CASE NO. 017-290364-17 James A McGuire, on behalf of himself and *\$* \$\tau\$ IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF all others similarly situated in the State of Texas PLAINTIFF, V. TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS Gregg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of Texas and official capacity as CEO of the State of Texas, JUDICIAL DISTRICT DEFENDANT, 3 PLAINTIFF'S MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' ORIGINAL PETITION FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE COMES NOW, James Allen McGuire as a Notary (ID 130260037 expiration 06-16-2019), James Allen McGuire is also a Texas licensed Private Investigator for Mortgage Compliance Investigations LLC.; for the benefit of the State of Texas and the taxpaying citizens of the State of Texas (hereinafter "Plaintiff") and files its Original Petition for Declaratory Judgment against the defendants in their official capacities as the parties allowing (78R) H.B. 1493 to remain of statutory law **NOTICE** 12 Plaintiff notices all that "... the right to file a lawsuit pro se is one of the most important rights under the constitution and laws." Elmore v. McCammon (1986) 640 F. Supp. 905; Pursuant to Article 1, section 27, plaintiff notices the court of petitioners right to petition the government for redress of grievances with the right to ask a governmental body to solve a problem. 16 THE SUBJECT

Section § 51.0001(4)(C) "(4)" Mortgagee" means (C) if the security interest has been assigned

of record, the last person to whom the security interest has been assigned of record".

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21	Texas Local Government Code Chapter 192, section 007, subsection (a), § 192.007(a). Pursuant to
22	Texas Rules of Evidence, 201, plaintiff requests the court take judicial notice of recorded deed of trusts
23	in the State of Texas. Pursuant to Texas Rules of Evidence, 201, plaintiff requests the court take
24	judicial notice of Article 3, section 30, Texas Constitution. Pursuant to Texas Rules of Evidence, 201,
25	plaintiff requests the court take judicial notice of sections § 9.109(d)(2) & § 9.109(d)(11), Texas
26	Business and Commerce Code. Pursuant to Texas Rules of Evidence, 201, plaintiff requests the court
27	take judicial notice of sections § 3.203(d), Chapter 3, Texas Business and Commerce Code. Pursuant to
28	Texas Rules of Evidence, 201, plaintiff requests the court take judicial notice of section § 751.151
29	Chapter 751, Texas Estates Code.
30	Chapter 192, Texas Local Government Code
31 32 33 34 35	Sec. 192.007. RECORDS OF RELEASES AND OTHER ACTIONS. (a) To release, transfer, assign, or take another action relating to an instrument that is filed, registered, or recorded in the office of the county clerk, a person must file, register, or record another instrument relating to the action in the same manner as the original instrument was required to be filed, registered, or recorded.
36 37	(b) An entry, including a marginal entry, may not be made on a previously made record or index to indicate the new action
38	Article 3, Texas Constitution
39 40 41	Sec. 30. LAWS PASSED BY BILL; AMENDMENTS CHANGING PURPOSE. No law shall be passed, except by bill, and no bill shall be so amended in its passage through either House, as to change its original purpose.
42	Recorded Deed of Trust
43 44	The court may choose from any county in Texas. Travis County would suit this instant case because this is the county where House Bill 1493 was enacted.
45 46 47 48 49 50 51	Sec. 9.109. SCOPE. (a) Except as otherwise provided in Subsections (c), (d), and (e), this chapter applies to: (d) This chapter does not apply to: (2) a lien (11) the creation or transfer of an interest in or lien on real property, including a lease or rents

- Sec. 3.203. TRANSFER OF INSTRUMENT; RIGHTS ACQUIRED BY TRANSFER. (a) An instrument is transferred when it is delivered by a person other than its issuer for the purpose of giving to the person receiving delivery the right to enforce the instrument.
 - (d) If a transferor purports to transfer less than the entire instrument, negotiation of the instrument does not occur. The transferee obtains no rights under this chapter and has only the rights of a partial assignee.

Sec. 751.151. RECORDING FOR REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS REQUIRING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF INSTRUMENTS. A durable power of attorney for a real property transaction requiring the execution and delivery of an instrument that is to be recorded, including a release, assignment, satisfaction, mortgage, security agreement, deed of trust, encumbrance, deed of conveyance, oil, gas, or other mineral lease, memorandum of a lease, lien, or other claim or right to real property, must be recorded in the office of the county clerk of the county in which the property is located not later than the 30th day after the date the instrument is filed for recording.

66 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this memorandum is to assist in recognizing the internal governing law parts within the Texas Property Code causing apparent unrecognized and severe constitutional violations; and to advocate to the courts to recognize the multitude of Texas law, and U.S. law affected by one certain section of law which on its face, invites fraudulent activity, fraudulent filings, and deprivation to persons, unequal simply because section § 51.0001(4)(C) invites such activity. Such certain section inherently bypasses the law of negotiation to allow an alleged claimant to assert it is a holder of a security instrument when the claimant probably could not prove up a bona fide chain of title to both note and lien except § 51.0001(4)(C) seemingly provides a get out of jail free pass.

It would not be prudent for one to overlook such violations of Texas law, and by not overlooking the violation it can be deduced to recognize many U.S. laws like U.S. Tax, U.S. Bankruptcy, and U.S. Securities laws are affects also, but not limited the few named, including the federal constitution.

To recognize why section § 51.0001(4)(C) is unconstitutional, the courts would be required to recognize section § 51.0001(4)(B) as such definition of "mortgagee" in § 51.0001(4) can be referenced as another definition in § 51.0001(1) as § 51.0001(4)(B). This particular definition in § 51.0001(1) alone raises a question of ambiguity, as "national book entry system" was never defined, clarified, nor mentioned within the Texas Legislatures public website regarding the history of (78R) H.B. 1493.

According to the Federal Reserve definition of "national book entry system" this meaning could not equate to a book entry system defined in § 51.0001(1), because the "national book entry system" conducts commercial business in the securities market, personal property, not real property. Section § 51.0001(4)(B) is not the focus of this challenge. In part, the confusion also seems to side with the definition in § 51.0001(6) because a lien is not an "instrument"¹, yet it is redefined as an "instrument" in § 51.0001(6). Section § 51.0001(6) is not the focus of this challenge. Plaintiff stresses to the court that such overbroad meaning in section § 51.0001(4)(C) would allow for personal property, such as documents of title, warehouse receipts, electronic notes, to replace real property, which is private property of the people of Texas.

According to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York website², the site provides clues to understanding what § 51.0001(1) accomplishes similarly. The following are excerpts from that web page [emphasis added];

A book-entry program has largely replaced paper U.S. Government and agency securities with computer entries at Reserve Banks.

Book entry offers both security and efficiency advantages over paper certificates.

The Treasury offers new bills, notes and bonds only in book-entry form.

Securities in book-entry form are less vulnerable to theft and loss, can't be counterfeited and <u>don't require</u> counting or <u>recording</u> by certificate number. In addition, owners do not submit coupons to obtain interest payments or present certificates to redeem securities

In addition to the U.S. Treasury, several government sponsored agencies have issued book-entry regulations and many of their securities have been available in book-entry form since the 1970s. Beginning in late 1983, short-term agency discount notes also became eligible for book entry.

Finally, mortgage-backed securities issued by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation and the Federal National Mortgage Corporation were issued in book-entry form beginning in 1985.

As part of the program to expand the use of book entry, the Treasury began offering new bills exclusively in book-entry form in 1979. In August 1986, with the introduction of a program named Treasury Direct, the Treasury began marketing all new notes and bonds only in book-entry form.

¹ Max Duncan Family Investments, Ltd. v. NTFN INC., 267 SW 3d 447 - Tex: Court of Appeals

² https://www.newyorkfed.org/aboutthefed/fedpoint/fed05.html

CONCEIVABLE VS PLAUSIBLE

Is it conceivable and plausable that the Deed of Truct being a contract was breached as all applicable laws were not followed as per a covenant of the contract. Only in the mind of the sponsor is there conceivable intent of (78R) H.B. 1493. As it appears the sponsor conceived or imagined, the mortgage servicer was possible; and could be credible; thinkable in a sense of real estate transactions and satisfactory to a lender.

As for plausible, the intentions of (78R)H.B. 1493 appeared acceptable, seemingly valid, and likely to be acceptable. However the plausibility of section § 51.0001(4)(C) has shown Texas courts to be divided in opinion, and local governments reduction in revenue can be observed. If this were viewed upon the criminal aspect, fraud and deception would be a factor.

In 2004, "book entry system" was added to chapter 51, Texas Property Code. This book entry system is well known in Texas Courts, and counties. It is fact that this book entry system uses "new notes", called eNotes⁴. And as the *national book entry system* notes need not be recorded, such eNotes according to § 51.0001(4)(C) are not required to be recorded.

128 Tax code

To make a determination of what is what, the tax code assessment procedures provides two basic types of property, personal, and real property. The two basic types of property are assessed differently because the tax rate would vary between personal property and real property. The tax code does not describe personal property as real property.

The tax code does divide the *things* that you can touch and feel, from the things you cannot touch or feel. "Personal property is divided into "tangible" and "intangible" forms. Tangible personal property is just that: it has a physical form. It can be seen, touched, and moved. Examples of tangible personal property include clothing, books, and computers. On the other hand, the notion of intangible personal property is an abstraction. They do not usually have physical forms (other than certificates or accompanying records). These include assets such as patents, trademarks, stocks, and bonds".⁵

³ Section § 51.0001(1) "Book entry system" means a national book entry system for registering a beneficial interest in a security instrument that acts as a nominee for the grantee, beneficiary, owner, or holder of the security instrument and its successors and assigns.

⁴ Good v. WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, 18 NE 3d 618 - Ind: Court of Appeals 2014

^{5 &}lt;u>http://realestate.findlaw.com/owning-a-home/types-of-property-for-tax-purposes.html</u>

It would be important to not overlook the personal property simply because a borrower physically signs a promissory note, which then becomes an *intangible* asset for the holder in due course. Should the holder in due course assign the note to a bona fide receiver of the lawfully transferred note, there would be no requirement to record the interest in the lawfully assigned note. But this is only in regards to a note. If the borrower physically signs the note, and a lien as security, the holder in due course of the note is a secured lien creditor. To prove such, the lien creditor would file record with the county clerk to provide constructive notice.

Texas is well aware of the issues before their courts in regards to taking of real property by parties defined by chapter 51. Section § 192.007 would require the bona fide lien creditor to re-file to perfect its security. This would be deed of trust. It is the only way to create an interest in a lien as the lien secures a note.

DOCTRINE OF STARE DECISIS

Located in the American Law Register, December 1886, an article was titled THE PRINCIPLE OF STARE DECISIS⁶. Within the article the following can be found on or about page 745;

"A solemn decision upon a point of law, arising in any given case, becomes an authority in a like case, because it is the highest evidence which we can have of the law applicable to the subject, and the judges are bound to follow that decision so long as it stands unreversed, unless it can be shown that the law was misunderstood or misapplied in that particular case. If a decision has been made upon solemn argument and mature deliberation, the presumption is in favor of its correctness; and the community have a right to regard it as a just declaration or exposition of the law, and to regulate their actions and contracts by it. It would, therefore, be extremely inconvenient to the public, if precedents were not duly regarded and implicitly followed."

It was also stated in that article; "What the doctrine of precedent declares is that cases must be decided the same way when their material facts are the same. Obviously it does not require that all the facts should be the same. We know that in the flux of life all the facts of a case will never recur, but the legally material facts may recur and it is with these that the doctrine is concerned."

Centuries ago, Texas, as a lien theory state, continued such theory, as today, except stare decisis changed after 2004, or possibly prior to 2004, due to House Bill 1493. Long held Texas

^{6 &}lt;u>http://scholarship.law.upenn.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=4147&context=penn_law_review</u>

Supreme Court cases such as *West v. First Baptist Church of Taft*, 71 SW 2d 1090; *Pope v. Beauchamp* 219 SW 447 – 1920; *Kirby Lumber Corporation v. Williams*, 230 F. 2d 330 - Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit 1956; *Moran v. Wheeler*, 87 Tex. 179 – 1894, has lost their position to a simple material fact that changed Texas case law for the benefit of impostor actors. This change in stare decisis has come with consequences unprecedented. Old previous real property case law became overshadowed by an un-described and un-known party with the full force of law enacted by chapter 51 of the Texas Property code. Section § 51.0001 in essence, forced stare decisis to change according to a misguided House Bill 1493.

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What happens when there is no stare decisis? Take for instance a certain litigation in 2013 where a court made the statement in its opinion claiming; "Admittedly, the Texas Local Government Code declares that the assignment of a recorded instrument must itself be recorded. See TEX. LOCAL GOVT CODE § 192.007(a). However, this obscure provision has never been cited in a state court decision and is best read as a procedural directive to county clerks, not as a prerequisite to the validity of assignments.". Plaintiff provides this statement because of the words "is best read as a procedural directive" as this statement appears to be incorrect according to law. Article 3, Section 29, states "The enacting clause of all laws shall be: "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas."". In 1987 Senate Bill 896, in the 70th Regular Session was enacted on 9/1/1987 "Relating to the adoption of nonsubstantive revision of the statutes relating to local government, including conforming amendments, repeals, and penalties." as an act. According to the Texas House of Representatives "About Us" web page which provides "Capitol Information". Under such heading the website reader will find "How A Bill Becomes a Law" which explains the bill process all the way to "Upon receiving a bill, the governor has 10 days in which to sign the bill, veto it, or allow it to become law without a signature.". According to the Texas Legislature website regarding SB 896, the Governor signed off on 5/21/877. In understanding SB 896 which contained section § 192.007 would become law on 9/1/87 and does not constitute a procedural directive to the county clerk but rather constitutes a law containing a statute to be enforced.

^{7 &}lt;u>http://www.lrl.state.tx.us/legis/billsearch/actions.cfm?legSession=70-0&billtypeDetail=SB&billNumberDetail=896&billSuffixDetail=&startRow=1&IDlist=&unClicklist=&unchenter=100</u>

Furthermore, not only has this portion of chapter § 51 allowed for unknown variables in the Texas Property Code, courts continue to misapply law. Take for instance, in 2014 an article titled THE RECORDING STATUTE IN TEXAS (AND THE INNOCENT PURCHASER DOCTRINE)⁸, contains within the introduction and in section "A" A. Registration Generally Permissive, the author states "However, recordation is the prudent course,", and provides footnote #2 as supporting case law from Richard v. CIT GROUP, Dist. Court, SD Texas 20129 stating "While it is customary and prudent to record land-title documents — deeds, liens, mineral leases — promissory notes are not." In reviewing Richard v. CIT GROUP, such statement is evident. However, to show how the definition in § 51.0001(1) seemingly became empowered with more than just being an alleged mortgagee, beneficiary, or nominee, the federal court seemingly designated § 51.0001(1) as "Trustee". The court stated in that opinion; "The Mortgage Registration System is a private tool of the house financing business. <u>It holds as a</u> trustee title to mortgages." So, what is § 51.0001(1) a trustee for, Intangible Stock Certificates? According to any deed of trust lien in Texas where the person defined as § 51.0001(1) is recognized, the trustee named within the deed of trust is not the person defined as § 51.0001(1). The federal court clearly states the use of the person defined as § 51.0001(1), "a private tool". Id. At some point the State of Texas has to realize a mistake has happened whether it was knowingly, or unknowingly, the mistake happened.

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Furthermore, the court should take into consideration U.S. Bankruptcy law in this seemingly new stare decisis practice as it seemingly up heaves the issues of jurisdictional standing, law of negotiability, and agency relationship to name a few. Take for instance, in 2008, United Bankruptcy Court, District of Nevada¹⁰ [herein "BK"] addressed such person known in Texas as § 51.0001(1), and those associated with such person, and the affects of jurisdiction, standing, law of negotiability, along with agency relationship, all of which and according to the federal opinion, the person failed to prove standing. Thus the person appealed the BK decision to U.S. District Court in Nevada¹¹, The district court upheld the BK decision.

^{8 &}lt;u>24TH ANNUAL ROBERT C. SNEED TEXAS LAND TITLE INSTITUTE</u> December 4-5, 2014 San Antonio

⁹ It maters not what the litigants allege it matters what the court states

¹⁰ In re JOSHUA & STEPHANIE MITCHELL Case No. BK-S-07-16226-LBR

¹¹ *In re Mitchell*, 423 BR 914 - Dist. Court, D. Nevada 2009

Indeed section §51.0001 has seemingly caused confusion in courts across Texas. Section §51.0001 has seemingly changed the process of stare decisis from determining paper rights according to law to allowing abstract rights according to section §51.0001(4)(C) to prevail whether such abstract rights legal, or not legal.

COMMERCIAL CUSTOMS vs ENACTED LAW

In a federal court opinion, it was stated "Commercial custom does not apply where the U.C.C. provides otherwise. See U.C.C. Sec. 1 103; also U.C.C. Sec. 3 104, Official Comment 2 ("[A] writing cannot be made a negotiable instrument within this Article by contract or by conduct". - US v. Hibernia Nat. Bank, 841 F. 2d 592 - Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit 1988. Would this federal court statement apply to Section § 51.0001(4)(C)? Does the U.C.C. not provide otherwise for personal property mortgages held by creditors and account debtors, not lien creditors and debtors?

Did the sponsor of (78R) H.B. 1493 take into account the simple fact of what the federal court stated in *US v. Hibernia Nat. Bank?* The U.C.C. provides the avenue for "*intangibles*", as such personal property is usually held by "U.C.C. creditors" conducting commercial transactions with an account debtor¹², which is not the same transaction as "Lien creditors" real property transactions with a borrower as both are different in law.

In a 2013 federal court opinion, the infamous words "Where a debt is "secured by a note, which is, in turn, secured by a lien, the lien and the note constitute separate obligations." Prior to that statement, the court gave the path to the "two obligations";

"The Texas courts have repeatedly discussed the dual nature of a note and deed of trust. "It is so well settled as not to be controverted that the right to recover a personal judgment for a debt secured by a lien on land and the right to have a foreclosure of lien are severable, and a plaintiff may elect to seek a personal judgment without foreclosing the lien, and even without a waiver of the lien."

According to public records on the Texas Legislatures website regarding (78R) H.B. 1493, and in reviewing the "Analysis" for House Committee Report the analysis states: "Chapter 51, Property

¹² Section § 9.102(3) - "Account debtor" means a person obligated on an account, chattel paper, or general intangible. The term does not include persons obligated to pay a negotiable instrument, even if the instrument constitutes part of chattel paper.

¹³ Martins v. BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, 722 F. 3d 249 - Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit 2013

^{14 &}lt;a href="http://www.legis.state.tx.us/tlodocs/78R/analysis/pdf/HB01493H.pdf#navpanes=0">http://www.legis.state.tx.us/tlodocs/78R/analysis/pdf/HB01493H.pdf#navpanes=0

Code governs the foreclosure process. Over the years, practices have been developed to manage the foreclosure process, many of which, though not inconsistent with Chapter 51, are not expressly authorized by it. For example, it is common practice for lenders to rely upon mortgage servicers to accept loan payments on behalf of the lender, but current law does not address the role of mortgage servicers in the foreclosure process. Current practice is for the mortgage servicer to administer this process on behalf of the lender. A recent appeals court ruling has cast doubt as to whether a mortgage servicer may administer the foreclosure process because the law does not specifically authorize it. Further uncertainty exists in the foreclosure process because key terms, such as "debtor's last known address," are not defined in law and other common practices, such as appointing substitute trustees, are not included in law.".

H.B. 1493 analysis would have been stated by the legislators according to the HB01493.PDF on the Texas Legislature website.

As far back as 1995, in a federal court opinion¹⁵ recognized a lienholder such as Federal National Mortgage Association through its loan servicer would notify a "borrower" in regards to discrepancies with a loan obligation. The Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 (RESPA) (12 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.) (the act) became effective on June 20, 1975, in which the term "mortgage servicer" was recognized in 12 U.S. Code § 2605 - Servicing of mortgage loans and administration of escrow accounts. The question at hand should be whether the intent for "mortgage servicer" to be added into House Bill 1493 was to vaguely provide an open opportunity for an unsuspecting personal property mortgage servicer, rather than a loan servicer for a lienholder?

Was clarity provided to the extent that the "mortgage servicer" meant an entity in the position of servicing lien loans, or was the door left open for such entities as "master servicer" which could possibly be the servicer of a master trust which holds multiple loan secured by real property liens in various pools, or could the mortgage servicer possibly be an entity such as a "sub servicer" which services private intangible assets, or could the mortgage servicer possibly be an entity such as a "sub servicer" which services electronic chattel, or could the "sub servicer" mortgage servicer possibly be an entity which services warehouse receipts, or could the "sub servicer" mortgage servicer possibly be an entity which services documents of title? All of which may possible lead back to "master servicer". If this were the case, did the Texas Legislature take into account the durable power of attorney act?

¹⁵ Dupuis v. Federal Home Loan Mortg. Corp., 879 F. Supp. 139 - Dist. Court, D. Maine 1995

278 Section § 51.0001(4)(C) deprives Texas Estates Code statutory law?

Due to section § 51.0001(4)(C) allowing "if the security interest has been assigned of record, the last person to whom the security interest has been assigned of record" as such, the section allows parties to violate the certain section "D" in Texas Estates Code, chapter 751. As section § 751.151 states;

SUBCHAPTER D. RECORDING DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Sec. 751.151. RECORDING FOR REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS REQUIRING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF INSTRUMENTS. A durable power of attorney for a real property transaction requiring the execution and delivery of an instrument that is to be recorded, including a release, assignment, satisfaction, mortgage, security agreement, deed of trust, encumbrance, deed of conveyance, oil, gas, or other mineral lease, memorandum of a lease, lien, or other claim or right to real property, must be recorded in the office of the county clerk of the county in which the property is located not later than the 30th day after the date the instrument is filed for recording.

The wording in § 751.151 clearly reflects the echos the statutory law of section § 192.007(a), Texas Local Government Code. Is it lawful to violate two statutes in order to legally conduct commercial transactions under one section of chapter 51, Texas Property Code?

Could the confusion of Texas courts be resolved easily? Yes. Remove the unconstitutional portions of section § 51.0001 which cause the constitutional violations.

Plaintiff requests the court should consider the lien which makes section § 51.0001 plausible for illegally committing criminal acts while given the full force of law. Section § 51.0001 seemingly allows the contractual obligation to be impaired, as this section overshadows covenants within the lien contract, and section § 51.0001 seemingly provides that referenced supported law in the contract is not necessary. Take for instance, a definition can be found within the lien contract; "Applicable Law" means all controlling applicable federal, state and local statutes, regulations, ordinances and administrative rules and orders (that have the effect of law) as well as all applicable final, non-appealable judicial opinions. And certain wording can also be found in a covenant within the lien contract; "16. Governing Law; Severability; Rules of Construction. This Security Instrument shall be governed by federal law and the law of the jurisdiction in which the Property is located.". Such

covenant may vary by number, yet this covenant is in many deed of trust, FHA, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, etc.

Is it possible "lender" and mortgagee" were one-in-the-same, or was this assumption left that way for a reason? The fact is the issue with section § 51.0001 continues to provide uncertainty with undefined entities still existing, such as "national book entry system" was never defined. According to such section, a "book entry system" means a "national book entry system". What is a "national book entry system"? Why was the clarity of a vital part of such definition omitted? It was not clarified.

According to section § 9.102(28), there is a conflict also with the key term "debtor" which is undefined in the chapter 51, Texas property code. It is assumed that debtor is a borrower, or the term may have derived from 11 USC 101(13)¹⁶ which would make sense since a borrower could possibly file bankruptcy. However, because of the problems with § 51.0001(4)(C), the definition of "debtor" is defined within chapter 9, in section § 9.102(28)¹⁷ Nonetheless, that definition is not proper in real property because the U.C.C. deals with personal property. The U.C.C. does not apply to liens. See § 9.109(d)(2); See See § 9.109(d)(11)

Did one enacted law in Texas invite unsuspecting fraud? Did one law in Texas allow crimes to be committed lawfully? As assumed, the intent of the Texas Legislature was to allow a foreclosure to be conducted by a "mortgage servicer" on behalf of a lender, as noticed in the House Committee Report. Usually, this may not seem out of the ordinary, but when the House Bill was enacted, an unrecognized personal property actor originated in 2004 as a mortgagee" to replace the lender in real property transactions, as a conceivable means as the "intent", "as applied", points to personal property rather than real property, and was this "personal property" activity disclosed to the lawmakers?

¹⁶ U.S. Bankruptcy code

^{17 &}quot;Debtor" means: (A) a person having an interest, other than a security interest or other lien, in the collateral, whether or not the person is an obligor; (B) a seller of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes; or (C) a consignee.

LAW SIMILARITY

To use another state holding values of lien perfection, the State of Oregon can be used with
Texas to see the similarities between each law, and how it was enforced by the Oregon Supreme Court.
Although Oregon contains is act for deed of trusts in one act called Oregon Trust Deed Act, OTDA,
Texas trust deed is divided into to two different codes, Texas Property Code, and Texas Local
Government Code. Nonetheless, the similarities can be provided.

In *Niday v. GMAC Mortgage, LLC*, ¹⁸ a case before the Oregon Supreme Court in 2013, the courts cited the following portion of the OTDA; *Id* at page 4

"the trust deed, <u>any assignments of the trust deed</u> by the trustee or the beneficiary and any appointment of a successor trustee [be] recorded in the mortgage records in the counties in which the property described in the deed is situated[.]"

There is a similarity to the OTDA with Sec. § 192.007.

Sec. 192.007. "To release, transfer, assign, or take another action relating to an instrument that is filed, registered, or recorded in the office of the county clerk, a person must file, register, or record another instrument relating to the action in the same manner as the original instrument was required to be filed, registered, or recorded"

The Oregon Supreme court tackled the "beneficiary" in the trust deed in that case;

Defendants contend that the phrase "named or otherwise designated" shows that the legislature intended that the parties to a trust deed have the ability to contractually identify the "beneficiary" without regard to whom the trust deed actually benefits. Defendants posit that the definition must be read consistently with "long established Oregon statutory and common law principles authorizing agents * * * to act as beneficiary and hold legal and record title to interests in real estate." In other words, defendants argue, the "named or otherwise designated" wording shows that the legislature intended to permit the lender (who usually is "the person for whose benefit the trust deed is given") to designate its agent or nominee as the trust deed's beneficiary.

In the trust deed at issue here, MERS is "named" as the beneficiary ("The beneficiary of the Security Instrument is MERS (solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns and the successors and assigns of MERS)[.]"). But MERS is not "the person for whose benefit the trust deed is given." Rather, the terms of the trust deed "designate" the "Lender" (Greenpoint) as that person ("This Security Instrument secures to Lender: (i) the repayment of the Loan, and all renewals, extensions and modifications of the Note; and (ii) the performance of Borrower's covenants and agreements under this security Instrument and the Note."). Thus, for purposes of the requirement for nonjudicial foreclosure that "any

¹⁸ http://www.publications.ojd.state.or.us/docs/S060655.pdf

assignments of the trust deed by the * * * beneficiary" be recorded, the "beneficiary" of the trust deed is Greenpoint or its successors, and not MERS.

The Oregon Supreme Court opinion is well worth the reading for many.

Nonetheless, section § 51.0001(4)(A), Texas Property Code clearly defines the lien creditor, as this can be observed in public records of a county clerk in Texas because the deed of trust was filed of record to provide constructive notice of a secured lien creditor. The secured lien creditor was the grantee, the beneficiary, the owner, the holder of a deed of trust lien. When the secured lien creditor filed the deed of trust with the county clerk, the secured lien creditor invoked section § 192.007.

THEORY- LIEN VS. TITLE

In 2015, the Supreme court of Virginia¹⁹ explained the "deed of trust";

"First, "the essence of a mortgage or deed of trust is that it creates a lien on property to secure a debt." Interstate R.R. Co. v. Roberts, 127 Va. 688, 692, 105 S.E. 463, 464 (1920); see High Knob Assocs. v. Douglas, 249 Va. 478, 484 n. 4, 457 S.E.2d 349, 352 n. 4 (1995) ("A deed of trust merely creates a lien on property to secure a debt."). Although the Code does not define "lien creditor" for purposes of Code § 55-96(A), the term is not ambiguous. See Black's Law Dictionary, supra, at 450 (defining "lien creditor" as "[a] creditor whose claim is secured by a lien on the debtor's property; specif., someone who is (1) a creditor that has acquired a lien by attachment, levy, or the like. . . ."). To rule that Arrington is not a lien creditor would require us to ignore the fundamental nature of a deed of trust and the plain meaning of "lien creditor."

"As explained above, her deed of trust is a lien on the Property" See Interstate R.R. Co., 127 Va. at 692, 105 S.E. at 464."

It is possible Texas has not recognized that long held Texas *lien theory* was converted to *title theory* in 2004? Better yet, has anyone realized these two "theories" were inter-mixed for unjust gains, or enrichment? Even though state courts speak of lien theory; "Texas has always followed this lien theory of mortgages" - See Green v. McKay, 376 SW 3d 891 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 5th Dist. Federal courts speak of lien theory; "It is important to note, however, that Texas is a lien theory state, rather

¹⁹ DEUTSCHE BANK NAT. TRUST CO. v. Arrington, 772 SE 2d 571 - Va: Supreme Court 2015

393 than a title theory state." - See DTND Sierra Investments v. Bank Of NY Mellon Trust, 958 F. Supp. 2d

394 738 - Dist. Court (2013)

The fast track world of securitization, and investments seemingly outran the requirements of the U.C.C. and the requirements of § 192.007(a). Plaintiff contends why the word "mortgage" would blow whirlwinds of confusion within the mind? A deed of trust is a lien. It is not an instrument according to Texas courts.

399 Lien Theory states

Mortgages are between purported borrower and a purported lender, but <u>a deed of trust adds a third party</u> to the process. Besides the secured party [alleged originating lender] and the [physical] borrower, a deed of trust also involves <u>a trustee</u> [3rd party]. The trustee holds legal title to the pledged property until the debt is paid in full.

Legal vs Equitable

405 Legal Title

Legal title is a perfected ownership interest that's enforceable by law. In other words, property owners with legal title to a given parcel can take legal action against parties that attempt to infringe upon their ownership rights.

Equitable Title

Equitable title effectively confers a financial or "equitable" interest in a specific property. In other words, equitable titleholders derive indirect benefit from the property's appreciation in value.

"When a mortgagor executes a deed of trust the legal and equitable estates in the property are severed. The mortgagor retains the legal title and the mortgagee holds the equitable title." See DTND Sierra Investments v. Bank Of NY Mellon TRUST, 958 F. Supp. 2d 738 - Dist. Court (2013)

Federal courts have stated; "Under this theory, the mortgagee is not the owner of the property and is not entitled to its possession, rents, or profits. Therefore, mortgagees often assign to themselves the mortgagor's interest in all rents falling due after the date of the mortgage. In construing assignment of rents clauses, Texas follows the common law rule that an assignment of rents does not become operative until the mortgagee obtains possession of the property, impounds the rents, secures the appointment of a receiver, or takes some other similar

423 action." See Oryx Energy Co. v. Union Nat. Bank of Texas, 895 SW 2d 409 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 4th Dist.(1995)

Mortgage Theory states

As a general rule, states using mortgages require lenders to file a court action to obtain a judgment allowing them to force a sale of the property to satisfy the debt. Twenty-two states require judicial proceedings to foreclose on the pledged property.

"The mortgage is the *security instrument* in title theory." Sound familiar? § 51.0001(6)? If this were the case that Texas was converted to title theory, there would be a very big problem with all non-judicial foreclosure actions since January 1, 2004. And possibly a larger problem with home equity loans protected by the Texas Constitution.

PRIVATE vs PUBLIC INTERESTS

Currently in Texas, section § 51.0001(4)(C) allows for unknown "private" parties to conduct alleged foreclosure as non-judicial in the various counties, then conduct alleged judicial foreclosure under Article 16, section 50, Texas Constitution in the same various counties. Currently in Texas, section § 51.0001(4)(C) allows unknown "private" parties to conduct alleged litigation before a non-attorney required position in the lowest court of the state for real property valued over \$10,000. This is why justice court is the avenue for unknown parties alleging "possession", You are not required to be an attorney to be a JP. This appears to be a very dangerous court for legitimate homeowners.

Since (78R) H.B. 1493 was enacted in 2004, lien theory is in a state of suspension as section § 51.0001(1) seemingly replaced the 3rd party holding legal title, a "trustee", and allowed a private person to become the new 3rd party within the property code, thus allowing personal property to become superior private rights over the public protections of real property rights in Texas.

Somehow the section § 51.0001(1) scenario for registered "beneficial interest" is misconceived, or possibly misrepresented? Based upon the facts of what a beneficial interest is; "A beneficial interest is "that right which a person has in a contract made with another" (third) person.²⁰ The typical example is "if A makes a contract with B that A will pay C a certain sum of money, B has the legal interest in the contract, and C the beneficial interest."

²⁰ The 'Lectric Law Library's Lexicon

²¹ The 'Lectric Law Library's Lexicon

The aforementioned meaning of "beneficial interest" does not mesh with a deed of trust lien for purpose of section § 51.0001(1) other than to allude to private members conducting personal property transactions where member "A" made a contract with member "B", that member "A" would pay member "C" a certain sum of money, meaning member "B" would have a *legal interest* in the contract, and member "C" has the *beneficial interest* in the contract. Due to section § 51.0001(4)(C) either member "B", or member "C" can lawfully advance upon real property using the contract agreed upon by member "A" and member "B" with member "C" claiming a beneficial interest.

For what ever the reasoning was, Texas legislatures have attempted to regulate this new way of doing business, and have continued to violate constitutions of Texas and Federal, and have basically rewritten law to violate commercial law across the globe.

As this memorandum analyzes the obscure development of Constitutional violations caused by this new set of rules apparently obscure from the courts of Texas. The crime began when the house bill was enacted in 2004, and the crime has continued as a supported enactment all the way through the current Texas Legislature in 2016. That time frame from Jan, 2004 through November, 2016 provides an estimated amount of time for fraudulent acts to take place in Texas, whether those acts are conducted by filing fraudulent instruments, or filing fraudulent documents within a court of law to gain an unfair advantage in a court of law.

Due to section § 51.0001(4)(C) many other Texas laws are affected, such as the Tax code, Bankruptcy code, Chapter 24, Texas Property Code, Chapters 3, 5, 7,8,& 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code, Texas Uniform Electronic Transactions act, Home Equity law, to name a few.

Thus § 51.0001(1) provides the evidence that electronic *intangible* commerce may be defined as the ability to conduct private business via electronic network and to use the internet as a commercial medium.²² Such electronic activity cannot be overlooked when determining the validity of a statute governing real property liens, not chapter 9 instruments, nor personal property. Clarity was never provided as promised within the sponsors bill. Section 51.0001 provides for ambiguity within the statute, else as applied, such certain section has continually violated the constitutions since January 1, 2004, and all perpetrators are in violation of the various penal codes of Texas.

^{2 22} Electronic commerce: structures and Issues (1996), by Vladimir Zwass, International Journal of

³ Electronic Commerce

CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE

Plaintiffs' believe the Texas Legislature's intent was to protect property rights across Texas, and similar statutes have been enacted in most of the United States to ensure this protection. The Texas Legislature's apparent intent in 2003 to amend Chapter 51, Texas Property Code was purportedly intended to allow a mortgage servicer to administer foreclosure of property on behalf of a mortgagee.

Plaintiff does not believe the Legislature's intent was to create a constitutional violation against the citizens, or the political subdivisions of Texas by depriving such citizens a right to confrontation, a right to discover, or a right to protect real property from invading foreign entities use of § 51.0001(4) (C).

Plaintiff does not believe the courts in Texas are corrupt, just seemingly misled, and faithfully following the law the Texas Legislature enacted. The Eleventh Amendment does not protect state officials from claims for prospective relief when it is alleged that state officials acted in violation of federal law. *Warnock v. Pecos County, Texas.*, 88 F3d 341 (5th Cir. 1996)

The additional importance of this matter also regards the overbroad use of § 51.0001(4)(C) by various parties who are seemingly in contempt of court by obstructing the proper administration of justice, and committing crimes by creating fraudulent records and fraud upon the courts. The essence of contempt is that the conduct obstructs, or tends to obstruct, the proper administration of justice, *Ex parte Salfen*, 618 SW 2d 766 - Tex: Court of Criminal Appeals 1981 at 770.

The State of Texas must realize the magnitude of what a simple change to chapter 51 in essence violated any litigants ability to utilize the Texas court system in a fair manor, and obtaining justice deserved.

In 1968 the U.S. Supreme Court stated; "There can be no sanction or penalty imposed upon one because of his exercise of constitutional rights." Sherar v. Cullen, 481 F. 2d 946 (1973). "The claim and exercise of a Constitution right cannot be converted into a crime"... "a denial of them would be a denial of due process of law". Simmons v. United States, 390 U.S. 377 (1968)

In Boyd v. United, 116 U.S. 616 at 635 (1886), Justice Bradley, stated "It may be that it is the obnoxious thing in its mildest form; but illegitimate and unconstitutional practices get their first footing in that way; namely, by silent approaches and slight deviations from legal modes of procedure. This can only be obviated by adhering to the rule that constitutional provisions for the security of

persons and property should be liberally construed. A close and literal construction deprives them of half their efficacy, and leads to gradual depreciation of the right, as if it consisted more in sound than in substance. It is the duty of the Courts to be watchful for the Constitutional Rights of the Citizens, and against any stealthy encroachments thereon. Their motto should be Obsta Principiis."

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The importance of this matter regards conflicting opinions in various courts, conflicting opinions of laws, regarding statutes, codes, and the Texas Constitution which these entities by failing to comply with Texas Property Code and relative statutes are creating confusion in Texas courts.

"It will be an evil day for American Liberty if the theory of a government outside supreme law finds lodgement in our constitutional jurisprudence. No higher duty rests upon this Court than to exert its full authority to prevent all violations of the principles of the Constitution." Downs v. Bidwell, 182 U.S. 244 (1901)

The purpose of the Statute of Frauds is to remove uncertainty, prevent fraudulent claims, and reduce litigation. *Givens v. Dougherty*, 671 SW 2d 877 - Tex: Supreme Court 1984

CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTION

520 It has been so stated that an application of a state statute that would abridge the Texas Constitution, that statute must yield. "The constitution of Texas is the fundamental law of the state; 521 'the supreme law of the law.'" Byers v. Patterson, 219 S.W.3d 514, 521 (Tex. App.—Tyler 2007, no pet.) 522 523 (quoting Oakley v. State, 830 S.W.2d 107, 109 (Tex. Crim. App. 1992)). We must presume the constitutionality of an act of the Legislature. Texas Pub. Bldg. Auth. v. Mattox, 686 S.W.2d 924, 927 524 525 (Tex. 1985); Salomon v. Lesay, 369 S.W.3d 540, 556–57 (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] 2012, no pet.). However, when the proposed application of a state statute would abridge the Texas Constitution, the 526 527 statute must yield. See Weiner v. Wasson, 900 S.W.2d 316, 318-19 (Tex.1995); Salomon, 369 S.W.3d at 528 556–57". "In enacting a statute, it is presumed that compliance with the constitutions of this state and 529 the United States is intended." TEX.GOV'T CODE § 311.021(1) (West 2013)." "The Code 530 Construction Act also requires that we consider the public interest over any private interest. See TEX. 531 GOV'T CODE § 311.021(5) ("In enacting a statute, it is presumed that . . . public interest is favored 532 over any private interest."). See IN RE EXPUNCTION, Court of Appeals, The First District of Texas, NO. 01-15-00164-CV 533

According to a Texas Supreme Court opinion, "The legislature itself has commanded that, "[i]n interpreting a statute, a court shall diligently attempt to ascertain legislative intent and shall consider at all times the old law, the evil, and the remedy." Tex.Gov't Code Ann. § 312.005 (Vernon 1988)... We conclude instead that the purpose of recording statutes is to protect". See Ojeda de Toca v. Wise, 748 SW 2d 449 - Tex: Supreme Court 1988. Plaintiff notices the court that the Texas Local Government Code, chapter 192 should be a recording statute to protect a remedy according to the Texas Supreme Court.

Pursuant to a supreme court opinion, would the courts be in violation of the law if the court fail to follow such law as 51.0001(4)(C), though the very same law allows for fraudulent activity. "When violations of law slip uncorrected through the cracks of judicial review (as when a case is dismissed as moot), it may seem that the beneficiaries of such violations receive a free pass... "The pass is not free. It comes at the expense of the Rule of Law. Here, the Legislature's notice mandate is unsubtle and unequivocal, as was the trial court's failure to follow it". See - Supreme Court of Texas No. 15-0139 In Re STATE OF TEXAS, Relator

According to the supreme courts opinion, and in this instant case, what slips uncorrected, the invited fraudulent activity, or the courts following a law which invites fraudulent activity?

In essence, 51.0001(4)(C) seemingly created a bill of attainder which allows private parties to gain unjust enrichment, while the homeowner is discriminated in a Texas court as being a dead beat homeowner who failed to pay an obligation and is trying to get avoid paying their debt. This is an inequality to allow one person such as § 51.0001(1) to obstruct justice while another person such as a homeowner is left bare and unprotected by the laws of the state simply due to 51.0001(4)(C).

DUTY TO DEFEND

The Attorney General's role dates back to England and has progressively continued to this day. The Attorney General has a duty to defend the statutes of the state. The Attorney General has a duty to defend the statutes of the state he believes is constitutional. However, does the Attorney General have a duty to defend the statutes of the state he believes is unconstitutional?

SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Although state officers typically act on the state's authority while carrying out their official duties, private individuals can sue state officers to stop them from violating federal law. In Ex parte Young, the U.S. Supreme Court held that the Eleventh Amendment did not bar suits alleging that a state official's actions to enforce state law violated the U.S. Constitution, because such suits are against the officer rather than the state. [209 U.S. 123, 159-60 (1908).] The Court reasoned that an unconstitutional state statute is void, and therefore a state officer enforcing an unconstitutional act "comes into conflict with the superiority of the [U.S.] Constitution, and is in that case stripped of his official or representative character and is subjected . . . to the consequences of his individual conduct." [Id.]²³

NO IMMUNITY

"No man [or woman] in this country is so high that he is above the law. No officer of the law may set that law at defiance with impunity. All the officers of the government from the highest to the lowest, are creatures of the law, and are bound to obey it." *Butz v. Economou*, 98 S. Ct. 2894 (1978); *United States v. Lee*, 106 U.S. at 220, 1 S. Ct. at 261 (1882). Acts in excess of judicial authority constitutes misconduct, particularly where a judge deliberately disregards the requirements of fairness and due process. *Cannon v. Commission on Judicial Qualifications*, (1975) 14 Cal. 3D 678, 694 "Crime is contagious. If the Government becomes a lawbreaker, it breeds contempt for law; it invites every man to become a law unto himself; it invites anarchy." *Olmstad v. United States*, (1928) 277 U.S. 438

CORPORATIONS ARE PERSONS

The Fourteenth Amendment Due Process Clause guarantees that states shall not deprive a "person" of "life, liberty, or property, without due process of law." U.S. CONST. amend. XIV, § 1. The Fourteenth Amendment Due Process Clause does not, however, specify what process is "due" to a person by a state under any given circumstance. *Morrissey v. Brewer*, 408 U.S. 471, 481 (1972). That depends on "the precise nature of the government function involved as well as of the private interest that has been affected by governmental action." *Cafeteria & Rest. Workers Union, Local 473 v. McElroy*, 367 U.S. 886, 895 (1961). Footnote; ^[2]" The Texas Constitution, in contrast to the United States Constitution, guarantees "due course of law." TEX. CONST. Art. 1, § 19."..."..."and thus like

²³ Law of Sovereign Immunity, WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

587 corporations are treated as "persons" for purposes of the Fourteenth Amendment Due Process Clause."

588 See *IN RE MI LLC*, Tex: Supreme Court 2016

As a general rule, the actions of a corporate agent on behalf of the corporation are deemed the corporation's acts. *Holloway v. Skinner* 898 SW 2d 793 - Tex Supreme Court 1995

To allow section § 51.0001(4)(C) to continue the court should ponder the *person* problem at hand. Is it constitutional to allow one *person* to deprive another *person* of its guaranteed rights? For instance, as the code is written, and as recently reflected in various political subdivisions, certain challenges were laid bare to determine possible fraudulent filings, or missing, intervening assignments.

Because of a seemingly unconstitutional law, the political subdivisions are burdened with trying to defend the constitutional law for that local government only to be defeated with the unconstitutional law which prevails for undeserving parties. In essence, a free pass to commit a crime. This inequality seemingly violates the 14th Amendment.

Hypothetically speaking, is it advantageous to allow for an unconstitutional law that allows a foreign person, such as a foreign corporation, to use fraudulent acts to prevail over a local political subdivision, a corporation of the state, a person? Is it constitutional to allow a foreign corporation to deprive a local political subdivision of revenue because of an unconstitutional statute that allows for fraudulent acts, such as provided for in § 51.0001(4)(C) to bypass such enacted law as § 192.007(a) Tex. Loc. Govt. Code?

The false claims act provides liability for any person (i) who "knowingly presents, or cause to be presented, a false or fraudulent claim for payment or approval", or (ii) who "knowingly make, uses, or causes to be made or used, a false record or statement material to a false or fraudulent claim". 31 U.S.C. § 3729(a)(1)(A)-(B).

Generally, an act is false, misleading, or deceptive if it has the capacity to deceive an "ignorant, unthinking, or credulous person." *Doe v. Boys Clubs of Greater Dallas, Inc.*, 907 SW 2d 472 - Tex: Supreme Court 1995; citing *Spradling v. Williams*, 566 SW 2d 561 - Tex: Supreme Court 1978

INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPALS

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

It would be most important that this statute not be construed as constitutional as such misconception could upset the balance of commercial trade across the globe as the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law has defined the UNCITRAL Model Law on Secured Transactions (the "Model Law") which deals with "security interests" in all types of tangible and intangible movable property, such as goods, receivables, bank accounts, negotiable instruments, negotiable documents, non-intermediated securities and intellectual property with few exceptions, such as intermediated securities. Converting real property to personal property as section §51.0001 reflects a "taking of power" from the world of commercial transactions and places the penal code into hibernation while criminal activity takes place. Real property is not movable.

This court should take into consideration that the existing principles used by the courts provide an inappropriate legal framework for utilizing chapter 51, Tex. Prop. Code, while purported parties are attempting to claim real property with personal property via Chapter 2, or via Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce code, because as applied the current practice seemingly appears unconstitutional, if not criminal.

The forgotten item appears to be "holder of the debt", the note holder as once known, and as of 2004, seemingly appeared more focused on the "holder of the security instrument". Whether E-SIGN, Texas UETA, or Chapter 9, Secured Transactions apply, these type transactions are being conducted in commerce as transactions of personal property mortgages, not real estate mortgages. Chapter 9 does not govern security interests in liens. See section § 9.109(d)(2); § 9.109(d)(11); also See *Wesley Eugene Perkins v. Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation*—Appeal from 261st District Court of Travis County16 (2006). Nonetheless, section § 51.0001(4)(C) is allegedly allowing personal property to be considered as real property. From this sections scenario, the UCC 9 creditor is bypassing the account debtor and attempting threat on a real property borrower.

PROPERTY INTERESTS ARE PROTECTED BY STATE LAW

Since the enactment of (78R) HB 1493 enacted in 2004, age old real property case law after real property case law regarding liens are being overturned to accommodate the illegal conduct allowed by § 51.0001(4)(C) simply because it is considered law. And because of such law the courts are bound,

else failure to follow the law. Plaintiff provides only a few past cases regarding paper rights, personal property rights, liens, and security interests. There are many, but these are a few.

Property Interest in General

Property interests are created and defined by state law. See *Butner v. United States* at 55, 440 US 48 - Supreme Court 1979

Debt Secured by a Lien

A lien is not an instrument. *Max Duncan Family Investments, Ltd. v. NTFN INC.*, 267 SW 3d 447 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 5th Chapter 9 of the UCC does not apply to creation or transfer or interest in or lien on real property. See 9.109(d)(11), See *Wesley Eugene Perkins v. Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation*--Appeal from 261st District Court of Travis County Conversion is the wrongful exercise of dominion and control over another's property in denial of or inconsistent with the property owner's rights. *Edlund v. Bounds*, 842 SW 2d 719 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 5th Dist. 1992, citing *Tripp Village Joint Venture v. MBank Lincoln Centre*, NA, 774 SW 2d 746 - Tex: Court of Appeals

The existence of the collateral would be immaterial to a suit for judgment on the debt. *Garza v. Allied Finance Co.*, 566 S.W.2d 57, 62 (Tex.Civ.App.-Corpus Christi 1978, no writ). Texas follows the lien theory of mortgages. Under this theory the mortgagee is not the owner of the property and is not entitled to its possession, rentals or profits. See *Taylor v. Brennan*, 621 SW 2d 592 - Tex: Supreme Court 1981

A mortgage is governed by the same rules of interpretation which apply to contracts. See generally 55 Am.Jur.2d Mortgages § 175 (1971). Thus, the issue of the validity of the clause before the court should be resolved by an application of contract principles. Such an approach recognizes the parties' right to contract with regard to their property as they see fit, so long as the contract does not offend public policy and is not illegal. Sonny Arnold, Inc. v. Sentry Sav. Ass'n, 633 SW 2d 811 - Tex: Supreme Court 1982 citing; Curlee v. Walker, 244 SW 497 – (1922)

Where there is a debt secured by a note, in turn secured by a lien, the note and the lien constitute separate obligations so that suit may be had on the note to obtain a personal

judgment, and later suit may be had on the lien if the personal judgment is not satisfied. *Taylor* v. *Rigby*, 574 S.W.2d 833 (Tex.Civ.App.-Tyler 1978, writ ref'd n.r.e.).

"It is well established in Texas that the rules of construction governing contracts are applicable to notes, and a note must be constructed as a whole.", *Mathis v. DCR MORTG. III SUB I, LLC*, 389 SW 3d 494 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 8th Dist. 2012, citing *Edlund v. Bounds*, 842 SW 2d 719 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 5th Dist. 1992, citing *Coker v. Coker*, 650 SW 2d 391 - Tex: Supreme Court 1983

Real estate contracts are not governed by the UCC. See *Wesley Eugene Perkins v. Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation*--Appeal from 261st District Court of Travis County16 (2006). The security no longer existed would be no defense to the note.

In Komet v. Graves, the court cited "And, courts will not enforce an illegal contract, even if the parties don't object. Id. Enforcement of an illegal contract violates public policy". Komet v. Graves, 40 SW 3d 596 - Tex: Court of Appeals, 4th Dist. 2001.

Creation of Security Interest in personal property

Generally, the test for creation of a security interest is whether the transaction was intended to have the effect as security, because parties must have intended that their transaction fall within the scope of article 9 of the UCC. See *Superior Packing, Inc. v. Worldwide Leasing & Financing, Inc.*, 880 SW 2d 67 - Tex: Court of Appeals (1994)

A "security interest" in personal property means an interest which secures payment or performance of an obligation. Sec. 1.201(37). "Security Agreement" is defined in Section 9.105(a)(8) as being the bargain of the parties in fact. The requirement that there must be an agreement, not only in connection with Sec. 1.201(3), but also in connection with Sec. 9.203(a) (2) which requires that security agreements be written. See *Mosley v. Dallas Entertainment Company, Inc.*, 496 SW 2d 237 - Tex: Court of Civil Appeals, 12th (1973)

"The code makes no provision for a naked financing statement to be enforced as a security agreement. It merely gives notice of the existence of a security interest but in itself does not create a security interest". *Anderson, Uniform Commercial Code, 2d Ed.* sec. 9-402:4.

See Mosley v. Dallas Entertainment Company, Inc., 496 SW 2d 237 - Tex: Court of Civil Appeals, 12th (1973)

698 FORGOTTEN KEY

Section § 51.0001(4)(C) "(4)" Mortgagee" means (C) if the security interest has been assigned of record, the last person to whom the security interest has been assigned of record". For the court to overlook the reason for the lien would be like overlooking the reason why the Sun rises in the East.

Section § 51.0001(4)(C) allows for fraudulent conduct, such as allowing for documents seemingly created when such documents could not be found, of which can be supported on record at the Texas Supreme Court regarding the Meeting of the Task Force on Judicial Foreclosure Rules, November 7, 2007. The court cannot turn a blind eye to what was declared in that public meeting. It was admitted in the meeting that 97% of the documents proving the owner and holder of the note was an impossibility, and that documents were made up. Judges were in attendance of that meeting as noted in the court reporters record of, D'Lois L. Jones, CSR, (512) 751-2618, dee2jones@hwtx.com. For Texas to allow unconstitutional law to allow documents to be made up is a disaster to the economy of Texas. Texas has seemingly allowed private rights to be superior to public rights by providing section § 51.0001(4)(C) in the Texas Property Code. In this instant suit, the contract is not illegal but dead. § 51.0001(4)(C) as written raises the dead.

To allow Section § 51.0001(4)(C) to continue it unconstitutional path, age old law regarding the note which is supposed to be involved in foreclosure actions, to simply fade away with the new an improved way to evade criminal law by using the Texas Property Code, by simply making claim to a deed of trust while multiple mystery parties involved are conducting hidden transactions unrecorded and against statutory law of the local jurisdiction requiring each intervention to be recorded.

In 2004, in Leaving v Mills, the court sad; "In this case, to prove his entitlement to summary judgment as the holder of the Leavings' note, Mills had the burden of proving, as a matter of law, that the retail installment contract executed by the Leavings was the "note" referenced in each step of the chain of title, that the note was a negotiable instrument made payable to Solar Marketing, and that, by successive transfers of possession and indorsement, he became the holder of the note and was entitled to enforce it. To prove his right to foreclose on collateral and obtain a deficiency judgment as the owner of the note, Mills was required to prove the note and an unbroken chain of assignments

transferring to him the right to enforce the note according to its terms. In either case, he was required to prove an unbroken chain of title. We first determine the nature of the note and of Mills' claim of title." See Leavings v. Mills, 175 SW 3d 301 - Tex: Court of Appeals 2004. According to section § 51.0001(4)(C) this "proving of unbroken assignments" is apparently not a necessity anymore as this section allows the actor to bypass local jurisdiction, yet the debt is the main focus of any attempted foreclosure, and then the deed of trust is easily referenced by criminal actors conducting fraud upon the court to gain unjust enrichment.

Allowing section § 51.0001(4)(C) to continue its course as a force of law seemingly takes away the requirements of Chapter 3, Negotiable instruments. Allowing a party to conduct fraudulent activity and evade the requirements of chapter 3, is unsound in commercial transactions related to the sales of real property yet it is seemingly legal due to section § 51.0001(4)(C). This section violates rights of other enacted, and purported constitutional Texas law.

TEXAS IS AFFECTED

Plaintiff contends the utmost respect to the Court and holds Texas dear, and this is why it is important to Plaintiff to stress to the Court that no matter what the outcome of this case may be, especially if in favor of the statute it is not just a plaintiff whom will be deprived, it will be many Texans whom have lost defending a cause that holds merit and being lawfully deprived by privateer corporations and their counsels whom lied, cheated and stole for their ill gotten gains due to 51.0001(4) (C). Texas is affected. The United States is affected. The globe is affected.

Section §192.007, Texas Local Government Code governs the perfection of a lien. Chapter 192, § section 007, governs the perfection for title to real property, whereas commercial transactions rely on the Uniform Commercial Code to govern perfection of a deed of trust lien. The problem with that theory is liens are excluded from the UCC. See § 9.109(d)(2). Texas is a lien theory state.

Actions related to a residential mortgage loan require strict attention to the process of negotiation of a negotiable instrument and further actions are required to perfect the security instrument purportedly attached to the paper promissory note, per Texas Local Government Code chapter 192, section.007.

Such actions related to the secured real estate mortgage failed to take place for the secured debt to meet those strict requirements for perfection of the paper promissory note and the subsequent eligible recordation to meet the strict requirements of section § 192.007(a).

Any action to enforce an indebtedness is an action in equity, as any action to enforce a deed of trust is an action in law. An action to enforce the note without proof a claimant met burden for the requirements for perfection of the deed of trust, the claimant cannot use a court of equity.

THE QUESTION BEFORE THE COURT

Can one section of Texas law such as section § 51.0001(4)(C)²⁴ deprive another law of Texas its right to be enforced as a constitutionally established law within its political subdivision, such as section § 192.007²⁵; or deprive any other person; human, or corporation, of equally protected rights guaranteed by the Texas Constitution, or the Federal Constitution, or any other U.S. law?

763 CONCLUSION

In conclusion and for the above stated reasons, the Court should grant Plaintiffs' Petition for Declaratory Judgment and declare section § 51.0001(4)(C) unconstitutional as applied.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

- I hereby certify that on February 8, 2017 a true and correct copy of Plaintiffs' Petition for Declaratory
- Judgment was delivered via efile and the information below is informational as if the old laws were
- still appliacable, parties of this case are listed below via Service of Process, Secretary of State.
- 777 Gregory Wayne "Greg" Abbott in his official capacity as Governor of Texas U.S. Mail Defendant
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809	Pursuant to chapter 132(d), Texas Civil Remedies and Practices, I, James A McGuire provides this
810	unsworn declaration. "My name is James A McGuire, my date of birth is November 10,1952, and my
811	address is 1717 Grassy View Drive Fort Worth, Texas 76177 and United States.
812	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. executed in Tarrant County,
813	State of Texas, on this February 8 th of the year 2017.
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