilities, and is the personal
2 equivalent of an empty shell corporation.

3 101. It would be inequitable to recognize KSMP's separate existence as a partnership
4 because Mattson has purposefully caused the majority of his assets to be held by KSMP so that he
5 can escape liability for his wrongdoing and be unable to satisfy creditors.

6 102. KSMP is therefore equally liable for Mattson's breaches of the Indemnity
7 Agreement under a reverse veil piercing theory.

8 103. Mattson, LM, and LeFever agreed in the Indemnity Agreement that the prevailing
9 party in any action arising out of the Indemnity Agreement is entitled to recover their attorneys'
10 fees from the opposing party. Mattson and LM are therefore entitled to recover from Defendants
11 any attorneys' fees that Mattson and LM incur in connection with this cause of action.

12 **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

13 **(Breach of Fiduciary duty – LM and LeFever against All Defendants)**

14 104. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth
15 in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 103.

16 105. At all times relevant herein, Mattson served as one of LM's officers and one of its
17 directors. In this capacity, Mattson owed LM and LeFever fiduciary duties, including the duty of
18 care, duty of loyalty, and the duty to disclose all material information to LM and LeFever.

19 106. Mattson breached the fiduciary duties he owed LM and LeFever by, among other
20 things, engaging in self-dealing transactions such as (1) causing LM to pay for real estate that
21 Mattson acquired in his own name and/or KSMP's name and not LM's including, but not limited
22 to, a lavish mansion in Sonoma that Mattson purchased for himself and which he now uses as his
23 primary residence, (2) misappropriating LM's corporate opportunities for KSMP, his wholly
24 owned company, (3) selling Divi partnership interests without authorization to do so, and retaining
25 the proceeds from the sales of LM's Divi partnership interests and any new or additional Divi
26 partnership interests solely for himself, (4) selling property owned by LM to a buyer who partially
27 funded the purchase by issuing a \$4 million promissory note and causing the promissory note to
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1 be in favor of one of Mattson's wholly-owned entities instead of LM, (5) failing to disclose the
2 secret Divi transactions; and (6) concealing his illicit transactions with the Covert Account.

3 107. Mattson's breaches of his fiduciary duties, as alleged, directly and proximately
4 harmed LM and LeFever by, among other things, causing LM to pay millions of dollars for
5 property at inflated prices that exclusively benefitted Mattson and/or KSMP, causing LM to sell
6 millions of dollars of valuable property and receiving nothing in return, diluting LM's and
7 LeFever's ownership interests in Divi, clouding title of LM's and LeFever's ownership interests in
8 Divi, and causing LM and LeFever to incur significant sums of money to investigate and
9 remediate the harm Mattson's conduct caused the third parties who believed they purchased Divi
10 partnership interests. Again and again, Mattson has placed his own personal interests above those
11 of LeFever and LM, benefiting himself to LeFever's and LM's detriment and in breach of the
12 fiduciary duties Mattson owed.

13 108. As a result of Mattson's conduct, as alleged, LM and LeFever have suffered and
14 continue to suffer damages, all in an amount to be determined according to proof at trial, but
15 which Plaintiffs estimate to be at least \$100 million.

16 109. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that there is a unity of
17 interest between Mattson and KSMP because Mattson wholly owns and controls KSMP, Mattson
18 has used KSMP's assets as his own and has commingled his assets with KSMP's, KSMP has
19 failed to observe partnership formalities, Mattson has transferred significant assets to KSMP such
20 that Mattson lacks sufficient capital, is unable to satisfy his personal liabilities, and is the personal
21 equivalent of an empty shell corporation.

22 110. It would be inequitable to recognize KSMP's separate existence as a partnership
23 because Mattson has purposefully caused the majority of his assets to be held by KSMP so that he
24 can escape liability for his wrongdoing and be unable to satisfy creditors.

25 111. KSMP is therefore equally liable for Mattson's breaches of fiduciary duty under a
26 reverse veil piercing theory.

27 112. Because KSMP is wholly owned by Mattson and Mattson alone manages KSMP,
28 Mattson's knowledge is imputed to KSMP, and KSMP therefore knew that Mattson owed LM and

1 LeFever fiduciary duties and that Mattson's conduct would violate the fiduciary duties Mattson
2 owed LM and LeFever.

3 113. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, KSMP substantially
4 assisted Mattson's breaches of the fiduciary duties Mattson owed LM and LeFever by, among
5 other things pursuing corporate opportunities Mattson diverted away from LM, purchasing
6 property that Mattson paid for using LM's funds, transferring said property to LM Investments at
7 inflated prices and only after, in many instances, heavily encumbering such property with debt
8 subject to extremely deleterious terms, and selling Divi limited partnership interests in transactions
9 KSMP knew were not authorized by LM.

10 114. KSMP's conduct was a substantial factor in causing LM's and LeFever's harm
11 because, among other things, Mattson could not have misappropriated LM's corporate
12 opportunities if KSMP did not pursue the opportunities that Mattson wrongfully diverted away
13 from LM, Mattson could not have caused LM to pay for property that was titled in KSMP's name
14 if KSMP did not acquire those properties, and Mattson could not have sold KSMP's Divi interests
15 without proper authorization unless KSMP agreed to sell those Divi limited partnership interests.

16 115. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, KSMP substantially
17 assisted Mattson's wrongful conduct individually for its own individual advantage.

18 116. As a result, and as an alternative to liability under a reverse veil piercing theory,
19 KSMP is jointly and severally liable for Mattson's breaches of his fiduciary duties because KSMP
20 aided and abetted those breaches.

21 117. Defendants' conduct, as alleged, was done with an intentional and conscious
22 disregard of LM's and LeFever's rights and with oppression, fraud, and malice as defined under
23 Civil Code Section 3294, entitling LM and LeFever to an award of punitive and exemplary
24 damages assessed against Defendants in a sum according to proof at trial, as a means of deterring
25 Defendants from committing similar acts and omissions in the future and punishing them for their
26 wrongful conduct.

1 **THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**

2 **(Breach of Duty of Good Faith and Fair Dealing – All Plaintiffs against KSMP)**

3 118. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth
4 in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 117.

5 119. As one of Divi's limited partners and one of Windscape's members, KSMP owed
6 Divi, Windscape, LM, and LeFever statutory duties of good faith and fair dealing.

7 120. KSMP breached the duties of good faith and fair dealing by, among other things,
8 misappropriating corporate opportunities from Divi and Windscape for its own benefit and to the
9 detriment of Plaintiffs.

10 121. For example, Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that in
11 September 2022, Mattson caused KSMP to purchase real estate in Sonoma for \$6.5 million. Five
12 weeks later, Mattson caused KSMP to sell that property to Windscape for \$7.5 million, netting
13 Defendants \$1,000,000 in the process and causing Windscape to pay \$1,000,000 more for the
14 property than it should have.

15 122. KSMP also breached its duties of good faith and fair dealing by selling the LM
16 Investments properties which KSMP used as security for high interest, hard money loans or loans
17 with large balloon payments in the future and then making the LM Investments' acquisition of
18 those properties subject to those loans notwithstanding that in many instances substantial portions
19 of the principal of these loans was paid to KSMP (each such sale subject to a hard money loan or a
20 loan with a large balloon payment, a "Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale"). KSMP knew
21 that Mattson concealed these Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions from Plaintiffs
22 and that Mattson did not have authority to cause the LM Investments to enter into the Hard
23 Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions, but KSMP nonetheless consummated the Hard
24 Money Loan Sale transactions so that KSMP could obtain a secret profit from the LM Investments
25 and saddle them with high interest, hard money loans and loans with large balloon payments
26 without Plaintiffs' knowledge or consent.

27 123. KSMP also breached its duties of good faith and fair dealing through the secret
28 Putative Divi Sales.

1 124. KSMP knew that it was required to disclose to LM and seek advance written
2 approval from LM to transfer any Divi limited partnership interests, but KSMP secretly conducted
3 the Putative Divi Sales without ever obtaining LM's written approval for any of the Putative Divi
4 Sales or ever even notifying LM that they had purportedly taken place.

5 125. Plaintiffs contend that Divi limited partnership interests are only transferred if the
6 transfer is authorized in writing by LM and/or the Nonprofit and that because the Putative Divi
7 Sales were not authorized in writing by LM or the Nonprofit (as applicable), no Divi limited
8 partnership interests were actually transferred through the Putative Divi Sales, but Plaintiffs plead
9 in the alternative that if KSMP did, in fact, transfer Divi limited partnership interests to numerous
10 parties through the Putative Divi Sales without obtaining LM's written approval, then LeFever and
11 LM have each been harmed by KSMP's transfer of Divi limited partnership interests through the
12 Putative Divi Sales because any such transfer diluted LeFever's and LM's respective ownership
13 interests in Divi.

14 126. LM has also been harmed by KSMP's transfer of Divi limited partnership interests
15 in the Putative Divi Sales because Defendants contend that certain of the Putative Divi Sales
16 involved KSMP selling Divi limited partnership interests that belonged to LM and LM did not
17 receive anything in return for these unauthorized sales of LM's Divi limited partnership interests.

18 127. Each of Divi, LeFever, and LM has also been harmed by KSMP's transfer of Divi
19 limited partnership interests through the Putative Divi Sales because Divi, LeFever, and LM have
20 each incurred significant expenses in connection with the investigation into the Putative Divi Sales
21 and responding to related issues concerning the unauthorized Putative Divi Sales. Divi, LeFever,
22 and LM would not have incurred these expenses if KSMP had not transferred Divi limited
23 partnership interests in violation of the Divi LP Agreements.

24 128. Plaintiffs have also been harmed by the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale
25 transactions because they have been forced to pay KSMP above-market rates for the respective
26 properties while at the same time being saddled with high interest, hard money loans, many of
27 which are already in default and face potential foreclosure and/or loans with large future balloon
28 payments. All principal of these loans paid or received by KSMP constitutes additional theft in

1 that the LM Investments are reduced in value on a dollar-for-dollar basis by the amount of
2 principal paid or received by KSMP.

3 129. As a result of KSMP's breaches of its duties of good faith and fair dealing, as
4 alleged, Divi, Windscape, LeFever, and LM have suffered and continue to suffer damages, all in
5 an amount to be determined according to proof at trial, but which Plaintiffs estimate to be at least
6 \$100 million.

7 130. Because KSMP is wholly owned by Mattson and Mattson alone manages KSMP,
8 Mattson has knowledge of all facts that KSMP knows and Mattson therefore knew that KSMP
9 owed Divi, Windscape, LM, and LeFever statutory duties of good faith and fair dealing and that
10 KSMP's conduct would violate the duties of good faith and fair dealing that KSMP owed Divi,
11 Windscape, LM and LeFever.

12 131. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, Mattson substantially
13 assisted KSMP's breaches of the duties of good faith and fair dealing that KSMP owed Divi,
14 Windscape, LM and LeFever by, among other things diverting Divi's and Windscape's corporate
15 opportunities to KSMP and causing KSMP to sell Divi limited partnership interests in transactions
16 KSMP and Mattson knew were not authorized by LM.

17 132. Mattson's conduct was a substantial factor in causing Divi's, Windscape's, LM's
18 and LeFever's harm because, among other things, KSMP could not have misappropriated Divi's
19 and Windscape's corporate opportunities if Mattson did not divert them to KSMP and KSMP
20 could not have sold its Divi interests without proper authorization unless Mattson concealed those
21 sales from LM, LeFever, and Divi.

22 133. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, Mattson substantially
23 assisted KSMP's wrongful conduct individually for his own individual advantage and not merely
24 by acting on KSMP's behalf.

25 134. As a result, Mattson is jointly and severally liable with KSMP for KSMP's
26 breaches of its statutory duty of good faith and fair dealing because Mattson aided and abetted
27 those breaches.

135. Defendants' conduct, as alleged, was done with an intentional and conscious disregard of Plaintiffs' rights and with oppression, fraud, and malice as defined under Civil Code Section 3294, entitling Plaintiffs to an award of punitive and exemplary damages assessed against each of the Defendants in a sum according to proof at trial, as a means of deterring the Defendants from committing similar acts and omissions in the future and punishing the Defendants for their wrongful conduct.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Conversion – LM against All Defendants)

136. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 135.

137. LM had an ownership interest in, among other things, real property on Butcher Road in Vacaville, California (the “Butcher Road Property”).

138. Defendants substantially interfered with LM's ownership interest in the Butcher Road Property by, among other things, selling the Butcher Road Property.

139. The sales proceeds from the sale of the Butcher Road Property included a \$4 million promissory note (the “Note”). Because of LM’s ownership interest in the Butcher Road Property, LM likewise had an ownership interest in the proceeds from any sale of that property, including the Note. Plaintiff is informed and believes and, on that basis alleges, that Defendants substantially interfered with LM’s interest in the Note without LM’s authorization by causing the Note to be exclusively in favor of KSMP and not in LM’s favor.

140. Defendants contend that some of the Divi limited partnership interests they sold in the Putative Divi Sales were owned by LM.

141. Plaintiffs contend that Divi limited partnership interests are only transferred if the transfer is authorized in writing by LM and/or the Nonprofit and that because the Putative Divi Sales were not authorized in writing by LM or the Nonprofit (as applicable), no Divi limited partnership interests were actually transferred through the Putative Divi Sales, but Plaintiffs plead in the alternative that if KSMP did, in fact, transfer Divi limited partnership interests to numerous third parties through the Putative Divi Sales without obtaining LM's written approval, then

1 Defendants substantially interfered with LM's Divi limited partnership interests by purportedly
2 selling them in the Putative Divi Sales without LM's authorization.

3 142. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis allege, that Mattson
4 transferred more than \$6 million of LM's money (the "Escrowed Funds") into an escrow account.
5 The Escrowed Funds are a specific and identifiable sum that LM owned. Defendants substantially
6 interfered with LM's ownership interest in the Escrowed Funds without LM's authorization by
7 causing the escrow agent to pay the Escrowed Funds for Mattson's palatial home in Sonoma that
8 that Defendants titled exclusively in Mattson's or KSMP's name.

9 143. Defendants' interference with LM's ownership interest in the Note, the Escrowed
10 Funds, and LM's Divi limited partnership interests (collectively, the "Converted Property) and
11 disposition of the Converted Property, as alleged, was not authorized by LM and was wrongful.

12 144. Defendants' wrongful conversion directly and proximately caused LM significant
13 harm because LM no longer has access to or possession of the Converted Property.

14 145. As a result of Defendants' conversion, as alleged, LM has suffered and continues to
15 suffer damages, all in an amount to be determined according to proof at trial, but which Plaintiffs
16 estimate to be at least \$10 million.

17 146. Defendants' conduct, as alleged, was done with an intentional and conscious
18 disregard of LM's rights and with oppression, fraud, and malice as defined under Civil Code
19 Section 3294, entitling LM to an award of punitive and exemplary damages assessed against each
20 of the Defendants in a sum according to proof at trial, as a means of deterring them from
21 committing similar acts and omissions in the future and punishing them for their wrongful
22 conduct.

23 **FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

24 **(Constructive Fraud – LM and LeFever against All Defendants)**

25 147. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth
26 in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 146.

1 148. At all times relevant herein, Mattson has served as one or more of LM's officers
2 and one of its directors. In this capacity, Mattson owed LM and LeFever fiduciary duties,
3 including a duty to disclose all material information to LM.

4 149. Mattson breached his fiduciary duty to disclose all material information to LM and
5 LeFever by, among other things, failing to disclose the Putative Divi Sales, failing to disclose the
6 corporate opportunities that he diverted to KSMP and allowed KSMP to misappropriate, and
7 failing to disclose that he was causing LM and the LM Investments to pay inflated prices for
8 heavily indebted real estate that Mattson was purchasing in his own name and/or in KSMP's name
9 keeping for himself the more desirable properties (including, but not limited to, the lavish Sonoma
10 home Mattson bought himself using LM's funds) and unloading the undesirable and/or
11 unprofitable ones on LM and the LM investments.

12 150. LM and LeFever would have taken steps to prevent Mattson's aforementioned
13 wrongful conduct on their own behalf and on behalf of the LM Investments as their respective
14 general partners and/or managing members if Mattson had complied with his fiduciary duties and
15 disclosed these facts to LM and LeFever before Mattson completed his wrongful misconduct.

16 151. LM and LeFever were harmed by Mattson wrongful suppression of the
17 aforementioned facts and constructive fraud because LM and LeFever have each incurred
18 significant expenses in connection with the investigation of the Putative Divi Sales and, to the
19 extent the Putative Divi Sales involved actual sales of Divi limited partnership interests that had
20 not been previously issued, because the Putative Divi Sales diluted LM's and LeFever's
21 ownership interest in Divi.

22 152. LM was also harmed by Mattson's wrongful suppression of the aforementioned
23 facts and constructive fraud because LM paid more than \$6 million for the lavish Sonoma home
24 that Mattson titled in his own name and/or in KSMP's name and because LM did not obtain the
25 profit or financial benefit it would have received from the corporate opportunities that Mattson
26 wrongfully diverted to KSMP.

27 153. LM has also been harmed by Mattson's wrongful suppression of the
28 aforementioned facts and constructive fraud because LM and the LM Investments unwittingly

1 took title to properties subject to the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions and
2 thereby have been forced to pay KSMP above-market prices for the respective properties while at
3 the same time being saddled with high interest, hard money loans and/or loans with large future
4 balloon payments, many of which are already in default and face foreclosure.

5 154. As a result of Mattson constructive fraud, as alleged, LeFever and LM have
6 suffered and continue to suffer damages, all in an amount to be determined according to proof at
7 trial, but which Plaintiffs estimate to be at least \$100 million.

8 155. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that there is a unity of
9 interest between Mattson and KSMP because Mattson wholly owns KSMP, Mattson has used
10 KSMP's assets as his own and has commingled his assets with KSMP's, KSMP has failed to
11 observe partnership formalities, Mattson has transferred significant assets to KSMP such that
12 Mattson lacks sufficient capital, is unable to satisfy his personal liabilities, and is the personal
13 equivalent of an empty shell corporation.

14 156. It would be inequitable to recognize KSMP's separate existence as a partnership
15 because Mattson has purposefully caused the majority of his assets to be held by KSMP so that he
16 can escape liability for his wrongdoing and be unable to satisfy creditors.

17 157. KSMP is therefore equally liable for Mattson's breaches of fiduciary duty under a
18 reverse veil piercing theory.

19 158. Because KSMP is wholly owned by Mattson and Mattson alone manages KSMP,
20 Mattson's knowledge is imputed to KSMP, and KSMP therefore knew that Mattson owed LM and
21 LeFever fiduciary duties and that Mattson's concealment of material facts would violate the
22 fiduciary duties Mattson owed LM and LeFever and be constructively fraudulent conduct.

23 159. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, KSMP substantially
24 assisted Mattson's constructive fraud by, among other things pursuing corporate opportunities
25 Mattson concealed from and diverted away from LM and LeFever, purchasing property that
26 Mattson paid for using LM's funds knowing that Mattson concealed the transactions from LM and
27 LeFever, completing the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions knowing that
28 Mattson had concealed the transactions from LM, LeFever, and the LM Investments, and selling

1 Divi limited partnership interests in transactions KSMP knew Mattson had not disclosed to LM
2 and LeFever and that were not authorized by LM.

3 160. KSMP's conduct was a substantial factor in causing LM's and LeFever's harm
4 because, among other things, Mattson could not have misappropriated LM's corporate
5 opportunities if KSMP did not pursue the opportunities that Mattson wrongfully diverted away
6 from LM, Mattson could not have caused LM to pay for property that was titled in KSMP's name
7 if KSMP did not acquire those properties, Mattson could not have caused LM and the LM
8 Investments to enter into the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions if KSMP was
9 not the willing counterparty to those transactions, and Mattson could not have sold KSMP's Divi
10 interests without proper authorization unless KSMP agreed to sell those Divi limited partnership
11 interests.

12 161. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, KSMP substantially
13 assisted Mattson's wrongful conduct individually for its own individual advantage.

14 162. As a result, and as an alternative to liability under a reverse veil piercing theory,
15 KSMP is jointly and severally liable for Mattson's constructive fraud because KSMP aided and
16 abetted those breaches.

17 163. Defendants' conduct, as alleged, was done with an intentional and conscious
18 disregard of LM's and LeFever's rights and with oppression, fraud, and malice as defined under
19 Civil Code Section 3294, entitling LM and LeFever to an award of punitive and exemplary
20 damages assessed against each of the Defendants in a sum according to proof at trial, as a means
21 of deterring them from committing similar acts and omissions in the future and punishing them for
22 their wrongful conduct.

23 **SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

24 **(Fraudulent Concealment – LM and LeFever against All Defendants)**

25 164. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth
26 in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 163.

1 165. At all times relevant herein, Mattson has served as one or more of LM's officers
2 and one of its directors. In this capacity, Mattson owed LM and LeFever fiduciary duties,
3 including a duty to disclose all material information to LM.

4 166. Despite having a duty to disclose all relevant information to LM and LeFever,
5 Mattson actively concealed and failed to disclose to LM and LeFever, among other things, the
6 Putative Divi Sales, the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sales, the corporate opportunities
7 that he diverted to KSMP and allowed KSMP to misappropriate, and that he was causing LM to
8 pay for real estate that Mattson was purchasing in his own name and/or in KSMP's name
9 including, but not limited to, the lavish Sonoma home Mattson bought himself using LM's funds.

10 167. Mattson's fraudulent concealment was not limited to mere nondisclosure of facts he
11 was legally obligated to disclose to LM and LeFever: Mattson actively concealed the above facts
12 by, among other things, using the Covert Account to hide the transactions from LM and LeFever,
13 using his own post office box and not LM's address so that that any correspondence regarding the
14 Putative Divi Sales would be diverted away from LM and instead be routed directly to him, failing
15 to report to LM any of the activities and transactions effected utilizing the Covert Account,
16 prohibiting any LM employees or anyone else to access the Covert Account, failing to document
17 the Putative Divi Sales with purchase agreements and other records Mattson knew he was
18 supposed to use to document the transactions so that there was no paper trail documenting his
19 wrongful conduct, maintain a separate email account independent of LM servers and using this
20 email account exclusively for all business dealings, maintaining all of his records on a personal
21 laptop and sharing none of those records with LM, and by instructing his assistant not to disclose
22 to LM and LeFever the existence of and facts concerning Mattson's wrongful conduct and illicit
23 transactions.

24 168. Mattson intentionally concealed these facts from LM and LeFever so that they
25 would not discover or ever be in a position to take steps to prevent Mattson's aforementioned
26 wrongful misconduct.

27 169. LM and LeFever relied on the nonexistence of the facts Mattson concealed from
28 them because LM and LeFever would have taken steps on their own behalf and on behalf of the

1 LM Investments as their respective general partners and/or managing members to prevent
2 Mattson's aforementioned wrongful conduct if Mattson had not actively concealed the facts and
3 instead disclosed these facts to LM and LeFever before Mattson completed his wrongful
4 misconduct.

5 170. LM and LeFever's reliance on the nonexistence of the facts Mattson concealed
6 from them was reasonable because Mattson was LeFever's close personal friend, LeFever trusted
7 Mattson completely and would therefore have no reason to believe that Mattson was concealing
8 information from him or trying to harm him, and because Mattson was an officer and director of
9 LM and was under a legal obligation to disclose material facts to LM and LeFever.

10 171. LM and LeFever were harmed by Mattson's wrongful suppression of the
11 aforementioned facts and fraudulent concealment because LM and LeFever have each incurred
12 significant expenses in connection with the investigation of the Putative Divi Sales and, to the
13 extent the Putative Divi Sales involved actual sales of Divi limited partnership interests (which
14 Plaintiffs contend did not occur because LM and/or the Nonprofit did not approve the sales) and to
15 the extent that such limited partnership interests had not been previously issued, LM and LeFever
16 were harmed because the Putative Divi Sales diluted LM's and LeFever's ownership interest in
17 Divi.

18 172. LM was also harmed by Mattson's wrongful suppression of the aforementioned
19 facts and fraudulent concealment because LM paid more than \$6 million for lavish Sonoma home
20 that Mattson titled in his own name and/or in KSMP's name and because LM did not obtain the
21 profit or financial benefit it would have received from the corporate opportunities that Mattson
22 wrongfully diverted to KSMP.

23 173. LM has also been harmed by Mattson's wrongful suppression of the
24 aforementioned facts and fraudulent concealment because LM and the LM Investments
25 unwittingly entered into the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions and thereby
26 have been forced to pay KSMP above-market rates for the respective properties while at the same
27 time being saddled with high interest, hard money loans and/or loans with large balloon payments,
28 many of which are already in default and face foreclosure.

1 174. As a result of Mattson fraudulent concealment, as alleged, LeFever and LM have
2 suffered and continue to suffer damages, all in an amount to be determined according to proof at
3 trial, but which Plaintiffs estimate to be at least \$100 million.

4 175. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that there is a unity of
5 interest between Mattson and KSMP because Mattson wholly owns KSMP, Mattson has used
6 KSMP's assets as his own and has commingled his assets with KSMP's, KSMP has failed to
7 observe partnership formalities, Mattson has transferred significant assets to KSMP such that
8 Mattson lacks sufficient capital, is unable to satisfy his personal liabilities, and is the personal
9 equivalent of an empty shell corporation.

10 176. It would be inequitable to recognize KSMP's separate existence as a partnership
11 because Mattson has purposefully caused the majority of his assets to be held by KSMP so that he
12 can escape liability for his wrongdoing and be unable to satisfy creditors.

13 177. KSMP is therefore equally liable for Mattson's fraudulent concealment under a
14 reverse veil piercing theory.

15 178. Because KSMP is wholly owned by Mattson and Mattson alone manages KSMP,
16 Mattson's knowledge is imputed to KSMP, and KSMP therefore knew that Mattson owed LM and
17 LeFever fiduciary duties, that Mattson was under a duty to disclose all material facts to LM and
18 LeFever, and that Mattson's concealment of material facts would violate the fiduciary duties
19 Mattson owed LM and LeFever and be constructively fraudulent conduct.

20 179. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, KSMP substantially
21 assisted Mattson's fraudulent concealment by, among other things pursuing corporate
22 opportunities Mattson concealed from and diverted away from LM, purchasing property that
23 Mattson paid for using LM's funds knowing that Mattson concealed the transactions from LM,
24 completing the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions knowing that Mattson
25 concealed the transactions from LM, LeFever, and the LM Investments, and selling Divi limited
26 partnership interests in transactions KSMP knew Mattson had not disclosed to LM and that were
27 not authorized by LM.

180. KSMP's conduct was a substantial factor in causing LM's and LeFever's harm because, among other things, Mattson could not have misappropriated LM's corporate opportunities if KSMP did not pursue the opportunities that Mattson wrongfully diverted away from LM, Mattson could not have caused LM to pay for property that was titled in KSMP's name if KSMP did not acquire those properties, Mattson could not have sold KSMP's Divi interests without proper authorization unless KSMP agreed to sell those Divi limited partnership interests, LM and LeFever would not have had to incur costs investigating the secret Putative Divi Sales unless KSMP agreed to sell the respective Divi limited partnership interests, and Mattson could not have caused LM and the LM Investments to enter into the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions if KSMP was not the willing counterparty to those transactions.

181. To the extent that KSMP is not the alter-ego of Mattson, KSMP substantially assisted Mattson's wrongful conduct individually for its own individual advantage.

182. As a result, and as an alternative to liability under a reverse veil piercing theory, KSMP is jointly and severally liable for Mattson’s fraudulent concealment because KSMP aided and abetted those breaches.

183. Defendants' conduct, as alleged, was done with an intentional and conscious disregard of LM's and LeFever's rights and with oppression, fraud, and malice as defined under Civil Code Section 3294, entitling LM and LeFever to an award of punitive and exemplary damages assessed against each of the Defendants in a sum according to proof at trial, as a means of deterring them from committing similar acts and omissions in the future and punishing them for their wrongful conduct.

SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Receiving Stolen Property in Violation of Cal. Pen. Code § 496 – LM against All Defendants)

184. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 183.

185. Defendants obtained the Converted Property from LM through theft by false pretenses.

186. Defendants each had actual or constructive possession of the Converted Property after they stole it from LM, concealed the Converted Property from LM, and/or withheld the Converted Property from LM, knowing that the Converted Property was stolen from LM.

187. Pursuant to California Penal Code Section 496(c), LM is entitled to recover from Defendants three times the amount of damages LM suffered in connection with Defendants' violation of California Penal Code Section 496 and recover from Defendants the attorneys' fees LM incurs in connection with this civil action.

EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory Relief – All Plaintiffs against All Defendants)

188. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 187.

189. An actual controversy has arisen and now exists between Plaintiffs, on the one hand, and Defendants, on the other, concerning the following issues:

A. Whether the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative Divi Sales. Plaintiffs contend that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative Divi Sales. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Defendants contend that the Indemnity Agreement does not obligate Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative Divi Sales.

B. Whether the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to advance to Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative Divi Sales. Plaintiffs contend that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to advance to Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs

1 concerning the Putative Divi Sales. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege
2 that Defendants contend that the Indemnity Agreement does not obligate Mattson to advance to
3 Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction of any
4 claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning
5 the Putative Divi Sales.

6 C. Whether the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs
7 for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative
8 investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in
9 other LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization. Plaintiffs contend that
10 the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in
11 satisfaction of any claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants
12 purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in other LM Investments without
13 obtaining LM's prior written authorization. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis,
14 allege that Defendants contend that the Indemnity Agreement does not obligate Mattson to
15 reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims asserted against
16 Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or
17 membership interests in other LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization.

18 D. Whether the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to advance to
19 Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction of any
20 claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold
21 partnership interests or membership interests in other LM Investments without obtaining LM's
22 prior written authorization. Plaintiffs contend that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to
23 advance to Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction
24 of any claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly
25 sold partnership interests or membership interests in other LM Investments without obtaining
26 LM's prior written authorization. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that
27 Defendants contend that the Indemnity Agreement does not obligate Mattson to advance to
28 Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction of any

1 claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold
2 partnership interests or membership interests in other LM Investments without obtaining LM's
3 prior written authorization.

4 E. Whether Divi is permitted to offset any payments Divi might make in
5 satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against
6 Divi concerning the Putative Divi Sales against distributions Defendants might otherwise receive
7 or be entitled to. Plaintiffs contend that Divi is permitted to offset any payments Divi might make
8 in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against
9 Divi concerning the Putative Divi Sales against distributions Defendants might otherwise receive
10 or be entitled to. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Defendants
11 contend that Divi is not permitted to offset any payments Divi might make in satisfaction of any
12 claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Divi concerning the
13 Putative Divi Sales against distributions Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to.

14 F. Whether the other LM Investments are permitted to offset any payments
15 they might make in satisfaction of claims asserted against them by putative investors to whom
16 Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in such LM Investments
17 without obtaining LM's prior written authorization against the LM Investments' distributions that
18 Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to. Plaintiffs contend that the other LM
19 Investments are permitted to offset any payments they might make in satisfaction of claims
20 asserted against them by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership
21 interests or membership interests in such LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior written
22 authorization against the LM Investments' distributions that Defendants might otherwise receive
23 or be entitled to. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and, on that basis, allege that Defendants
24 contend that the other LM Investments are not permitted to offset any payments they might make
25 in satisfaction of claims asserted against them by putative investors to whom Defendants
26 purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in such LM Investments without
27 obtaining LM's prior written authorization against the LM Investments' distributions that
28 Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to.

1 G. Whether LM is permitted to offset any payments it might make in
2 satisfaction of claims asserted against LM by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly
3 sold partnership interests or membership interests in Divi or the LM Investments without
4 obtaining LM's prior written authorization against any dividends LM might declare and/or any
5 other amounts that Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to from LM. Plaintiffs
6 contend that LM is permitted to offset any payments it might make in satisfaction of claims
7 asserted against LM by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership
8 interests or membership interests in Divi or the LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior
9 written authorization against any dividends LM might declare and/or any other amounts that
10 Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to from LM. Plaintiffs are informed and believe
11 and, on that basis, allege that Defendants contend that LM is not permitted to offset any payments
12 it might make in satisfaction of claims asserted against LM by putative investors to whom
13 Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in Divi or the LM
14 Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization against any dividends LM might
15 declare and/or any other amounts that Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to from
16 LM.

17 190. Plaintiffs desire a judicial determination of the parties' respective rights and interest
18 as to the foregoing matters, and a judicial declaration that (a) the Indemnity Agreement obligates
19 Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims that the
20 putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative
21 Divi Sales; (b) the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to advance to Plaintiffs funds
22 sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction of any claims that the
23 putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative
24 Divi Sales; (c) the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to reimburse Plaintiffs for any
25 payments they make in satisfaction of any claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors
26 to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in other LM
27 Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization; (d) the Indemnity Agreement
28 obligates Mattson to advance to Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might

1 make in satisfaction of any claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom
2 Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in other LM
3 Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization; (e) Divi is permitted to offset any
4 payments Divi might make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the
5 Putative Divi Sales assert against Divi concerning the Putative Divi Sales against distributions
6 Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to; (f) the other LM Investments are permitted
7 to offset any payments they might make in satisfaction of claims asserted against them by putative
8 investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in
9 such LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization against the LM
10 Investments' distributions that Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to; and (g) LM is
11 permitted to offset any payments it might make in satisfaction of claims asserted against LM by
12 putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership
13 interests in Divi or the LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization against
14 any dividends LM might declare and/or any other amounts that Defendants might otherwise
15 receive or be entitled to from LM.

16 191. A judicial declaration is necessary and appropriate at this time to avoid continuing
17 disputes and future litigation between the parties and the uncertainty such disputes have created
18 and will create in the future.

19 **NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

20 **(Removal of Director Pursuant to California Corporations Code § 304 – LM & LeFever** 21 **against Mattson)**

22 192. Plaintiffs replead, reallege, and incorporate herein by reference, as though set forth
23 in full, the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 191.

24 193. Because LeFever owns 50% of the outstanding shares of LM's stock, California
25 Corporations Code Section 304 authorizes the Court to remove Mattson as a director and to bar
26 him from reelection to LM's board of directors.

194. Mattson has grossly abused his authority and/or discretion through his self-dealing, conversion, violations of the fiduciary duties he owes LM, his fraudulent concealment and constructive fraud, all as alleged above.

195. As a result of Mattson's gross abuse of authority and/or gross abuse of discretion, this Court should remove Mattson from his position as one of LM's directors and should bar him from serving as one of LM's directors in the future.

196. Mattson has committed fraudulent and dishonest acts against LM through his self-dealing, conversion, violations of the fiduciary duties he owes LM, his fraudulent concealment and constructive fraud, all as alleged above.

197. As a result of Mattson's fraudulent and dishonest acts, this Court should remove Mattson from his position as one of LM's directors and should bar him from serving as one of LM's directors in the future.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment as follows:

On the First Cause of Action

1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
2. For disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains; and
3. For recovery of LM's and LeFever's attorneys' fees.

On the Second Cause of Action

1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
2. For disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains; and
3. For punitive and exemplary damages as alleged and as the proof at trial may show.

On the Third Cause of Action

1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
2. For rescission of the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions;
3. For disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains; and
4. For punitive and exemplary damages as alleged and as the proof at trial may show.

1 **On the Fourth Cause of Action**

- 2 1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
- 3 2. For disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains; and
- 4 3. For punitive and exemplary damages as alleged and as the proof at trial may show.

5 **On the Fifth Cause of Action**

- 6 1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
- 7 2. For rescission of the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions;
- 8 3. For disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains; and
- 9 4. For punitive and exemplary damages as alleged and as the proof at trial may show.

10 **On the Sixth Cause of Action**

- 11 1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
- 12 2. For rescission of the Hard Money/Balloon Payment Loan Sale transactions;
- 13 3. For disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains; and
- 14 4. For punitive and exemplary damages as alleged and as the proof at trial may show.

15 **On the Seventh Cause of Action**

- 16 1. For compensatory damages as the proof at trial may show;
- 17 2. For recovery from Mattson and KSMP of three times LM's damages as the proof at
- 18 trial may show; and
- 19 3. For recovery of LM's attorneys' fees.

20 **On the Eighth Cause of Action**

- 21 1. For a judicial declaration that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to
- 22 reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative
- 23 investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs concerning the Putative Divi Sales;
- 24 2. For a judicial declaration that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to
- 25 advance to Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction
- 26 of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert against Plaintiffs
- 27 concerning the Putative Divi Sales;
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1 3. For a judicial declaration that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to
2 reimburse Plaintiffs for any payments they make in satisfaction of any claims asserted against
3 Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or
4 membership interests in other LM Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization;

5 4. For a judicial declaration that the Indemnity Agreement obligates Mattson to
6 advance to Plaintiffs funds sufficient to cover any payments Plaintiffs might make in satisfaction
7 of any claims asserted against Plaintiffs by putative investors to whom Defendants purportedly
8 sold partnership interests or membership interests in other LM Investments without obtaining
9 LM's prior written authorization;

10 5. For a judicial declaration that Divi is permitted to offset any payments Divi might
11 make in satisfaction of any claims that the putative investors from the Putative Divi Sales assert
12 against Divi concerning the Putative Divi Sales against distributions of capital or income that
13 Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to; and

14 6. For a judicial declaration that the other LM Investments are permitted to offset any
15 payments they might make in satisfaction of claims asserted against them by putative investors to
16 whom Defendants purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in such LM
17 Investments without obtaining LM's prior written authorization against the LM Investments'
18 distributions of capital or income that Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to.

19 7. For a judicial declaration that LM is permitted to offset any payments it might
20 make in satisfaction of claims asserted against LM by putative investors to whom Defendants
21 purportedly sold partnership interests or membership interests in Divi or the LM Investments
22 without obtaining LM's prior written authorization against any dividends LM might declare and/or
23 any other amounts that Defendants might otherwise receive or be entitled to from LM.

24 **On the Ninth Cause of Action**

- 25 1. For an order removing Mattson as one of LM's directors; and
26 2. For an injunction barring Mattson as one of LM's directors in the future.

27 **On All Causes of Action**


- 28 1. For costs of suit herein; and

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2. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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