# SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ORANGE

CASE NO.: 30-2024-01410991-CL-UD-CJC

**PLAINTIFF:** Phat Tran

**DEFENDANT: Michael Gasio** 

TO: The Honorable Judge Snuggs-Spraggins, Carmen D. (Comm.)

FROM: Michael Gasio, Defendant (Pro Se)

DATE: February 10, 2025

RE: MOTION TO PREVENT ASSET CONCEALMENT & FRAUDULENT

**TRANSFERS** 

### I. INTRODUCTION

- Defendant Michael Gasio, appearing pro se, respectfully submits this Motion to Prevent Asset Concealment & Fraudulent Transfers due to Plaintiff Phat Tran's recent and ongoing actions to dispose of real estate assets to evade legal accountability.
- 2. Based on **public records, financial transactions, and investigative findings**, it is clear that **Plaintiff is actively transferring, concealing, or liquidating assets** in bad faith to avoid paying damages or complying with legal obligations in this case.

## **II. FACTUAL BASIS FOR MOTION**

- 3. Plaintiff owns or has previously owned multiple real estate properties, valued at over \$12 million, which are now being transferred to third parties or disguised under new ownership structures.
- 4. Specifically, records indicate:
  - 2002 Sand Dune, Huntington Beach was previously linked to Plaintiff but has recently changed ownership under questionable circumstances.

- 20012 Sand Dune, Huntington Beach was transferred to an individual approximately 24 years old, raising concerns of fraudulent asset shielding.
- A separate property, formerly listed under Anna Lynn, has been converted into a rental generating \$8,500 per month, yet remains linked to Plaintiff's financial interests.
- 5. Plaintiff's sudden **real estate transactions and asset restructuring** are clear indicators of **an attempt to evade a future judgment**.

## III. LEGAL BASIS TO HALT ASSET TRANSFER

#### A. FRAUDULENT TRANSFER UNDER CALIFORNIA LAW

- 6. California Civil Code § 3439.04(a) prohibits transfers made with intent to hinder, delay, or defraud creditors or legal judgments.
- 7. Plaintiff's actions meet multiple criteria for fraudulent conveyance, including:
  - Transferring property to a relative or insider (e.g., a daughter or young associate).
  - Failing to disclose the transfer in court proceedings.
  - Retaining control or financial benefit from transferred assets.
- 8. Defendant seeks immediate intervention to prevent further fraudulent transfers that could hinder the enforcement of any final judgment.

#### B. COURT'S POWER TO PRESERVE ASSETS PENDING LITIGATION

- California Code of Civil Procedure § 527 allows courts to issue restraining orders or preliminary injunctions to prevent fraudulent dissipation of assets during ongoing litigation.
- 10. The Court has the authority to halt further sales, transfers, or concealment of assets until all claims in this case are resolved.

## IV. RELIEF REQUESTED

- 11. Defendant **respectfully requests** the following court orders:
- Immediate injunction preventing Plaintiff from transferring, selling, or hiding any real estate assets.
- Mandatory disclosure of all financial records, deeds, or ownership changes related to Plaintiff's real estate portfolio.
- Appointment of a third-party financial examiner to monitor Plaintiff's financial transactions and asset holdings.

## V. CONCLUSION

- 12. Plaintiff's active concealment of assets undermines judicial integrity and fair trial proceedings.
- 13. Defendant seeks only to **preserve legal remedies and ensure a just outcome** in this case.
- 14. For these reasons, Defendant respectfully asks the Court to issue an order halting asset transfers immediately.

## Respectfully submitted,

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