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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

SULLIVAN PROPERTIES, L.P.,
Plaintiff,

-againstBARIS DINCER,

Defendant.

STATE OF NEW YORK

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DANIEL RISPOLI, being duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. I reside in apartment 4BR at 111 Sullivan Street, New York, New York (the "Building"). I am familiar with the defendant, Baris Dincer ("Defendant"), the tenant who resides in apartment 2BR in the Building.
- 2. Although the Temporary Restraining Order issued by the Court on June 23, 2020 only restricted Defendant's behaviors to not doing any damage to the building, not threatening violence to other building residents and not throwing liquids, Defendant has continued on a rampage of behaviors that have been willful, disrespectful and lacking any common decency towards his fellow neighbor, namely me.
- 3. Moreover, since the Defendant is now the only other person besides myself residing in the building, there is no other person who could be causing all of the noise, smoke and other disruptions that are occurring in the building on an almost daily basis.
- 4. On June 24, 2020 at 6:54 pm, I emailed the building superintendent, as well as Plaintiff's counsel, regarding loud hammering taking place in Defendant's apartment. A copy of that email is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

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5. On June 25, 2020 at 10:07 pm, I emailed the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel regarding the smell of cigarette smoke permeating into my apartment. A copy

of that email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 2.

6. On June 27, 2020, I sent three (3) separate emails to the building superintendent

and Plaintiff's counsel. The first email, a copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit 3, was sent

at 1:15 pm, advising of the smell of cigarette smoke in my apartment. The second email, a copy

of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit 4, was sent at 8:20 pm, advising of the drilling and loud

music emanating from Defendant's apartment. The third email, a copy of which is annexed

hereto as Exhibit 5, was sent at 11:21 pm, advising of the smell of cigarette smoke in my

apartment.

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7. On June 28, 2020 at 11:51 am, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, regarding the smell of cigarette smoke in my apartment. A copy of the email

is annexed hereto as Exhibit 6.

8. On June 29, 2020 at 8:36 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, regarding the loud hammering emanating from Defendant's apartment that

could be heard in my apartment. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 7.

9. On June 30, 2020 at 7:22 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, again regarding the loud hammering emanating from Defendant's apartment

that could be heard in my apartment. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 8.

10. On Wednesday, July 1, 2020, I happened to walk into the Building at the same

time as the Defendant. He repeatedly asked me where I lived. I did not want to tell him, so I told

him that I live 'upstairs'. He responded "oh are you apartment 4?"

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11. Then, on July 2, 2020 I received a strange note from Defendant, a copy of which

is annexed hereto as Exhibit 9. Between Defendant repeatedly asking me which apartment I live

in, coupled with the disturbing note attempting to lure me into his apartment, I feared for my

safety and barricaded myself in my apartment with furniture blocking the door, something I have

had to do on many occasions as a result of Defendants erratic and frightening behavior. I

advised the Plaintiff that I felt that Defendant was targeting me and that my living conditions

continued to be inhumane. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 10**.

That same evening, Defendant took my work boots – which were outside the door 12.

of my apartment - and threw them in an inaccessible alley outside of the building.

Notwithstanding several attempts, I was unable to retrieve my work boots, and was required to

purchase a new pair, which cost me \$99.99. This was particularly distressing to me since

Defendant lives two (2) floors below my apartment and seeing as I am the only other resident in

the building aside from the Defendant, he has absolutely no reason to be on the fourth (4th) floor

where my apartment is located. I notified the building and again asked them to please get

Defendant out of the building as he was putting my own safety in jeopardy. A copy of the email

is annexed hereto as Exhibit 11.

On July 3rd I emailed the building superintendent asking whether any of the wires 13.

were cut as the internet in my apartment was no longer working. I received an email from the

building's super intendant advising that Defendant cut the wires, which caused an interruption to

the internet. I was instructed to "call the Wifi company" to have it fixed. A copy of the email

exchange is annexed hereto as Exhibit 12. The internet was not restored until July 10th, despite

the fact that I had to continue to pay for the service as a result of Defendant's actions.

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14. On July 6, 2020 at 6:58 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and Plaintiff's counsel, regarding the loud hammering emanating from Defendant's apartment that

could be heard in my apartment. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 13.

15. On July 8, 2020 at 8:37 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, regarding the odor from cigarette smoke permeating my apartment. A copy of

the email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 14.

16. On July 9, 2020 at 10:39 pm, I sent another email to the building superintendent

and Plaintiff's counsel, regarding the continued odor from cigarette smoke permeating my

apartment. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 15.

17. On July 10, 2020 at 8:38 am, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, regarding the smell of cigarette smoke permeating the stairway in the

building. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 16**.

18. Later in the evening on July 10, 2020, I sent two (2) more emails to the building

superintendent and Plaintiff's counsel, one at 10:19 pm, about hammering and drilling in

Defendant's apartment, and another at 10:29 pm, about Defendant playing loud music in his

apartment that was audible in my apartment. A copy of these two (2) emails are annexed hereto

as Exhibits 17 and 18. As documented in these emails, Defendant's conduct seemed more

aggressive, leaving me to again feel unsafe with no options in my own home. I feared that if the

police were called and did nothing, that Defendant would retaliate.

19. On July 13, 2020, I sent three emails to the building superintendent and Plaintiff's

counsel; one at 5:51 pm and one at 6:03 pm, both regarding the drilling taking place in

Defendant's apartment; and a third one at 6:24 pm regarding the smell of smoke in my

apartment. A copy of these emails are annexed hereto as Exhibits 19, 20 and 21.

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20. On July 16, 2020 at 8:27 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, regarding Defendant repeatedly slamming his door and the smell of smoke

emanating from his apartment and into my apartment. A copy of this email is annexed hereto as

Exhibit 22.

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21. On July 17, 2020 at 11:47 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, regarding a litany of noise and disturbing behaviors taking place and

emanating from Defendant's apartment, including Defendant repeatedly slamming his door,

hammering and noise from music or a running machine that was causing the walls in my

apartment to vibrate. I informed the building that Defendant had also been making these

disturbing noises the night before. A copy of this email is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 23**.

22. On July 18, 2020, I called 311 to report the disturbance caused by Defendant's

repeated slamming of his door, hammering and use of the alarming machine. I sent an email to

the building superintendent and Plaintiff's counsel at 12:16 am advising of same. A copy of the

email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 24. I received a notification that the New York Police

Department had been dispatched to the building and responded to the complaint, taking action to

fix the condition. I forwarded a copy of the notification to the building, a copy of which is

annexed hereto as **Exhibit 25**. However, as I feared, I was informed by the building's

superintendent that video surveillance showed the police walk by the exterior of the building,

made no effort to enter, and then left without taking any action or intervention. A copy of that

correspondence is annexed hereto as Exhibit 26.

On Saturday, July 18th at 6:58 am, I notified the building that Defendant was 23.

slamming his door over and over again all morning. The noise was so loud it prevented me from

being able to sleep on my day off. A copy of this email is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 27**.

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24. On July 19, 2020, I sent two (2) emails to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel advising of the hammering and use of power tools in Defendant's apartment.

A copy of the emails are annexed hereto as Exhibit 28 and 29.

25. On July 22, 2020, I sent an email to the building superintendent and Plaintiff's

counsel advising of the drilling and use of power tools in Defendant's apartment, causing loud

noise and vibrations that were felt in my apartment two floors above. A copy of the email is

annexed hereto as Exhibit 30.

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26. On July 25, 2020, I received the extremely disturbing email attached hereto as

Exhibit 31 from Defendant. In this email, Defendant inaccurately states that I must either be

extremely sensitive to noise or have been coerced by the building. He admits to causing me

undue stress, but asks me not to yell down and request that he be quiet. Not only am I not

sensitive to noise, but I have only yelled down asking Defendant to stop his behavior on one

occasion back in April. I have been more than patient despite Defendant's persistent disruptive

and troublesome behavior. I am also well aware that it is Defendant's behavior that has forced

numerous tenants to vacate the building – either temporarily or permanently. His

communication with me once again made me feel unsafe in my own home, as I have tried to

limit my contact with Defendant out of fear for my own personal safety, and a result I have had

to retain my own personal attorney.

On July 27, 2020 at 10:18 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent as 27.

well as Plaintiff's counsel, regarding Defendant blasting his music at unreasonable volumes and

slamming his door with such force that it causes my apartment and the shelving inside of my

apartment to shake. I notified the building that this conduct had started at 3:00 am and continued

until 10:18 pm that evening. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 32**.

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28. On July 28, 2020 at 12:03 am, I recommended to the building that they check the

security cameras as Defendant was in the courtyard making a lot of noise which was not only

terrifying but sounded destructive. A copy of the email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 33. I also

called 311 and made another complaint, however, the police never came. I was later advised by

the building superintendent that Defendant had apparently locked himself out of his apartment,

and had therefore climbed the fire escape and kicked in his own window.

29. That same night on July 28, 2020 at 12:12 am, I sent a further email to the

building superintendent and Plaintiff's counsel, advising that Defendant was using a drill or

some other power tools in his apartment, which was audible in my apartment. A copy of the

email is annexed hereto as Exhibit 33.

30. On July 30, 2020 at 4:38 pm, I sent an email to the building superintendent and

Plaintiff's counsel, advising that Defendant was once again playing his music at an unnecessarily

high volume such that the walls and floors of my apartment were vibrating. A copy of the email

is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 34**.

31. I was away for the weekend and upon my return to my apartment, Defendant was

playing music in his apartment at an excessively high volume. The email that I sent to the

building superintendent and Plaintiff's counsel is annexed hereto as **Exhibit 35** and once again

document how awful my living situation has been for the past 5+ months.

I would not say that I am unreasonably sensitive to noise or smells, but the 32.

constant banging, hammering, use of power tools and blasting music by Defendant in his

apartment – all of which can be heard in my apartment and which disturbs me and oftentimes

wakes me up or causes me to be unable to sleep – is unacceptable. I deserve to quietly enjoy my

apartment and have been unable to do so for months as a result of Defendant's behavior.

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Additionally, Defendant's erratic behavior coupled with the distressing letters he has sent me have made me live in constant fear for my own well-being. Defendant's actions have had a grave effect on my mental health, have cost me considerable money, and have robbed me of my sense

33. I implore this Court to issue a restraining order restricting Defendant's behavior so that we can both live peacefully.

DANIEL RISPOLI

Notary Public

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NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Now York

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