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15) Plaintiff,)			
16)	CONSENT DECREE		
17	v.)			
18	CONSOLIDATED RESORTS, INC) CONSOLIDATED REALTY, INC.,)			
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Plaintiff U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") and Defendants Consolidated Resorts, Inc, and Consolidated Realty, Inc. ("Consolidated"), hereby stipulate and agree to entry of this Consent Decree to resolve the EEOC's Complaint in Case No. CV S-06-1104-LDG-GWF, (the "Dawson Complaint") filed under Section 706 of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5; Section 102 of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, 42 U.S.C. § 1981a and to resolve the EEOC's Complaint in Case No. CV S-06-00681-JCM-LRL, (the "Finley Complaint") filed under Section 706 of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of

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1 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5; Section 102 of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, 42 U.S.C. §
2 1981a (collectively known hereafter as "Actions"). The EEOC's Finley Complaint alleges that
3 Consolidated Realty discriminated against Tasha Finley by terminating her because of her sex, in
4 violation of Title VII. The EEOC's Dawson Complaint alleges that Consolidated Resorts
5 discriminated against Erin Dawson, who was sexually harassed during her employment with
6 Consolidated. Consolidated Resorts denies liability in both Actions.
7 The parties enter into this Decree to resolve the Actions and defendant Consolidated's entry

The parties enter into this Decree to resolve the Actions and defendant Consolidated's entry into and performance of the terms and conditions of this Decree is not an admission of liability, any wrongful act, or any violation of law.

I. JURISDICTION

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The Court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this lawsuit, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sections 451, 1331, 1337, 1343, 1345, 1367 and 42 U.S.C. 2000e-5(f). The Court shall retain jurisdiction of this action during the duration of the Decree for the purposes of entering all orders, judgments and decrees which may be necessary to implement and/or enforce the relief provided herein or to otherwise effectuate the purposes of the Decree.

II. PURPOSES AND SCOPE OF THE CONSENT DECREE

- A. The parties to this Consent Decree ("Decree") are the EEOC and Consolidated (collectively the "Parties"). This Decree shall be binding on and enforceable against Consolidated and its officers, directors, agents, successors and assigns.
- B. As a result of having engaged in comprehensive settlement negotiations the Parties have agreed that this action should be finally resolved by entry of this Decree for the following purposes:
 - 1. To avoid expensive and protracted costs incident to litigation;
- 2. To provide a final and binding settlement upon the Parties as to all claims alleged in the Complaint;
 - 3. To provide monetary and injunctive relief;
- 4. To ensure that Consolidated's employment policies and procedures comply with Title VII;

- 5. To ensure training for Consolidated's managerial employees with respect to their obligations under Title VII; and
- 6. To provide effective responses to harassment, retaliation and discrimination complaints.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION OF DECREE

- A. The provisions and agreements contained herein are effective immediately upon the date on which this Decree is entered by the Court ("the Effective Date").
- B. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Decree shall remain in effect for one (1) year after the Effective Date.

IV. FINDINGS

Having examined the terms and provisions of this Decree and based on the pleadings, record and stipulation of the Parties, the Court finds the following:

- A. The Court has jurisdiction over the Parties and the subject matter of these actions. The Complaints assert claims that, if proven, would authorize the Court to grant the relief set forth in this Decree.
- B. The terms and provisions of this Decree are adequate, fair, reasonable, equitable and just. The rights of the Parties and the public interest for which the EEOC seeks redress are protected adequately by this Decree.
- C. This Decree conforms with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Title VII and is not in derogation of the rights and privileges of any person. The entry of this Decree will further the objectives of Title VII and will be in the best interest of the Parties.

V. RESOLUTION OF CLAIMS

- A. The Parties agree that this Decree constitutes a complete resolution of EEOC Charge Nos. 34B-2003-01506, 34BA500019, NERC Charge No. 1006-04-541L; and the Actions. The Decree does not, however, resolve any charges of discrimination that may be pending with or brought in the future before the EEOC other than the charges specifically referred to in this paragraph.
 - B. Nothing in this Decree shall be construed to limit or reduce Consolidated's obligation

to comply fully with Title VII, or any other federal employment statute.

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standard EEOC procedures.

VI. MONETARY RELIEF

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Consolidated shall pay a total of \$ 55,000.00 in settlement of all monetary claims for both Actions. EEOC has the sole discretion to determine the allocation of the monies in both Actions. Upon entry of this Decree, the EEOC shall provide in writing to Consolidated the specific monetary distribution that is to be provided to the Charging Parties and their respective addresses to where the checks should be delivered (the "**Distribution List**").

other charges that may be in existence or may later arise against Consolidated in accordance with

This Decree in no way affects the EEOC's right to bring, process, investigate or litigate

Monetary settlement is for emotional distress allegedly sustained by the Charging Parties as a result of the conduct complained of in the Complaint. Accordingly, no withholdings shall be made from any of the above payments. Defendant shall issue a check and 1099 form to the Charging Parties no later than ten (10) days from the receipt of the Distribution List. Defendant shall submit a copy of each check and related correspondence to the Regional Attorney, United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 255 East Temple Street, 4th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012, within three (3) days of issuing the checks.

Defendant has not made any representations, warranties or guarantees regarding the taxable or non-taxable character of the monies paid in accordance with this Agreement. The Charging Parties shall be solely responsible for the employee's portion of taxes payable, if any, and penalties arising out of payments made pursuant to this Decree, on their respective portion of settlement proceeds reported in the 1099 tax reporting forms.

VII. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

A. <u>Non-Discrimination</u>

Consolidated, its officers, agents, management, successors, assigns, and all those in active concert or participation with any of them, hereby agree not to engage in discrimination in recruitment, hiring, termination, or harassment based upon sex.

B. Anti-Retaliation

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Consolidated, its officers, agents, management, successors, assigns, and all those in active concert or participation with them, or any of them, hereby agree not to retaliate against any current or former employee of Consolidated for: (a) engaging in protected activity under Title VII; (b) participating in any manner in any investigation (including any internal investigation undertaken by Consolidated) or proceeding relating to any alleged Title VII violation; (c) being identified as a possible witness or claimant pertaining to any alleged Title VII violation; (d) asserting any rights under this Decree; or (e) receiving any relief under this Decree.

C. Equal Employment Opportunity Consultant

Consolidated shall retain an Equal Employment Opportunity Consultant ("Consultant"), to implement and monitor its compliance with Title VII and the provisions of this Decree.

The parties have agreed to an experienced employment attorney and trainer, who shall serve as the Consultant for this Decree.

The Consultant's responsibilities shall include:

- 1. Reviewing and/or modifying Consolidated's policies and procedures to ensure equal employment opportunity is afforded to women in the recruitment and hiring processes;
- 2. Ensuring effective investigations of and monitoring of harassment, discrimination, and retaliation complaints; and
- 2. Ensuring effective training for (a) managerial employees on Consolidated's policies and procedures against discrimination and retaliation and (b) supervisors and management on recognizing discrimination and retaliation and responding to such complaints thereof.

D. Policies Concerning Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation

Consolidated, shall review its existing policies addressing discrimination, harassment and retaliation, maintain those policies and, if necessary, shall revise them to comply with the requirements set forth below. The finalized policy shall, at a minimum, include:

- 1. A strong and clear commitment to a workplace free from discrimination, harassment and retaliation;
- 2. A clear and comprehensive description of prohibited discrimination, harassment and retaliation;

- 3. A description of the possible consequences, that will be imposed upon violation of the policy against discrimination, harassment and retaliation;
- 4. A statement encouraging employees to come forward if they believe that they have been discriminated against or harassed;
- 5. An assurance that persons who in good faith complain about discrimination or harassment they experienced or witnessed will not be subject to retaliation;
- 6. A clearly described complaint process that provides accessible avenues of complaint;
- 7. Assurance that the employer will protect the confidentiality of discrimination complaints to the extent possible;
- 8. A complaint process that provides a prompt, thorough, and impartial investigation;
- 9. A system for tracking and providing follow-up on complaints and/or inquiries regarding discrimination and harassment;
- 10. Assurance that Consolidated will take immediate and appropriate corrective action if it determines that discrimination or harassment have occurred;
- 11. The contact information, including name, address, and telephone number of persons both internal (i.e., Consolidated's human resources personnel or managers) and external (i.e., EEOC) to whom employees may report complaints of discrimination or harassment at any time without fear of reprisal. The contact information shall be visibly posted in an area accessible to all employees and placed in the employee handbook; and
- 12. A statement that Consolidated's policies with respect to discrimination, harassment and retaliation apply to all third-parties that interact with Consolidated's employees.

A copy of the reviewed/revised policy in compliance with the above requirements shall be submitted to the EEOC and distributed to all Consolidated's employees within sixty days of the Effective Date, along with a memorandum notifying employees that the company is re-affirming its policy that discrimination is prohibited. Consolidated will re-affirm these policies in a meeting within the term of this Decree.

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D. Recruiting and Hiring:

Consolidated shall endeavor to increase diversity, including the representation of women in the workplace and will engage in recruitment activities in furtherance of that goal..

E. <u>Training</u>

- 1. Within sixty days of the Effective Date, Consolidated shall submit its training materials on discrimination, harassment and retaliation to the EEOC.
- 2. Consolidated's managerial employees were required to attend a training on their obligations and responsibilities under Consolidated's policies and procedures and EEO laws. Consolidated has committed to the following training sessions:

February 11, 2008:

Tahiti Village Sales Management

February 21, 2008: February 27, 2008:

Bermuda Management Corporate Management

March 12, 2008:

Tahiti Village Sales Management

March 14, 2008: April 2, 2008:

Corporate Management Hawaii Management

April 3, 2008: Hawaii Management

May 15 and 16, 2008: Media Management training

The training included how to recognize, prevent, and correct discrimination, harassment and retaliation, and how to receive, investigate, and/or report to designated officials complaints of discrimination, harassment or retaliation.

F. Neutral References

In the event that any prospective employers contact Consolidated inquiring into the employment of the Charging Parties, Consolidated shall provide a neutral reference which includes the following information: date of hire, position held, and date of departure. Consolidated shall explain that its internal policy allows it to reveal only that information to prospective employers.

G. Posting

Within ten (10) business days after the Effective Date and throughout the term of this

1	Decree, Consolidated shall post a full-sized copy of the Notice attached hereto as Appendix A, in a	
2	clearly visible location frequented by employees (e.g., breakrooms, locker rooms, etc.) at its	
3	facility located at 5625 W. Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89103.	
4	H. Record Keeping and Reporting	
5	1. Record Keeping	
6	Consolidated shall maintain its record keeping procedure that provides for the centralized	
7	tracking of complaints of discrimination and the monitoring of such complaints to prevent	
8	retaliation. The records that it will continue to maintain during the period of this Consent Decree	
9	shall include:	
lo	a. Discrimination, harassment and retaliation policies;	
11	b. Complaint procedure;	
12	c. All documents generated in connection with any complaint,	
13	investigation into, or resolution of every complaint of discrimination or retaliation for the duration	
۱4	of the Decree and the identities of the parties involved, including, but not limited to, the	
15	complainant, alleged perpetrator, investigator(s), witness(es), and decision-maker(s);	
16	d. All materials used in trainings; and	
7	e. Attendance lists for all trainings.	
8	The EEOC shall provide at least thirty (30) days notice to Consolidated to review the	
9	foregoing documents if deemed necessary.	
20	2. Reporting	
21	Consolidated shall provide the written reports to the EEOC as follows:	
22	a. Within ninety days after the Effective Date, Consolidated shall	
23	submit to the EEOC an initial report which contains:	
24	i. A copy of the finalized policy against discrimination,	
25	harassment and retaliation;	
26	ii. A summary of the procedures and record keeping methods for	
27	handling, tracking, and monitoring of complaints of discrimination and retaliation; and	
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1 revised policy.

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iv. A brief description of all sex discrimination and/or retaliation complaints made since the submission of the immediately preceding report required by this Consent Decree (or the Effective Date, if it is the first report). This description shall include the nature of the sex discrimination or retaliation based upon a complaint of sex discrimination alleged, , the dates of the alleged acts of sex discrimination or retaliation and a brief summary of how each complaint was resolved (if applicable).

- b. Consolidated shall maintain the underlying documents, including all notes applications, recruitment, and any other documents utilized for the Reports.
- c. For each internal complaint, the report shall (i) summarize the nature of the complaint, (ii) list the date the complaint was received, (iii) list the date the complaint was resolved, (iv) summarize Consolidated's findings, and (v) summarize any corrective action and/or discipline taken in response to the complaint.
- d. The report shall enable the tracking of multiple complaints by or against a single employee.
- e. In conjunction with the report, a Human Resources representative at the Director level or higher shall audit each internal complaint investigation to ensure that such complaints were handled in accordance with Consolidated's internal policy for handling complaints of sex harassment, discrimination and retaliation, especially with respect to multiple complaints received regarding the same individual. The report shall include information on the results of the audit.
- f. Anna Y. Park and/or Peter F. Laura shall review the report on behalf of the EEOC. If, after reviewing the report, they have concerns that Consolidated may have failed to appropriately investigate or respond to an internal complaint, then they may request and review particular documents related to such internal complaint. If Consolidated objects to all or part of any such document request, then the parties shall utilize the dispute resolution process set forth in Section VII.

VIII. MODIFICATION AND SEVERABILITY

- A. This Decree constitutes the complete understanding of the Parties with respect to the matters contained herein. No waiver, modification or amendment of any provision of this Decree will be effective unless made in writing and signed by an authorized representative of each of the Parties.
- B. If one or more provisions of the Decree are rendered unlawful or unenforceable, the Parties shall make good faith efforts to agree upon appropriate amendments to this Decree in order to effectuate the purposes of the Decree. In any event, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect unless the purposes of the Decree cannot, despite the Parties' best efforts, be achieved.
- C. By mutual agreement of the Parties, this Decree may be amended or modified in the interests of justice and fairness in order to effectuate the provisions of this Decree.

IX. COMPLIANCE AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- A. The Parties expressly agree that if the EEOC has reason to believe that Consolidated has failed to comply with any provision of this Consent Decree, the EEOC may petition this Court to enforce the Decree. Prior to initiating such petition, the EEOC will notify Consolidated's legal department and its legal counsel of record, in writing, of the nature of the dispute. This notice shall specify the particular provision(s) that the EEOC believes has/have been breached. Consolidated shall have thirty days to attempt to resolve or cure the breach.
- B. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and use their best efforts to resolve any dispute referenced in the EEOC notice.
- C. After forty-five days have passed with no resolution or agreement to extend the time further, the EEOC may petition this Court for compliance with this Decree, seeking all available relief, including, but not limited to, the imposition of attorneys' fees and costs, if otherwise allowed by law, and an extension of the term of the Decree for such period of time as Consolidated is shown to be in breach of the Decree.

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1	X.	COSTS OF ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSENT DECREE	
2		Consolidated shall bear all costs associated with their obligations under this Consent Decree.	
3	XI.	COSTS AND ATTORNEYS' FEES	
4		Each Party shall bear its own costs of suit and attorneys' fees.	
5	XII.	COUNTERPARTS AND FACSIMILE SIGNATURES	
6		This Decree may be signed in counterparts. A facsimile signature shall have the same force	
7	and ef	and effect of an original signature or copy thereof.	
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9		Respectfully Submitted,	
10		EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION	
11	Date:	9-9-08 By:	
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5	The Court finds the Consent Decree resolves both Actions and is fair. The Court shall retain
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EXHIBIT "A" NOTICE TO ALL EMPLOYEES

This Notice is being posted pursuant to a Consent Decree entered by the federal court in EEOC v. Consolidated Resorts, Inc., Case No. CV S-06-1104 LDG GWF; EEOC v. Consolidated Realty, Inc., Case No. CV S-06-00681 JCM LRL (District of Nevada), settling two lawsuits filed by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC"). In its first suit, the EEOC alleged that Consolidated subjected a female employee to sexual harassment, in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 ("Title VII"). In its second suit, the EEOC alleged that Consolidated terminated a female employee because her gender, in violation of Title VII.

To resolve this lawsuit the parties have entered into a Consent Decree which requires Consolidated to:

- 1) provide monetary relief to two Charging Parties;
- 2) refrain from permitting or engaging in sex discrimination in the future;
- 3) hire an EEO consultant;
- 4) revise its policies;
- 5) provide periodic reports to the EEOC; and
- 6) provide annual training to its employees regarding employee rights and responsibilities under Title VII.

The EEOC enforces the federal laws against discrimination in employment on the basis of disability, race, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, and age. If you believe you have been discriminated against, you may contact the EEOC at:

EEOC/Las Vegas Local Office 333 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Suite 8112 Las Vegas, NV 89101 (702) 388-5099