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6 7	IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT				
	FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA				
8	In re: (Chapter 7 Case)				
9	MORTGAGES, Ltd. No. 2:08-bk-07465-RJH				
10 11 12	Debtor.  TRUSTEE OF THE ESTATE OF TEMPE LAND COMPANY, LLC's RESPONSE TO OBJECTION TO CLAIM				
Dale D. Ulrich, Trustee of the Estate of Tempe Land Company, LLC ("Trustee"), for his I to Objection to Claim, respectfully represents as follows:  1. The Tempe Land Company, LLC ("TLC") case was commenced by voluntary peti					
16 17 18	by the Debtor under Chapter 11 on December 5, 2008, which converted to Chapter 7 on September 2009	22,			
19	2 Trustee is the duly qualified and acting trustee of the Chapter 7 Estate of TI C				
20	3. Prior to Trustee's appointment, TLC filed a Proof of Claim in this case (Exhibit "A").				
21	4. TLC also commenced an adversary proceeding against Debtor in the TLC case (2:08-ap-				
22	812) seeking to liquidate its claim.				
23	5. Although not served upon Trustee, ML Liquidating Trust, has objected to TLC's claim.				
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25	The objection seeks to disallow TLC's claim without stating any basis. The objection states that a supplement will be filed once "more information is available". No supplement has been received by				
26 27	Trustee.				

6. Trustee submits that no basis has been established to disallow the TLC claim. The objection seeks to side step the adversary proceeding. Trustee should be allowed to make his own determination on whether to advance the adversary proceeding, or the objecting party should proceed in 3 the adversary and not by claim objection. 5 WHEREFORE, Trustee submits that the objection to the TLC claim should be overruled. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2009. LANE & NACH, P.C. By\_\_\_ /s/ MPL - 007435 Michael P. Lane Attorney for Dale D. Ulrich, Trustee of 10 The Estate of Tempe Land Company, LLC 11 COPY of the foregoing mailed/delivered via electronic notification to: 12 William Scott Jenkins 13 Jill M. Hulsizer MYERS & JENKINS, P.C. 14 One East Camelback Road, Suite 500 Phoenix, AZ 85012 15 Attorneys for Kevin T. O'Halloran, Trustee of the ML Liquidating Trust 16 Office of the U.S. Trustee 230 North First Avenue, Suite 204 17 Phoenix, AZ 85003-1706 18 By /s/Rogene Clark 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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## SCHEDULE OF CLAIM

This matter arises from Tempe Land Company, LLC's ("TLC") claims against the Debtor for damages, declaratory and injunctive relief because Debtor defaulted on its obligations to provide tens of millions of dollars of development and construction financing for the ongoing Centerpoint Condominium Project in Tempe, Arizona. See Draft Complaint attached hereto.

The amount of TLC's claim is unliquidated at this time, however, in no event any less than \$60,000,000.00. Additional damages continue to accrue daily.

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# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE STATED OF ARIZONA

In re:

Mortgages Ltd.,

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 2-08-bk-07465-RJH

Adv. No.

TEMPE LAND COMPANY, L.L.C., an Arizona limited liability company; KINGSTON CAPITAL CO, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; GRAYSTAR INVESTMENTS, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; KENNETH K. LOSCH, an unmarried man; and DAVID C. DEWAR, a married man acting as a sole and separate individual,

Plaintiffs.

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MORTGAGES, LTD., an Arizona corporation; ESTATE OF SCOTT M. COLES; SCOTT COLES TRUST OR TRUSTS; ASHLEY COLES, widow of Scott M. Coles; ABC CORPORATIONS, TRUSTS AND BUSINESS ENTITIES NO. 1-100; AND JOHN DOE DEFENDANTS NOS 1-100.

Defendants.

ADVERSARY COMPLAINT

Plaintiffs, for their adversary complaint, hereby allege as follows:

1	INTRODUCTION
1	1. This action for damages, declaratory and injunctive relief has been brought
2	because Defendant Mortgages Ltd. defaulted on its obligations to provide tens of
3	millions of dollars of development and construction financing for the ongoing
4	Centerpoint Project in Tempe, Arizona. After initially defaulting on its lending
5	obligations, Mortgages Ltd., through its now-deceased former Chief Executive Officer,
6	induced Plaintiffs to enter into a financial restructuring transaction through material
7	misrepresentations and omissions concerning Mortgages Ltd.'s financial status and
8	ability to perform, and his own ability, and the ability of his Trust or trusts in which he
9	held substantial assets, to support Mortgages Ltd.'s performance. Mortgages Ltd.
10	shortly thereafter defaulted on its obligations under the financial restructuring
11	transaction. Mortgages Ltd.=s breach of its loan funding obligations has jeopardized
12	the timing and completion of the Centerpoint Project and has caused the developer a
13	minimum of several tens of millions of dollars in compensable damages.
14	PARTIES
15	2. Plaintiff Tempe Land Company, LLC ("Tempe Land Company") is an
16	Arizona limited liability company with its principal place of business in Maricopa County,

- n Arizona.
- Plaintiff Kingston Capital Co, LLC ("Kingston Capital") is an Arizona limited 3. liability company with its principal place of business in Maricopa County, Arizona.
- Plaintiff Graystar Investments, LLC ("Graystar Investments") is an Arizona limited liability company with its principal place of business in Maricopa County, Arizona.
- Plaintiff Kenneth K. Losch ("Losch") is an unmarried man and is a citizen 5. and resident of Maricopa County, Arizona.
- Plaintiff David C. Dewar ("Dewar") is a married man acting for all purposes 6. relevant to this case as a sole and separate individual, and is a citizen and resident of Maricopa County, Arizona.

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- Defendant Mortgages Ltd., ("Mortgages Ltd" or "Debtor") is an Arizona 7. corporation with its principal place of business in Maricopa County, Arizona.
- 8. Defendant Estate of Scott M. Coles ("Coles Estate") is the estate of Scott M. Coles ("Coles"), the recently-deceased former Chief Executive Officer and, on information and belief, the sole shareholder of Mortgages Ltd. Coles was a citizen and resident of Maricopa County.
- Defendant Scott Coles Trust ("Coles Trust") is the trust or trusts in which 9. Coles held a substantial portion of his personal assets. On information and belief, if Coles was not the sole shareholder of Mortgages, Ltd., Coles Trust is the sole shareholder of Mortgages, Ltd. Plaintiff does not currently know the exact name or names of Coles Trust and will identify and disclose the correct identity and seek leave to amend the Complaint, if necessary, when that identity is determined. Scott Coles controlled Coles Trust and used it as his instrumentality and for his personal benefit in connection with the actions, events and circumstances at issue in this case. Coles' actions as alleged herein were performed for and on behalf of Coles Trust. Coles Trust has its principal place of business in Maricopa County.
- Defendant Ashley Coles, was at all times material hereto, the wife of 10. Defendant Ashley Coles is joined for purposes of establishing marital Coles. community liability. Defendant Ashley Coles is a citizen and resident of Maricopa County.
- Defendants ABC Corporations, Trusts and Business Entities Nos. 1-100 11. ("ABC Entities") are corporations, trusts, limited liability companies, partnerships or other business entities whose true identities are presently unknown. On information and belief, Defendant ABC Entities participated in the events giving rise to Plaintiffs' claims and are liable therefore. Plaintiffs will seek leave to amend to identify Defendant ABC Entities specifically when their identities are ascertained.
- Defendants John Does Nos. 1-100 are persons whose true identities are 12. On information and belief, Defendants John Does 1-100 presently unknown.

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participated in the events giving rise to Plaintiffs' claims and are liable therefore. Plaintiffs will seek leave to amend to identify Defendants John Does 1-100 specifically when their identities are ascertained.

## JURISDICTION AND BACKGROUND OF BANKRUPTCY CASE

- 13. On June 20, 2008 ("Petition Date"), Central & Monroe, LLC, Osborn III Partners, LLC, and KGM Builders, Inc. (collectively, "Petitioning Parties") filed an involuntary petition against the Debtor under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. (Dkt. 1).
- 14. On June 23, 2008, the Debtor filed a "Motion To Convert Involuntary Chapter 7 Case To Case Under Chapter 11 Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. §§ 348(a) and 706(a), And To Dismiss As Moot Emergency Motion For Appointment Of Interim Trustee" ("Motion to Convert") asking the Court, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 706(a), to convert the involuntary Chapter 7 case to a voluntary case under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. (Dkt. 18)
- 15. On June 24, 2008, the Court entered its "Order Converting Case To A Case Under Chapter 11 And Setting Continued Hearing On First Day Motions And Emergency Motion To Appoint A Chapter 11 Trustee" converting the involuntary Chapter 7 case to a case under Chapter 11. (Dkt. 36).
- 16. The Debtor continues to operate its business as debtor-in-possession pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§1107 and 1108. As of the date of this Adversary Complaint, no trustees or examiners have been appointed, and no official committee of unsecured creditors has been formed.
- 17. This Court has jurisdiction over this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1334(a) and 157(a). This is a "core" proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §157(b)(2)(A), (B), (K) and (O).
  - 18. Venue in this District is appropriate pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1409(a).

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

19. Plaintiff Tempe Land Company is the owner and developer of a high rise

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residential condominium and mixed use retail development located in Downtown Tempe, Arizona, known as Centerpoint (the ACenterpoint Project@).

- 20. The Centerpoint Project, when all projected phases are completed, will consist of four residential condominium towers up to 30 stories in height containing approximately 800 condominium units, a public plaza, a gourmet grocery, deli and café, a multi-level public parking facility, and a luxurious and sophisticated seventh floor amenity level with a professional demonstration kitchen, a wine lounge, a fitness center. an Aelectronic lounge,@ an in-house spa, concierge services, and a spacious outdoor area that will include a sun deck, swimming pool, spa, an urban beach with sand, and a shaded patio. The Centerpoint Project will be a world class residential and mixed use development unlike anything previously developed in the State of Arizona.
- 21. Defendant Mortgages Ltd., is a private capital commercial real estate financing company which holds itself out as the largest private lender in Arizona. Mortgages Ltd. is engaged in the business of financing commercial real estate development projects.
- 22. On or about March 21, 2007, Mortgages Ltd. issued its loan commitment to Tempe Land Co. in the designated loan amount of \$150,200,000.00 for use in Tempe Land Co.=s ongoing development of the Centerpoint Project. In connection with the loan commitment, Mortgages Ltd., and Tempe Land Co. entered into a Construction Loan Agreement dated March 20, 2007 and Tempe Land Co. executed and delivered to Mortgages Ltd. a Promissory Note dated March 20, 2007 in the designated loan amount of \$150,200,000.00, together with a Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents and Leases, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing pertaining to the Centerpoint Project and other related loan documentation. The obligations of the parties reflected in the March, 2007 Ioan commitment, Construction Loan Agreement, Promissory Note, Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents and Leases, Security Agreement Fixture Filing and associated loan documents are collectively referred to as the AFirst Loan Agreement.@
  - The First Loan Agreement documentation was prepared on Mortgages 23.

Ltd.=s standard forms and included provisions purporting to establish certain potential conditions on the advance of funds beyond the amount of what was called the Alnitial Funding@ amount of \$130,200,000.00. Notwithstanding these purported conditions, the parties always understood and Defendants always promised that the loan would be fully and timely funded to the full "Designated Loan Amount" of \$150,200,000.00, provided that Tempe Land Co. was not in default. The parties knew and understood that the completion and success of the project was dependent on the full \$150,200,000 being funded, and certain loan fees exceeding \$10 million were computed based on the advance of the full \$150,200,000 and paid for by Tempe Land Co. at loan origination.

- 24. In connection with the First Loan Agreement, and the promises Defendants made to make all advances thereunder, totaling \$150,200,000, Plaintiffs Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar executed and delivered to Defendant Mortgages Ltd. certain loan guaranties dated March 19, 2007 (the "Guaranties").
- 25. The sole consideration given by Mortgages Ltd., for the First Loan Agreement and Guaranties was Mortgages Ltd.'s promise to provide \$150,200,000.00 in development and construction funding for the Centerpoint Project.
- 26. The First Loan Agreement represented the principal source of funding for Tempe Land Co.'s development and construction of the first two phases of the Centerpoint Project. Such construction and development was a stated use of the proceeds of the First Loan Agreement and the documents executed in connection with the First Loan Agreement included numerous provisions requiring and restricting the use of the First Loan Agreement Proceeds to the Centerpoint Project.
- 27. At the time the parties entered into the First Loan Agreement and Guaranties, all parties, including Defendant Mortgages Ltd., knew that the completion and success of the Centerpoint Project was dependent on Mortgages, Ltd.=s full and timely provision of \$150,200,000.00 in loan funds under the provisions of the First Loan Agreement.
  - 28. After execution of the loan documents and Guaranties related to the First

Loan Agreement, Tempe Land Co. proceeded with development and construction at the Centerpoint Project, and Mortgages Ltd. began disbursing loan funds under the First Loan Agreement.

- 29. Construction, development and marketing of the Centerpoint Project initially was very successful. To date, Tempe Land Company has procured some \$24 million in pre-sale commitments for condominium units, even though the first phases of the project are not yet complete.
- Defendant Mortgages Ltd. began defaulting on its obligations to provide 30. loan funds under the First Loan Agreement in and after December, 2007. Mortgages Ltd. funded loan draws materially late, and failed to fund loan draws in full. Ultimately, it ceased providing loan funds entirely. Scott Coles openly and repeatedly acknowledged Mortgages Ltd.=s default on the First Loan Agreement, and on information and belief, did so in the presence of third parties.
- Upon Mortgages Ltd.=s default in and after December, 2007, Tempe Land 31. Co. began incurring significant actual, incidental and consequential damages, including, but not limited to, delays in construction progress on the Centerpoint Project, impaired relations with subcontractors with whom Tempe Land Co. had established strong relationships, adverse project publicity, increased costs and lost profits.
- 32. Tempe Land Company made a diligent search for alternative financing and had several potential lenders who were interested in providing replacement financing provided that Mortgages Ltd. agreed to subordinate its loan position to the new financing. Mortgages Ltd. expressed a willingness to subordinate its position in favor of the replacement financing necessary to keep the project alive and funded, and Mortgages Ltd.'s CEO Scott Coles even went to Toronto to meet with a private capital firm called Tricon to help negotiate the details of first position replacement financing.
- On information and belief, Defendant Coles Trust and/or Coles personally 33. and Coles' marital community were substantial investors in the First Loan Agreement. During the negotiations and discussions between Coles and Plaintiffs that followed

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Mortgages Ltd.'s default, Coles was acting for and on behalf of the interests of both Mortgages Ltd. and Coles Trust, as well as himself and his marital community in an effort to protect and advance the pecuniary interests of both Mortgages Ltd., Coles Trust and his personal and marital community interests.

- 34. After several weeks of defaults by Mortgages Ltd. and numerous meetings between Tempe Land Co. and Mortgages Ltd. personnel, including meetings with third parties such as Tricon who were willing to provide replacement financing to Tempe Land Co., Coles, and Mortgages Ltd. reversed course on their stated willingness to subordinate Mortgages Ltd.=s position to new third party financing and instead insisted on Mortgages Ltd. financing the needed capital itself by bringing Coles= and Mortgages, Ltd.=s own investor capital into a preferred lending position to which Mortgages Ltd.=s original First Loan Agreement position would be, in effect, subordinated. This mechanism involved breaking the First Loan Agreement into what Coles and Mortgages Ltd. called two separate Atranches@ including a new first Atranche@ in the amount of \$45,000,000 to be funded by additional Mortgages Ltd. investors. This new first Atranche@ would provide funding in addition to the funding required by the First Loan Agreement. In addition, Coles confirmed that the amount of the \$150,000,000 that was unfunded under the First Loan Agreement would continue to accrue to pay interest on the First Loan Obligation up to the \$150,000,000 funding commitment on the First Loan Agreement.
- 35. On information and belief, Coles and Mortgages Ltd. decided not to subordinate Mortgages Ltd.=s First Loan Agreement position to third party financing because Coles, Coles Trust and Mortgages Ltd. wanted the benefit of a secured position ahead of the Mortgages Ltd. Loan which, given the amount of equity in the project, was a highly desirable and advantageous position that Coles, Coles Trust and Mortgages Ltd. preferred to keep for themselves instead of having it go to a new third party lender.
  - On information and belief, Coles and/or Coles Trust also had participating

interests in the First Loan Agreement which was to become the second Atranche@ of financing under the two tranche arrangement. Coles, Coles Trust and Mortgages Ltd. all preferred having the second subordinated Atranche@ behind a first Atranche@ creditor they controlled instead of being subject to the independent motivation, judgment and control of a senior position third party creditor.

- 37. Under the new two Atranche@ arrangement Mortgages Ltd. would fund \$45 million of new loan capital on the new first Atranche@ note and would continue to fund \$1 million per week under the First Loan Agreement which was now the second Atranche@.
- 38. In connection with Mortgages Ltd.=s promise to provide \$45,000,000 in project funding under the new first funding Atranche®, Mortgages Ltd. and Tempe Land Co. entered into a Construction Loan Agreement dated March 26, 2008, and a First Modification to Deed of Trust dated March 26, 2008. In addition, Tempe Land Co. executed and delivered to Mortgages Ltd. a Promissory Note dated March 26, 2008 in the designated loan amount of \$45,000,000.00. The obligations of the parties reflected in the March 26, 2008 Construction Loan Agreement, March 26, 2008 First Modification to Deed of Trust and March 26, 2008 Promissory Note are collectively referred to as the ASecond Loan Agreement.®
- 39. The Second Loan Agreement documentation was prepared on Mortgages Ltd.=s standard forms and included provisions purporting to establish certain potential conditions on the advance of funds beyond the amount of what was called the Alnitial Funding@ amount of \$35,000,000 and what was called the ADesignated Loan Amount@ of \$45,000,000. Notwithstanding these purported conditions, the parties always understood and Defendants always promised that the loan would be fully and timely funded to the full ADesignated Loan Amount@ of \$45,000,000, provided that Tempe Land Co. was not in default. The parties knew and understood that the completion and success of the project, particularly following Mortgages Ltd.=s default on the First Loan Agreement, was dependent on the full \$45,000,000 being fully funded, and that Tempe

Land Co. was exercising forbearance on pursuing its rights on the First Loan Agreement default and had ceased pursuing other funding opportunities in reliance on Mortgages Ltd.=s and Coles= promise that the full \$45,000,000 would be fully and timely funded. Indeed, the parties negotiated for a conditional waiver and release of Tempe Land Co.=s claims that was to be effective only if among other conditions, Mortgages Ltd. fully and timely advanced the \$45 million called for in the Second Loan Agreement. The conditional release was also conditioned on Mortgages Ltd.=s continuing to fund \$15 million per week under the First Loan Agreement.

- 40. In connection with the Second Loan Agreement, and the promises Defendants made under it, Plaintiffs Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar executed and delivered to Defendant Mortgages Ltd. certain loan guaranties dated March 26, 2008 (the Additional Guaranties).
- 41. Tempe Land Co. paid or incurred approximately \$10 million in loan fees to Mortgages Ltd. in connection with the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 42. Mortgages Ltd.=s full and timely provision of funding under the new two Atranche® mechanism established under the Second Loan Agreement, which Mortgages Ltd. had devised in its attempt to remedy its material breaches under the First Loan Agreement, was essential to the completion and success of the Centerpoint Project following Mortgages Ltd.=s earlier defaults.
- 43. At the time the parties executed the documentation related to the Second Loan Agreement and Additional Guaranties, all parties, including Defendant Mortgages Ltd. knew that the completion and success of the Centerpoint Project was dependent on Mortgages Ltd.=s full and timely provision of loan funds in accordance with the provisions of the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 44. The sole and only consideration Mortgages Ltd. gave for the Second Loan Agreement and the Additional Guaranties was Mortgages Ltd.=s promise to provide the required development and construction funding for the project.

- 45. Mortgages Ltd. made some initial advances under the Second Loan Agreement, but again defaulted under the First and Second Loan Agreements by failing to fund construction draws and further advances Mortgages Ltd. was required to make under the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 46. On information and belief, Mortgages Ltd. has become insolvent or lacks the liquidity and access to cash resources necessary to meet its financing obligations to Centerpoint as well as to other borrowers to whom Mortgages Ltd. has failed to provide contractually required loan funds.
- 47. The Centerpoint Project cannot be completed without replacement financing for the lost funds Mortgages Ltd. committed to fund, but failed to fund.
- 48. This action arises under contract, and all Plaintiffs are entitled to an award of their attorneys= fees, taxable costs and litigation expenses, including expert witness fees under the terms of the parties= written agreements and pursuant to A.R.S. '12-341.01.
- 49. All conditions precedent to Defendants= liability and Plaintiffs= right to relief as prayed for herein have been performed or have occurred.

# **COUNT ONE**

# (Declaratory Judgment - Invalidation of First and Second Loan Agreements B Tempe Land Company)

- 50. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 51. Tempe Land Company executed the Promissory Notes, Deeds of Trust and other loan documents in consideration of Mortgages Ltd.=s promises to advance loan funds under the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 52. There has been a failure of consideration for the Promissory Notes, Deeds of Trust and other documents Tempe Land Company executed in connection with the First and Second Loan Agreements because Mortgages Ltd. breached its funding obligations under the First and Second Loan Agreements.

- 53. In addition, Mortgages Ltd. committed a prior material breach of contract by failing to provide loan funds as required by the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 54. On information and belief, Mortgages Ltd. contends that the First and Second Loan Agreements are in full force and effect, notwithstanding Mortgages Ltd.=s prior material breach and the failure of consideration for the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 55. Plaintiff Tempe Land Company is entitled to a declaratory judgment establishing that its obligations, including the obligations to pay principal and interest, under the Promissory Notes, Deeds of Trust and other loan documents associated with the First and Second Loan Agreements are excused and discharged in whole or in part due to failure of consideration, Mortgages Ltd.=s prior material breach of its contractual obligations, and the material misrepresentations and omissions detailed in Count Four below.

### **COUNT TWO**

# (Breach of Loan Agreements - Tempe Land Company)

- 56. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 57. By failing to timely and fully provide loan funds that it was contractually obligated to advance under the First and Second Loan Agreements, Mortgages Ltd. has materially breached its contractual obligations to Plaintiff Tempe Land Company.
- 58. Mortgages Ltd.=s breach of its contractual obligations to Tempe Land Company has caused Tempe Land Company to suffer direct, indirect, actual, incidental and consequential damages, including lost profits and increased project costs and expenses. These damages are continuing to accrue and increase and include, but are not limited to:
  - \$ damages for delay in completion of the project;
  - \$ damages for expenses incurred in seeking replacement financing and for the increased cost of replacement financing;

- s lost profits due to increased costs, delayed receipt of revenues and potentially lost or renegotiated condominium unit sales;
- \$ damages caused by changing market conditions;
- \$ damages caused by impaired market place perception and decreased pricing leverage due to being viewed as a financially troubled project.
- 59. Tempe Land Company is entitled to recover its damages according to proof against Mortgages Ltd.

# **COUNT THREE**

# (Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing)

- 60. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 61. There is an implied contractual covenant of good faith and fair dealing in every contract, including the contractual obligations documented in the First Loan Agreement, the Second Loan Agreement, the Guaranties and the additional Guaranties. The implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing not only prohibits each contracting party from doing anything to prevent the other parties to the contract from receiving the benefits and entitlements of the contract but also imposes the duty of good faith performance of the contract. Good faith performance of a contract emphasizes faithfulness to an agreement=s common purpose and consistency with the justified expectations of the other parties.
- 62. In this case, the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing required Mortgages Ltd. to fully and timely advance the \$150,200,000 Designated Loan Amount set forth in the First Loan Agreement and to fully and timely advance the \$45,000,000 Designated Loan Amount set forth in the Second Loan Agreement.
- 63. Mortgages Ltd. breached the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing by failing to fully and timely advance the \$150,200,000 Designated Loan Amount set forth in the First Loan Agreement and by failing to fully and timely advance

the \$45,000,000 Designated Loan Amount set forth in the Second Loan Agreement.

- 64. Tempe Land Co. has been damaged as alleged herein by Mortgages Ltd.=s failure to fully and timely advance funds under the First and Second Loan Agreements, and Tempe Land Co. is entitled to recover its damages according to proof caused by Mortgages Ltd.=s breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.
- 65. Mortgages Ltd.=s breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing is a prior material breach which excuses and discharges Tempe Land Co.=s remaining performance obligations under the First Loan Agreement and the Second Loan Agreement.
- 66. Mortgage Ltd.=s breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing is a prior material breach which excuses, discharges and voids all obligations of Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar under the Guaranties and the Additional Guaranties.

# **COUNT FOUR**

# (Misrepresentations/Omissions/Scheme or Artifice to Defraud)

- 67. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 68. Instead of fulfilling Mortgages Ltd.=s commitment to subordinate its position to new third party financing, Coles, Coles Trust and Mortgages Ltd. (all of which were solely owned and controlled by Coles) determined that it was in their joint interest, and furthered their desire for financial gain, to induce Tempe Land Company to enter into the two Atranche@ arrangement established by the Second Loan Agreement.
- 69. To induce Plaintiffs to enter into the Second Loan Agreement rather than:
  (a) pursuing remedies then available to them for default under the First Loan Agreement, or (b) insisting on subordination to third party financing, Coles, Coles Trust and Mortgages Ltd. knowingly, or alternatively recklessly or negligently misrepresented to Plaintiffs the following material facts which were in fact untrue at the time:

- \$ That Mortgages Ltd. had the present financial ability to perform under the First and Second Loan Agreements; and
- That Coles and Coles Trust had the present financial ability using their own assets to provide to Mortgages Ltd. the financing necessary for Mortgages Ltd. to perform its funding obligations under the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 70. The misrepresentations as to the present financial ability of Mortgages Ltd., Coles and Coles Trust to perform the funding obligations under the First and Second Loan Agreements were knowingly or negligently made or made without actual knowledge of their truth or falsity and in reckless disregard of the truth.
- 71. In addition, Defendants omitted to advise Plaintiffs of the following known material facts which should have been disclosed in order to avoid making defendants= representations that were actually made not misleading:
  - That Mortgages Ltd., Coles and Coles Trust were experiencing a
     major liquidity crisis, and were unable to fund commitments to
     numerous other borrowers;
  - S That Mortgages Ltd.=s usual and typical funding sources for its loan obligations were tapped out, dried up or unwilling to risk additional capital with Mortgages Ltd.;
  - That Mortgages Ltd. had sought and was seeking capital from multiple sources who had all recently declined to provide capital to Defendants due to Defendants= precarious financial position.

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Defendants had a duty to disclose all of these known material facts to Plaintiffs and they knowingly, recklessly or negligently failed to do so.

72. Defendants knowingly made the misrepresentations and omissions to obtain the benefit of Plaintiffs= consenting and entering into the Second Loan Agreement and Additional Guaranties, instead of Plaintiffs immediately pursuing their remedies for Defendants= default and seeking available third party financing to which

Defendants= position would be subordinated. Defendants= conduct constitutes a scheme or artifice to defraud under A.R.S. '13-2310 as well as actionable negligent misrepresentation and negligent omission of material facts. Plaintiff Tempe Land Company is entitled to recover its damages according to proof caused by Defendants= misrepresentations and omissions. 75. Plaintiffs Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar are entitled to the invalidation of the Guaranties and Additional Guaranties on the basis of Defendants= misrepresentations and omissions. **COUNT FIVE** (Usury (A.R.S. '44-1202) B Tempe Land Company) The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by 76. reference. Under the First Loan Agreement, Mortgages Ltd. charged Tempe Land 77. Co., and Tempe Land Co. paid Mortgages Ltd., the following up-front loan fees (the ALoan Fees@) on closing of the First Loan Agreement. A loan fee called a Adiscount amount@ which is also commonly Α. called Apoints@ in the amount of \$7,161,000.00; A loan fee called a ARev op@ fee in the amount of \$1,302,000.00; В. C. A loan fee called a Aprocessing fee@ in the amount of \$651,000; A loan fee called a Aconstruction administration fee@ in the amount D. of \$840,000.00; and Certain other smaller fees and charges bringing the total amount of E. loan fees paid up front to approximately \$10,000,000. 78. The \$10,000,000 in up front loan fees constitutes interest under A.R.S. 144-1201 which limits interest charged on a loan to the rate of interest the parties agreed would be paid. The effective rate of interest, or APR (annual percentage rate) the parties 79.

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agreed to was 17.82% computed on the basis of the entire \$10,000,000 in loan fees being included in the entire amount Mortgages Ltd. agreed to advance.

- 80. Because Mortgages Ltd. Failed to advance all funds it agreed to advance, the actual rate of interest Mortgages Ltd. charged Tempe Land Co. exceeded the agreed upon 17.82% effective rate of interest.
- 81. A.R.S. '44-1202 provides that if a lender charges a borrower a rate of interest exceeding the rate of interest agreed to, that all interest paid by the borrower to the lender is forfeited.
- 82. Under A.R.S. '44-1202, Mortgages Ltd. must forfeit, and Tempe Land Co. is entitled to recover (1) the entire approximately \$10,000,000 of loan fees paid up front; and (2) all interest paid by Tempe Land Co. or accrued against the loan by Mortgages Ltd.

## **COUNT SIX**

# (Unjust Enrichment B Restitution of Loan Fees B Tempe Land Co.)

- 83. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 84. The acquisition of up-front loan fees as well as interest paid or accrued was wrongful due to Mortgages Ltd.=s defaults, misrepresentations and omissions, and violation of A.R.S. '44-1202.
- 85. Mortgages Ltd. wrongfully obtained excess consideration, and consequent unjust enrichment for its loan for all of the reasons stated above.
- 86. Tempe Land Co. is entitled to restitution in an amount equal to Mortgages Ltd.=s unjust enrichment, in an amount to be determined at trial.

#### **COUNT SEVEN**

# (Promissory Estoppel)

- 87. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
  - 88. Mortgages Ltd. promised all Plaintiffs that it would fully and timely fund the

full Designated Loan Amounts of \$150,200,000 under the First Loan Agreement and \$45,000,000 under the Second Loan Agreement.

- 89. Defendant knowingly and purposefully induced Plaintiffs= reliance on their promises to fully and timely fund Mortgages Ltd.=s obligations under the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 90. In rightful reliance on Defendants= promises Plaintiffs (1) entered into the First and Second Loan Agreements, the Guaranties and the Additional Guaranties; did not pursue other available avenues of funding; made numerous commitments related to their commencement of construction of the Centerpoint Project and paid approximately \$10 million of up-front loan fees to Mortgages Ltd.
- 91. Defendants breached their promises to fully and timely advance funds under the First and Second Loan Agreements, and Plaintiffs suffered detrimental reliance which entitles them to appropriate remedies for promissory estoppel including damages according to proof and judicial relief invalidating the Guaranties, the Additional Guaranties and all remaining performance obligations under the First and Second Loan Agreements.

#### **COUNT EIGHT**

# (Declaratory Judgment - Invalidation of Guaranties and Additional Guaranties - Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar)

- 92. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 93. Plaintiffs Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar gave their guaranties in consideration of Mortgages Ltd=s promises to advance loan funds under the First Loan Agreement and the Second Loan Agreement.
- 94. There has been a failure of consideration for the Guaranties because Mortgages Ltd. breached its funding obligations under the First and Second Loan Agreements.

- 95. In addition, Mortgages Ltd. committed a prior material breach of contract by failing to provide loan funds as required by the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 96. In addition, the Guaranties and Additional Guaranties are voidable due to Defendants= material misrepresentations and omissions as alleged in Count Three above.
- 97. On information and belief, Mortgages Ltd. contends that the Guaranties and Additional Guaranties are in full force and effect, notwithstanding Mortgages Ltd.=s prior material breach, the failure of consideration for those guaranties, and Defendants= material misrepresentations and omissions.
- 98. Plaintiffs Kingston Capital, Graystar Investments, Losch and Dewar are entitled to a declaratory judgment establishing that all the Guaranties and Additional Guaranties are void, discharged, and of no further force and effect due to failure of consideration, Mortgages Ltd.=s prior material breach of its contractual obligations, and Defendants= material misrepresentations and omissions.

# **COUNT NINE**

# (Pattern of Unlawful Conduct B Civil Remedy Under Arizona Racketeering Act, A.R.S. '13-2401 et. seq.)

- 99. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- 100. On information and belief, the allegations in the following pleadings filed in other actions (AOther Lawsuit Claims@) are substantially true in substance and in fact.
  - A. Complaint in Rightpath Limited Development Group, LLC, et al. v.
     Mortgages Ltd., et al., No. CV2008-011878, Maricopa County,
     Arizona, Superior Court;
  - B. Complaint in Central Phx Partners, LLC, et al. v. Mortgages Ltd.,No. CV2008-006907, Maricopa County, Arizona, Superior Court;
  - C. Answer in Mortgages Ltd. v. Windes, et al., No. CV2004-008371,Maricopa County, Arizona, Superior Court;

- D. Answer and Counterclaim in Mortgages Ltd. v. Hospitality Plus,
   LLC, et al., No. CV99-06188, Maricopa County, Arizona, Superior
   Court;
- E. Third Amended Complaint in Covenant Christian Center, International, Inc. v. Mortgages Ltd., et al., pending as adversary proceeding No. 2: 07-AP-00055-CGC in In Re Covenant Christian Center, International, Inc., No. 2:06-bk-02386-CGC, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Arizona.
- 101. On information and belief, based on the Other Lawsuit Claims, Mortgages Ltd., Coles and Coles Trust constitute an enterprise as defined by A.R.S. '13-2301.D.2. Said enterprise is and was controlled by Mortgages Ltd., Coles and Coles Trust.
- 102. For purposes of financial gain, Defendants procured benefits through a pattern of unlawful activity chargeable or indictable under the laws of the State of Arizona and punishable under those laws by imprisonment for more than one year involving (a) a scheme or artifice to defraud and (b) usury.
- 103. On information and belief, based on the Other Lawsuit Claims, that pattern of unlawful activity included (1) knowingly making misrepresentations or omissions of material fact regarding Mortgages Ltd.=s ability to fully and timely fund loans at time when it knew it could not do so in order to induce borrowers to enter into lending transactions and relationships with Mortgages Ltd. under which they paid Mortgages Ltd. large loan fees and provided Defendants other gains and benefits; and (2) unlawfully entering into usurious loan transactions.
- 104. On information and belief and based on the Other Lawsuit Claims, the pattern of unlawful activity included two or more continuous and related wrongful acts, the last of which occurred within five years of a prior unlawful act that constitutes part of the pattern of unlawful conduct.
  - 105. Plaintiffs have suffered reasonably foreseeable injury to their business and

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property caused by the pattern of unlawful activity.

- 106. Plaintiffs are entitled to pursue their statutory remedies under A.R.S. 113-2314.04.A including recovery of up to treble damages costs, attorneys= fees and litigation expenses, including expert witness fees.
- 107. Pursuant to A.R.S. '13-2314.04.H. Plaintiffs hereby give notice to the Arizona Attorney General of the pendency of this claim.

## **COUNT TEN**

# (Preliminary and Permanent Injunctive Relief B All Plaintiffs)

- 108. The allegations of the preceding paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
- Mortgages Ltd.=s prior material breaches have excused Tempe Land Company=s ongoing obligation to make payments due under the Promissory Notes given in connection with the First and Second Loan Agreements.
- 110. On information and belief, Mortgages Ltd. or its successors or assignees may attempt to take collection or enforcement action against Tempe Land Company, the Deed of Trust and First Modification to Deed of Trust executed in connection with the First and Second Loan Agreements, or against the Guaranties and Additional Guaranties.
- 111. Plaintiffs, and each of them, will suffer irreparable harm if Mortgages Ltd. or its successors or assigns attempt to take collection or enforcement action against Tempe Land Company, the Deed of Trust, the First Modification to Deed of Trust, the Guaranties or the Additional Guaranties.
- 112. Plaintiffs are entitled to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief enjoining and restraining Mortgages Ltd., its successors and assigns, and all persons in active concert with them from:
  - Attempting to exercise any power of sale or attempting to proceed Α. with judicial foreclosure of the Deed of Trust or First Modification to

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