IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 18-CA-005749

Plaintiff,
v.
SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC.
Defendant.

NOTICE OF FILING NOTICE OF REMOVAL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Defendant, Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. ("SPS"), has this day filed a Notice of Removal of this action with the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441, and 1446. A true and correct copy of the Notice of Removal is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), SPS respectfully requests that this Court proceed no further in this case unless and until this action is remanded.

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Servicing, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Notice of Filing Notice of Removal was filed on July 11, 2018, using the Court's Florida E-filing Portal system and that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on the following parties:

Amy E. Cuykendall, Esq. Benjamin Hillard, Esq. Alexander R. Allred, Esq. Castle Law Group, P.A. 13143 66th Street North Largo, FL 33733 eservicecastle@gmail.com

/s/Joseph T. Kohn

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

CONSTANCE DANIELS,		
Plaintiff,		
v.	CASE NO	
SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC.,		
Defendant.		

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

The Defendant, Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. ("SPS"), hereby removes this action from the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County, Florida, in accord with 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441 and 1446, based on this Court's diversity jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332. In support of removal, SPS respectfully states as follows:

- 1. On June 14, 2018, the Plaintiff, Constance Daniels (the "Plaintiff"), sued SPS in Circuit Court, Civil Division, in and for Hillsborough County, Florida, in the action captioned Constance Daniels v. Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., and designated as Case Number 18-CA-005749 (the "State Court Action").
- 2. Removal under Section 1441 is proper because this division encompasses Hillsborough County, Florida, and because this Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332. Section 1332 provides original jurisdiction over an action between citizens of different states and in which the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000.00, exclusive of interest and costs.
- 3. The amount in controversy in this action exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, because, among other reasons, Plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$80,000. In particular, the Complaint alleges that SPS improperly "increased the principal balance by more

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than \$80,000." (Compl. ¶ 11; id. ¶¶ 14, 21, 24 (alleging that Plaintiff "has suffered damages ... by being expected to pay an additional \$80,000 in principal") 28, 40; see also id. ¶¶ 34 (seeking an award of treble damages)). Thus, the amount in controversy meets the jurisdictional minimum.

- 4. Complete diversity exists because the parties are citizens of different states. The Plaintiff is an individual residing in Florida. (Compl. ¶ 1). SPS is the only defendant in this action. SPS is a corporation organized and existing pursuant to the laws of the State of Utah with its principal place of business in Utah. See Declaration of Debra Topping in Support of Defendant's Notice of Removal, attached hereto as Exhibit A. Therefore SPS is a citizen of Utah for purposes of diversity jurisdiction. See 28 U.S.C. § 1332 (providing that "a corporation shall be deemed to be a citizen of every State and foreign state by which it has been incorporated and of the State or foreign state where it has its principal place of business").
- 5. This Notice of Removal is timely because it is filed within thirty days of SPS receiving service of the Complaint in the State Court Action. See 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b). SPS received service of the Complaint and Summons in the State Court Action on June 20, 2018. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a), a true and legible copy of all process and pleadings served in the State Court Action are attached to this notice as Composite Exhibit B.
- 6. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1446(d), SPS served a copy of this notice on each adverse party and filed a copy of this notice with the State court.
- 7. By filing this notice of removal, SPS waives no defense to dismissal of this action or challenge to the sufficiency of service of process.

WHEREFORE, Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., hereby removes this action to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division.

Dated this 9th day of July, 2018.

QUARLES & BRADY LLP

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing was filed on July 9, 2018, using the CM/ECF Portal system and that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on the following parties:

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CASE NO. 18-CA-005749

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DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT'S NOTICE OF REMOVAL

- 1. My name is Debra Topping. I am over eighteen years of age, and am competent to testify herein. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated in this Declaration.
- 2. I am a paralegal with the law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP, which represents Defendant Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. ("SPS") in the above-titled matter.
- 3. Attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** is the Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Inquiry stating that SPS is a foreign entity whose domicile is in Utah. The document is available at: http://dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/search/.
- 4. Attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** is the Utah Division of Corporations Business Search result showing that SPS is a Utah domestic corporation whose state of origin is Utah. The document is available at https://secure.utah.gov/bes/.
- 5. The above documents demonstrate that SPS's principal place of business is not located in Florida.
- 6. I declare this under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Dated this 9th day of July, 2018.

Debra Topping

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Debra Topping as Paralegal of Quarles & Brady LLP, X who is personally known to me OR produced as identification, and, who after being duly sworn, deposes and says that (s)he has read the foregoing Declaration, and (s)he duly acknowledges and swears or affirms before me that said Declaration is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 9th day of July, 2018.

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MY COMMISSION # GG 015360
EXPIRES: August 20, 2020
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Address Changed: 05/20/1998

Officer/Director Detail

Name & Address

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

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TO: SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC. C/O CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY 1201 HAYS STREET TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301

SUMMONS IMPORTANT

A lawsuit has been filed against you. You have 20 calendar days after this summons is served on you to file a written response to the attached complaint with the clerk of this court. A phone call will not protect you. Your written response including the case number given above and the names of the parties, must be filed if you want the court to hear your side of the case. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money, and property may thereafter be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service or a legal aid office (listed in the phone book).

If you choose to file a written response yourself, at the same time you file your written response to the court you must also mail or take a copy of your written response to the "Plaintiff' Attorney" named below.

Benjamin Hillard, Esq. CASTLE LAW GROUP, P.A.

13143 66th Street Largo, Florida 33773

Telephone: (727) 536-8882 Facsimile: (727) 536-7739

THE STATE OF FLORIDA

TO EACH SHERIFF OF THE STATE: You are commanded to serve this summons and a copy of the complaint in this lawsuit on the above-named defendant.

DATED on _	06/18/2018	, 2018.	
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A Plaintiff

Case No: 10-CA-013411

VS.

Division: M

CONSTANCE DANIELS; BLOOMINGDALE HOA INC

Defendant

ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO ENFORCE LOAN MODIFICATION AGREEMENT

THIS CAUSE came before the Court on July 20, 2015 for an evidentiary hearing on Defendant Constance Daniels' Motion to Enforce Loan Modification Agreement, and the Court having heard testimony of the parties and their witnesses, argument of counsel, and being otherwise fully informed in the premises, finds as follows:

- 1. On March 23, 2015 a hearing was held by this Court on Defendant's Motion to Enforce Settlement Agreement or for Summary Judgment. On April 30, 2015 this Court entered an order denying Defendant's motion to enforce the settlement agreement based upon a factual dispute between the parties over whether an enforceable contract exists and, if so, whether there was a breach of said contract by Defendant's failure to make the payments required under the terms of the contract. At the March 23rd hearing, the parties agreed to a resolution of the issue by the Court at an evidentiary hearing to be held on July 20, 2015.
- 2. The Court finds, based upon the evidence presented, that the parties entered into an agreement for modification of the loan agreement, that payments were made by Defendant according to the terms of the modification agreement, and that Defendant is entitled to enforce the contract.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Defendant's Motion to Enforce Loan Modification Agreement is GRANTED.

Done and Ordered in Hillsborough County, Florida this 27th day of December, 2015.

ELECTRONICALLY CONFORMED 12/27/2015

Sandra Taylor, Judge

Copies Furnished To:

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BLOOMINGDALE HOA INC C/O GEORGE MAY IV, RA 3509 BELL SHOALS RD VALRICO, FL 33596

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. ON BEHALF OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS PARK PLACE SECURITIES, INC. ASSETBACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2005-WCW1,

CASE NO: 2010-CA-013411

Plaintiff

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CONSTANCE DANIELS; ET. AL.,

Defendant(s),

ORDER ON DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION AND FOR SANCTIONS, DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DEPOSIT FUNDS IN THE COURT REGISTRY

THIS CAUSE having come before the Court on Defendant's Motion for Clarification and for Sanctions, Defendant's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, and Plaintiff's Motion to Deposit Funds in the Court Registry heard on March 28, 2016, and the Court being otherwise duly advised in the premises, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

- 1. Plaintiff, as a sanction, shall waive interest on the Loan Modification, enforced in this Court's Order dated December 27, 2015, from August 1, 2010 through December 27, 2015.
- 2. Plaintiff, as a sanction, will pay the Defendant's Attorneys' Fees in bringing the Motion to Enforce Loan Modification, filed on November 12, 2014, said amount to be determined at a later date.
- 3. The Defendant shall begin making payments pursuant to the Loan Modification Agreement on April 27, 2016, which will be for the May 1, 2016 payment. The Defendant's new payments will be calculated by Plaintiff pursuant to the interest rates set forth in the Loan Modification Agreement, which were scheduled to change each year. In addition, the interest

due from payments for the period of January 1, 2016 through April 1, 2016 will be added to the end of the Loan Modification Agreement as well as the principal and escrow payments for the period of August 1, 2010 through April 1, 2016.

- 4. The Court reserves as to Defendant's entitlement to Attorneys' Fees
- 5. The Defendant's Motion for Attorneys' Fees shall be reset by the Defendant at such time the Court determines appropriate.

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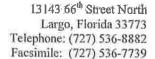
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October 2, 2017

Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. P.O. Box 85250 Salt Lake City, UT 84165-0250

Sent via Regular U.S. Mail

RE: Borrower:

Constance Daniels

Account Number:

Property Address: 3927 Dunaire Drive, Valrico, FL 33596

To Whom It May Concern:

This office represents Ms. Constance Daniels with regards to the above-mentioned property address. Please allow this letter to serve as a written request for a line-by-line breakdown of the deferred balance. Per the Loan Modification Agreement, it does not provide for a deferred balance. Therefore, please provide a line-by-line breakdown and your basis for charging the same.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Castle Law Group, P.A.

Benjamin Hillard, Esquire

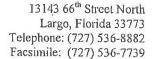
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December 22, 2017

Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. P.O. Box 85250 Salt Lake City, UT 84165-0250 Sent via Fax: 801-801-8011 and Regular U.S. Mail

Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. 3217 S. Decker Lake Dr. Salt Lake City, UT 584165

RE: Borrower:

Constance Daniels

Account Number:

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Property Address:

3927 Dunaire Drive, Valrico, FL 33596

To Whom It May Concern:

This office represents Ms. Constance Daniels with regard to the above-mentioned loan. We previously sent a demand letter dated October 2, 2017 requesting that you provide a line-by-line breakdown of the alleged deferred balance you are carrying on Ms. Daniel's mortgage statements.

As you know, the loan modification does not include a deferred principal balance. A copy of the Loan Modification is attached hereto for your convenience. Therefore, I suggest you either remove the deferred balance from Ms. Daniels' mortgage statements and any demand thereto, or provide a line-by-line breakdown and supporting documentation. If you choose to maintain a demand for a deferred principal balance, and do not provide the line-by-line breakdown and supporting documentation, we shall assume that such deferred principal balance demand amount is without merit and we will file suit accordingly. If we have to file a lawsuit, we will seek attorneys fees based on your lack of providing a suitable response. Please conduct yourselves accordingly.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Castle Law Group, P.A.

Benjamin Hillard, Esquire

cc: Client