IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

ILEANA CAMPOS, AN INDIVIDUAL,	
Appellant,	
vs.	
JAY BEE'S FINISH SPECIALTIES;	
JAMES BULAH, INDIVIDUALLY AND	
D/B/A JAY BEE'S FINISH	
SPECIALTIES,	
Respondents.	

No. 51993

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ORDER OF REVERSAL AND REMAND

This is an appeal from an order following a short trial that denied appellant's motion for attorney fees and costs. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Nancy L. Allf, Short Trial Judge.

Under STR 27(b)(2) and NAR 20(B)(2)(a), appellant was entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs if respondents failed to reduce the arbitration award by at least 20 percent. Here, the short trial resulted in an award greater than the arbitration award, thereby increasing, not reducing, respondents' liability. Therefore, appellant was entitled to an award of attorney fees not to exceed \$3,000, <u>see</u> STR 27(b)(4), and costs. The short trial judge erred in refusing to award appellant her fees and costs pursuant to these rules. On remand, the short trial judge shall grant appellant her reasonable costs and a reasonable attorney fees award in compliance with STR 27(b). Accordingly, we

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ORDER the judgment of the short trial judge REVERSED AND REMAND this matter to the short trial judge for proceedings consistent with this order.

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J. Pickering

cc: Nancy L. Allf, Short Trial Judge Janet Trost, Settlement Judge Reade & Associates James Bulah Jay Bee's Finish Specialties Eighth District Court Clerk

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