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Appeals: 23-12413-AA & 23-13392-AA

IN THE SUPREME COURT
OF THE UNITED STATES

Carlos A. Alonso Cano,
Fé Morejón Fernández,
Jany Alonso Morejón *Petitioners*

v.

245 C & C, LLC and
C.F.H. Group, L.L.C *Respondents*

On petition for a Writ of Certiorari
to the United States Court of Appeals
for the 11th Circuit, Atlanta, Georgia

REPLY BRIEF TO BRIEF IN OPPOSITION

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. - Whether, Respondents' Brief in Opposition, should be disregarded, pursuant to this Court's **Rule 15.2**, saying "the brief in opposition should address 'any perceived misstatement of fact or law in the petition'" and "Counsel are admonished that they have the obligation to the Court to 'point out' in the brief in opposition, and no later, any perceived misstatement made in the petition," and
2. - Whether Respondents' Brief in Opposition, considered as "misstatements" "all" the facts and legal arguments mentioned in our petition, and
3. - Whether Respondents' Brief in Opposition, was able to "appropriately point out," "contradict," and "defeat" each of the legal arguments included in our Writ of Certiorari, which are supported by legal decisions of other Circuit Courts of Appeals and even this Court itself (emphasis added).

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STATEMENT

A. Respondents' Brief in Opposition "is not" supported by competent and substantial evidence in the record. ***Rather***, the record shows that their "defensive arguments here" are "without merit" and "based solely" on: (1) the "sworn affidavits" with "misleading information" they filed in this case; (2) on the "perjurious statements" they used to evict us and those made in the bench trial ***here***, by Vilma Hernandez (manager of Villas of Hialeah (VOH)) and Tom Cabrerizo (CEO) (both who denied all the accommodations we requested for Angie); (3) and on those made by their "fabricated witnesses" ***without personal knowledge of the facts***.

a. ***Relevant is that***, the "misleading information" contained in such affidavits, is "directly contradicted" by our four (4) affidavits, and several videos and photos included in our USB, called (PSUSB).¹

¹ The evidence included in the (PSUSB) filed with the (DE 502, 8/9/21) of our case (No. 1-19-cv-21826-JAL), contains our four (4) affidavits, and (64) files with videos and photos that never were considered by the DC, before entering the ORDERS (DE 555, 8/17/22) & (DE 678 & 679, 7/20/23), as we requested in the (DE 491 & 492, 8/3/21) Id, ***because***: (1) the DC did not mention any of those videos and photos in the factual analysis it made in such orders; (2) in the ORDER (DE 555), (pg. 10: 21-22), the DC said "the new USB does not contain 'Appendix A,' nor does it appear anywhere else in the record" and (3) ***we suggest*** that

b. Relevant is, that Respondents' arguments used to evict us and to defend this case, "are directly contradicted" by the "REPORT"² of Carlos Hernandez (security guard of VOH) for the days (9/12/17) & (9/13/17) after the passage of the hurricane Irma, which "WAS HIDDEN BY THEM" because it never was provided by Vilma, the Respondents or Mr. Lowenhaupt (their lawyer): (1) neither to the HUD investigator Adoniram

our (PSUSB), never was viewed by the trial judge, because "it always remained in the drawer of my desk" as personally said Mr. Randy Tobie (manager of the Records' Department of the DC), to Carlos in two different occasions. See (Doc. 102, 9/30/24), (pg. 91: pt. 83 & 84) & (pg. 92: pt. 85) of USCA11 case (No. 23-12413).

"A genuine issue of material fact exists where "there is sufficient evidence favoring the nonmoving party for a jury to return a verdict for that party." *Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc.*, 477 U.S. 242, 249 (1986).

See *Briggs v. Univ. of Detroit-Mercy*, 611 F. App'x 865 (6th Circ. 2015), cited 32 times, 463 F.3d at 511 ("noting that a district court can abuse its discretion by 'misapply[ing] the correct legal standard' when reaching a conclusion").

² The "REPORT," shown in (DE 470, 6/1/21), (pg. 95 & 96) of DC case (No. 1-19-cv-21826-JAL), "clearly and convincingly" shows that our Apt. # 1301 of VOH: (1) "did not have a generator" and (2) "the police was called because tenant of Apt. # 1316, refused to turn off her generator," but the "firefighters" who came to VOH, said that "they had no orders that the generators should be turned off" (emphasis added).

Vargas, during the HUD investigation held between (Sept. - Dec., 2017); (2) **nor to Mr. Brochyus** (our lawyer), during the eviction case (**No. 2018-000236-CC-21**) filed by Respondents against us, **in which we prevailed**.³

³ See the (DE 26, 6/25/19),(pg. 3:3-8) *Id*, showing the “**correct verdict**” of the Hon. Judge Milena Abreu, in which she said “**Instead of advising Defendants (us) this was a fire code violation or a breach of any lease provision, the property manager, Ms. Vilma Hernandez testified a “7 day Notice to Cure” was issue on (9/25/17)”** which is shown in the (DE 430, 1/22/21),(pg. 208) *Id*, **in which was not mentioned the word “GENERATOR,”** *but* “Plaintiff (Vilma) immediately sent a “**Notice of Termination of Month-to-Month Tenancy (MMLC)**” the very next day, (9/26/17). See (DE 26),(pg. 3: 6-8) *Id* and the (DE 430, 1/22/21),(pg. 209), in which Respondents, **DID NOT SAY** that they terminated our MMLC, because **we violated a fire code, or any rule or regulation of VOH, or that, we disrespected Vilma, or because the smoke of our generator forced the tenant Mariela Hernandez (who lived above us in the Apt. # 1401), to leave her apartment of VOH, as they “falsely” declared during the eviction trial against us (emphasis added).**

The (DE 430, 1/22/21),(pg. 186) & (DE 470, 6/1/21),(pg. 45) *Id*, shows that the “**NONRENEWAL NOTICES**” dated on (8/1/13) & (8/3/16) respectively, that Vilma sent to us, **did not include any good or legitimate reason. But, they were sent in retaliation** as the Hon. Judge Mirela Abreu stated in the (DE 26),(pg. 3, **paragraphs 3, 4 & 5**) *Id*.

c. Relevant is that, on (9/12/17) & (9/18/17), before Vilma sent us the termination letter of our MMLC on (9/26/17), Carlos and Jany, gave Vilma the two “written requests” to accommodate Angie during the hurricane season, shown in the (DE 430, 1/22/21), (pg. 205 & 207), but Vilma denied “outright” and “without entering in an interactive process with us.” So on (9/18/17), Carlos told Vilma that on June, 2017, we already had filed a complaint in HUD against them, but HUD did not investigate it; then, since Vilma denied the “two reasonable accommodations” made on (9/18/17), we would file another complaint at HUD. See (DE 470, 6/1/21), (pg. 78: pt. 6) *Id.* (**emphasis added**).

d. MORE RELEVANT IS THAT, “THE LETTER” written by Respondents’ lawyer Mr. Kenneth Lowenhaupt, hand-delivered to Adoniram Vargas on (10/31/17) during the HUD investigation, that never was provided to Mr. Brochyus during the eviction lawsuit against us, and shown in the (DE 470, 6/1/21), (pg. 86, 87, 94), DIRECTLY CONTRADICT Vilma’s and Respondents’ arguments to evict us and confirms that: (1) Vilma knew that Angie was a disabled person from May, 2012 (DE 470), (pg. 87: 3-8); (2) that other tenants used generators and had tapes in their windows; (3) “Mr. Alonso was never given a Seven Day Notice to Cure or asked to remove a generator in View of the fact that he did have a disabled son,” (DE 470), (pg. 94: 33-35); (4) that “The Fire Department said that “they were not making anybody remove their generators at this

time,” (DE 470),(pg. 94: 36-37); and (4) pursuant Mr. Lowenhaupt own statement “the tenants that operated a generator, DID IT LEGALLY” (DE 470),(pg. 94: 42), *which later Mrs. Langbein have denied in every paper drafted and filed by her in the Appellate Court of Florida (eviction case) and in the DC (federal case), (emphasis added).*

e. *Besides* of the “verbal requests” we made in different years from (2/3/13) to (4/7/17), *that were eliminated from the transcripts of our depositions*, as we denounced in our motions (Doc. 45, 3/7/24) & (Doc. 73, 4/29/24) of USCA11 case (No. 23-12413), we also made the “written requests” shown in the (DE 430, 1/22/21),(pg. 23 to 25), of the DC case (No. 1-19-cv-21826-JAL), *during the conciliation process proposed by the Respondents* during the HUD investigation, after we filed our (2nd) HUD complaint. *But* they *denied* “all” of them “outright” and “without entering in an interactive process with us.”

The worst part is that “Respondents have denied until now that we made those “written requests” during the conciliation process” and Mrs. Langbein is refusing to provide the Zoom recording in which *should appear Carlos’ declarations about such written requests.*

f. See our motions (DE 358, 11/5/20); (DE 430, 1/22/21) and (DE 470, 6/1/21) of the DC case (No. 1-19-cv-21826-JAL), containing competent substantial evidence to demonstrate that fraud and discovery abuse was committed, because

Respondents withheld relevant evidence, filed affidavits with misleading information in them, and Mrs. Langbein and the Court Reporter Mr. Elías Martínez, provided “redacted transcripts” of our depositions.

Therefore, Respondents’ statement in their Brief in Opposition (pg. 3) saying that we “have never produced an iota of evidence to establish that fraud was committed by respondents or their counsel” is “false” and a “mere pretext” to avoid their responsibility and the disbarment of Mr. Lowenhaupt and Mrs. Langbein from the Florida Bar.

REASONS TO GRANT THE PETITION

B. Our Writ of Certiorari has full merit, and Respondents failed to defeat it. See Rule 15.2

a. Read, the (Doc. 2)(pg. 55 to 66) of the USCA11 case (No. 23-12413), demonstrating that the district court (DC) committed a “plain, evident and reversible error” by imposing us bench trial for Counts I and III, when we were entitled to a JURY TRIAL, pursuant: (1) the FRCP 38(a), and (2) the ruling in *Curtis v. Loether*, 415 U.S. 189, 194, 94 S. Ct. 1005, 1008, 39 L/Ed. 2d 260 (1974)” in which this court stated that:

“The Fair housing provisions of the Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which authorizes private plaintiffs to bring

actions to redress violations of the Act's fair housing provisions, entitled 'either party' to demand a jury trial". See (Doc. 102), (pg. 65: pt. 36) of USCA11 case (No. 23-12413) and see (DE 1, 5/6/19) & (DE 92, 12/2/19) of DC's case (1:19-cv-21826-JAL), demonstrating that we always requested a JURY TRIAL.

Besides that, neither party consented to the jurisdiction of the magistrate judge John J. O'Sullivan (DE 46, 7/30/19) *Id*, to rule on Respondents' motion (DE 106, 12/17/19) *Id*, to strike our demand for JURY TRIAL (emphasis added).

b. *Read*, the (Doc. 102), (pg. 69 to 85) of appeal case (No. 23-12413), in which was demonstrated that Respondents' lawyer Leslie W. Langbein, (1) committed fraud upon the Appellate Division of the 11th Judicial Circuit in and for Miami Dade County, Florida, by repeatedly and egregiously misstating the record on appeal seven (7) times, see (Doc.102), (pg. 76(h) to 79); (2) by providing "redacted transcripts of our depositions", see (Doc. 102), (pg. 79 & '80: pt. 59) *Id*, but it was not the first time that the law firm "Langbein & Langbein, P.A.", representing Respondents here, participated in a scheme of fraud, because this law firm, already helped Mr. Charles McKnight to file a false suit for automobile negligence in which the court concluded that "the misrepresentations of McKnight permeated the case" and affirmed the dismissal of the case (emphasis added).

c. Read, the ORDER (DE 555, 8/17/22), (pg. 76 to 87), in which the DC committed a “plain and reversible error” by dismissing the Count V of our SAC, after we have sent to Vilma various emails in different years (within the two years statute of limitation of the FHA), which were “written request” to accommodate Angie and provide him a quite enjoyment of the premises, specifically asking Respondents, to remove farther from our Apt. # 1301, the “industrial and noisy tree trimmer machine” that they “unnecessarily” and “intentionally” & “repeatedly” placed during various hours “in front of Angie’s bedroom,” causing him a lot of discomfort, distress and even tears, showed in the videos at (Files # 42, 42-A, 43, 50, 53 & 55) of the (PSUSB) filed with the (DE 502, 8/9/21), which the DC “totally disregarded” by saying:

“The Court rejects Plaintiffs’ argument that Defendants were required to engage Plaintiffs in an interactive process to determine whether a reasonable accommodation was necessary.” See (DE 555, 8/17/22), (pg. 86: 22-24), (last paragraph).

Relevant here is that: the DC not only applied the above “wrong legal standard” in the Count V, but in other Counts of our SAC, that were dismissed with the order (DE 555, 8/17/22) which entitles us to reversal of the ORDERS (DE 555, 8/17/22) and (DE 678 & 679, 7/20/23), because that statement, demonstrate that the trial judge was not impartial and applied here, a

doubled and erroneous legal standard, AGAINST ITS OWN RULING in

“Jacobs V. Concord Village Condominium X Association, No. 04-60017-Civ, U. S.

Southern Dist. Fla.,(2/17/04), Lenard/Simonton, in which was stated:

‘As the Seventh Circuit stated, “If a landlord is skeptical of a tenant’s alleged disability or the landlord’s ability to provide an accommodation, it is incumbent upon the landlord to request documentation or to open a dialogue (citing Jankowski Lee Associates v. HUD, 91 F.3d 891, 895 (7th Cir. 1996))

See, that in our “Response” (DE 491, 8/3/21), (pg. 9: **pt. 18(a)** of 26), **WE**

ALSO CITED “Jankowski Lee Assocs. v. Cisneros, 91F.3d 891, 895 (7th Cir.1996)

and Jacobs v. Concord Vill. Condo, X Ass’n Inc., (D. Fla. 2004), but the trial’s judge

“totally disregarded these two cases,” which suggests BIAS⁴ with Respondents

and

⁴ A federal trial judge, as the fact-finder **could be considered biased** if they commit a **“plain error”** by (**“ruling against their own previous ruling in a different case”**), as this inconsistency **could indicate a lack of impartiality** and **judge’s inability to apply the law fairly**. Judges have been cautioned **to voluntarily recuse if necessary “to assure that litigants have no cause to think their case is not being fairly judged.”** McClelland v. McClelland, 359 N.W.2d 7, 11 (Minn. 1984). In Caperton v. Massey (6/8/09) was ruled **“Due to a serious risk of actual bias,”** the Due Process Clause **required the recusal** of Judge Brent Benjamin. After that, H. Thomas Wells, Jr., President of the American Bar Association, applauded the decision.”

Mrs. Langbein. See (**Doc. 2**), (pg. 124 to 126) in USCA11 case (**No. 23-12413**).

d. **Read** the (**Doc. 102**), (pg. 126: pt. 149 to pg. 159: pt. 222) *Id*, in which was demonstrated that Respondents retaliated against us under the FHA.

e. Read the (**Doc. 102**), (pg. 184: pt. 268 to pg. 211) demonstrating that **Respondents obtained our eviction by fraud**, because in the case (**No. 2018-236-CC-21**): (1) their witnesses, and specifically Vilma (manager of VOH) **besides of withholding relevant evidence from our lawyer Mr. Brochyus and from the court, she repeatedly and egregiously “lied at stand”** during the eviction trial, (2) **their lawyer Mr. Lowenhaupt, committed fraud upon the state court**, by **“lying at stand”** and **by leading Vilma to commit “perjury under oath” repeatedly**, and (3) **because** in the appeal case (**No. 2019-208-APL**), Mrs. Langbein, **committed fraud upon** the Appellate Division of the Miami Dade County. See (**Doc. 102**), (pg. 76: **pt. 53** to pg. 78: **pt. 55**) in USCA11 case (**No. 23-12413**)

f. **Read** the **BILL OF REVIEW**, that **we introduced** in the (**Doc. 102**), (pg. 187(v): **pt. 273** to pg. 206: **pt. 293**) *Id*, for the USCA11 to review the judgment **obtained by fraud upon** the Appellate Division of the Miami Dade County in the case (**No. 2019-208-APL**), which **“erroneously”** reversed the

correct verdict entered by the Hon. Judge Milena Abreu, shown in the (DE 26, 6/25/19) of case (No. 1:19-cv-21826-JAL). See (DE 372-10, 11/16/20) Id, showing the “erroneous ruling” of that Appellate Court of FL., after fraud was committed upon it by Mrs. Langbein on seven (7) different occasions, and because Respondents “WITHHELD” the “REPORT” and “THE LETTER” of Mrs. Lowenhaupt, mentioned above in the pages (pg. 2 & 4), (emphasis added).

g. Read the (Doc. 102),(pg. 207: pt. 295 to pg. 211: pt. 302) of appeal case (No. 23-12413), the “Appellants’ Joint Reliefs for Counts IX, XI & XII” because of Respondents’ repeatedly “coerced” and “intimidated” us in “retaliation” without good and legitimate reasons.

h. Read the (Doc. 102),(pg. 217 to 238) Id, showing our arguments for reversal in the Count XIV of our SAC.

i. Read the (Doc. 102),(pg. 239 to 245) Id, demonstrating that the Respondents again discriminated and retaliated against us, on (9/20/21), after we made a written request for a reasonable accommodation to keep Angie at VOH, during the covid-19 pandemic.

j. Read the (Doc. 102),(pg. 245: pt. 348 to pg. 247: pt. 351) Id, demonstrating that the DC committed a “plain and evident error,” (FN 4), which entitled us to reversal of the ORDER (DE 555, 8/17/22) of case (No. 1:19-cv-21826-JAL) for the

Counts V and XIV of our SAC, because the Hon. Judge Lenard, “erroneously” denied our request for “Judicial Notice” *because* the documents we presented “are public records” and “of common knowledge,” *therefore subjected for judicial notice (emphasis added)*

k. *Read* the (Doc. 102), (pg. 247: pt. 352 to pg. 252: pt. 358) of appeal case (No. 23-12413), appealing the ORDER (DE 555) of case (No. 1:19-cv-21826-JAL), for the Count XV of our SAC.

l. Read the (Doc. 102), (pg. 252: pt. 359 to pg. 258: pt. 379) *Id.*, demonstrating that the DC committed a “plain and evident error,” that entitles us to reversal of the ORDERS (DE 88, 98 & 160) respectively, because the DC “sanctioned Carlos” to pay (\$ 3000.00) for an alleged but false “discovery abuse” that “was fabricated” by Mrs. Langbein, to harass Carlos, because she knew or should have known that: (1) the legal standard says that such sanction should be applied against the lawyer representing us (Mr. Michael Lutfy), because she knew that Mr. Lutfy sent to Carlos her discovery requests (1) with a delay of (33) days and (2) three (3) days after the (30) day deadline to respond them had passed.

m. *Read* the (Doc. 102), (pg. 259: pt. 380 to pg. 264: pt. 391), of appeal case (No. 23-12413), demonstrating that Respondents: (1) retaliated against us and (2) denied housing to us on (9/9/16), by imposing the MMLC, “only one month”

after we requested reasonable accommodations and a modification for Angie to Tom Cabrerizo on (8/4/16), which he also denied “outright” that day (emphasis added).

n. Read the (Doc. 102), (pg. 259: pt. 380 to pg. 264: pt. 391) *Id*, demonstrating that the MMLC was “unconscionable,” which is sufficient reason to vacate the “erroneous verdict” given in the appeal (No. 2019-208-APL) and reverse our eviction.

o. Read the (Doc. 102), (pg. 326 (H): pt. 536 to pg. 340: pt. 559) *Id*, demonstrating that we are the prevailing party in the bench trial and in various Counts of our SAC, because: (1) we made the “written requests” shown in (DE 430, 1/22/21), (pg. 23 to 25), on (10/2/17) and (10/3/17), (2) within the two year statute of limitation, (3) which Respondents “denied outright” and (4) Mrs. Langbein have been “HIDING” during all these years of litigation (emphasis added).

p. Neither the DC nor the Florida Bar, ordered Mr. Langbein, to turn over the Zoom recordings, to properly and effectively investigate the fraud upon the DC that we denounced about the redacted transcripts.

q. The DC committed a “plain and evident error” (1) by granting Mr. Dunlavy’s (2nd) motion to withdraw, (2) leaving Angie & Katy without

representation, and (3) by ruling against its own “report and recommendation” shown in (DE 727, 10/12/23), WHICH SHOWS BIAS. See (FN 4).

CONCLUSION

Our Writ of Certiorari should be granted on the merits.

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