STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION 22 CVS 178

SWAIN COUNTY

THOMAS M. ANDERSON, PERRY POLSINELLI, RICHARD F. HUNTER, ANDREW JUBY, THOMAS T. SCHREIBER, and FRED R. YATES, in the right of the Mystic Lands Property Owners Association, Inc., a North Carolina Non-Profit Corporation,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MICHAEL BERESNI; LOUIS JOHN BROWN; KEVIN BURKE; RAMON (RAY) DE LA CABADA; SCOTT LYDEN; JIM MOORE; ROBERT WUNDERLE; GREG GILROY; RANDY MILLS; AMI SHINITZKY; and the MYSTIC LANDS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a nominal party,

Defendants.

ORDER

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on its own motion.

- 1. In the brief (ECF No. 27) submitted by Defendants Michael Beresni, John Brown, Kevin Burke, Ray De La Cabada, Scott Lyden, Jim Moore, and Robert Wunderle ("Defendants") in support of their Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 26), Defendants attempt to incorporate by reference arguments previously made by them in their brief in opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction. (ECF No. 27, p. 4.)
- 2. North Carolina Business Court Rule 7.8 states, in pertinent part, as follows:

A party may not incorporate by reference arguments made in another brief or file multiple motions to circumvent these limits.

BCR 7.8.

3. The Court therefore ORDERS that Defendants' brief be STRICKEN.

Defendants are directed to file an amended brief in support of their Motion to Dismiss

within ten (10) days of this Order.1

4. In addition, the Court DIRECTS all parties submitting briefs both in

support of and in opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss to include therein a

discussion of whether a nominal defendant in a derivative action is legally permitted

to assert a crossclaim (as Mystic Lands Property Owners Association, Inc. has

attempted to do in the present case).

SO ORDERED, this the 25th day of October, 2022.

/s/ Mark A. Davis

Mark A. Davis

Special Superior Court Judge for

Complex Business Cases

¹ The deadline for Plaintiffs to file a responsive brief shall not begin to accrue until the date on which the amended brief is filed by Defendants.